

Dr. **Baker** recognized and congratulated the following 2009-2010 PEP Grant winners:

A "Dickens" of a Holiday Celebration - Laura Young (Algood Middle)

From the Roots of Democracy to the Branches of the Government – Beverly Calfee (Northeast Elementary)

Marvelous Manners - Margie Cavender (PCMS)

Passport to the Past – Karen Cox, Misty Briggs, Karen Peters, Stephanie Jando (PCMS)

Floating Down the Rivers of the U.S. - Cathy Jones, Jason Baugh, Angela Dyer, Paula Goehring (PCMS)

Authenticating Authors - Molly Lovell (PCMS)

Broadcast News - Janis Nunnally (CMS)

- Recognized and congratulated the following 2008-2009 Retired Teachers:

Elizabeth Ann Avriett	UHS	23 years of experience
Carol Buckner	CHS	13 years of experience
Peggy Cho	CHS	15 years of experience
Minnie Jo Covington	UES	35 years of experience
Michael Goolsby	CO	34 years of experience
William Greer	ATMS	34 years of experience
Stan Kinslow	CHS	16 years of experience
Janet Kuykendall	UHS	17 years of experience
Sarah Pierce	AHS	30 years of experience
Susan Ray	CES	23 years of experience
Marcia Spurlock	ATMS	30 years of experience

- Noted the following teachers which had passed away this year:
Stan Kinslow, Diana Morgenthaler, and Suzy Hickey
- Recognized and congratulated Ed Wheaton, Sycamore Elementary Principal, as one of nine finalists for the 2010 Tennessee Department of Education Principal of the Year
- Recognized and stated appreciation of the UHS Environmental Committee's county wide energy conservation service project to provide every school with free stickers to be placed above all light switches to encourage students,

faculty, and staff to turn off the lights when they are not in use or when they leave a room.

- Noted Energy Savings Report for July and August and stated last year the energy savings winner won Promethean Boards for their school but this year with every kilowatt hour saved a percentage of that savings would go back to each school

The Board recognized, congratulated, and presented the *I Make A Difference Award* to Dr. Kathleen Airhart for her selection as the *State Level Director of the Year for the School Health Leadership Award* and for her support and commitment to the Coordinated School Health Program.

Mr. **McCORMICK** stated the Board would address approval of the Minutes.

ACTION: Mr. **BROWN** made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting – Thursday, September 3, 2009, @ 5:00 PM, as submitted. Dr. **JORDAN** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **McCORMICK** stated the Board would address approval of the Consent Agenda, as submitted and amended.

ACTION: (I.A.1. – I.F.5.) Mr. **BROWN** made a motion to approve the following Consent Agenda, as amended, per the recommendation of the Director of Schools:

I. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Purchases/Payments

1. Consider approval of payment to Apple, Inc. – Chicago, Illinois in the amount of \$177,206.00 for second payment of three payments for the Master Lease Purchase Agreement No. E09082510 for 400 teacher laptops to be paid from 141-71100-722, Instructional Equipment.
2. Consider approval of the purchase of following four (4) teacher Mac book laptops at \$1,149 each in the total amount of \$4,596:
 - a. Mac book for the graduation coach to be paid from 142-72210-790-10S (**ARRA**)
 - b. Mac book for Safe and Drug Free Coordinator to be paid from 142-72210-790-411

- c. Mac book for RTI Consulting teacher to be paid from 142-72210-790-101
 - d. Mac book for ESL Intake Center to be paid from 142-72210-790-101
3. Consider approval of the purchase of eleven (11) Promethean Boards for Cornerstone Middle School in the total amount of \$31,322.50 to be paid from 142-72210-790-10S Corne. **(ARRA)**
 4. Consider approval of the purchase of Apple Mac book Learning Lab (20 Mac books) for the ESL Intake Center located at White Plains Academy in the amount of \$24,099.00 to be paid from 142-71100-722-301.
 5. Consider approval of the purchase of thirteen (13) Apple computers for Cane Creek Elementary School in the total amount of \$15,184.00 to be paid from 142-71100-722-101CaneC.
 6. Consider approval of the purchase of five (5) Promethean Boards for Baxter Elementary School in the total amount \$14,237.50 to be paid from 142-72210-790-101Baxte.
 7. Consider approval of the purchase of twenty-five (25) IMac computers for Sycamore Elementary School in the amount of \$29,200.00 to be paid from 142-71100-722-101 Sycam.
 8. Consider approval of the purchase of eleven (11) Mac Books from Apple, Inc. through the Tennessee state contract for the Cornerstone Middle School (CMS) "Wii Lab" in the amount of \$11,902.00 to be paid from CMS grant funds.
 9. Consider approval of purchase of twenty (20) iMac Computers from Apple, Inc. through the Tennessee state contract for VITAL expansion at White Plains Academy to provide in the amount of \$23,360.00 to be paid from 142-71100-722-501.
 10. Consider approval of the purchase of thirty-six (36) iMac computers from Apple, Inc. through the Tennessee state contract for lab upgrades to support VITAL expansion at CHS, MHS, UHS in the amount of \$42,048.00 to be paid from 142-71100-722-501 to be distributed proportionally based on student enrollment.

B. Approval of Bids (None Submitted)

C. Budget Amendments/Line Item Transfers

1. Consider approval of the following Federal Budget Amendments – Fund 142, as submitted:
 - a. Rollover budget for cohort IV year 3 of the Math and Science Partnership grant
 - b. Establish budget for 2009-2010 Youth Violence and Drug Prevention grant
 - c. Establish budget for 2009-2010 21st Century Program grant
 - d. Title I. (**ARRA**) (10S) MHS to utilize funds more appropriately
 - e. Title I. (101) White Plains Academy to utilize funds more appropriately
 - f. Title I. (10S) (**ARRA**) Cornerstone Middle to utilize funds more appropriately
 - g. Title I. (10S) (**ARRA**) Northeast Elementary to cover salaries
 - h. Title I. (10S) (**ARRA**) PCMS to utilize funds more appropriately
 - i. Title I (101) Baxter Elementary to utilize funds more appropriately
 - j. Title I.A. (101) Jere Whitson Elementary to cover renewal costs for Pearson Success Maker for the 2009-10 school year
 - k. Title I.A. (101) Uffelman Elementary to utilize funds more appropriately
 - l. Title I. (101) Sycamore Elementary to purchase instructional equipment
 - m. Title I (101) Avery Trace Middle to utilize funds more appropriately
 - n. Title I (101) Cane Creek Elementary to purchase student computers
 - o. Title I. (101) Cane Creek Elementary to purchase student computers

2. Consider approval of the following General Purpose School Budget Amendments – Fund 141, as submitted:
 - a. Establish budget for VITAL Program
 - b. To reallocate to best utilize 2009-2010 Putnam County EL/Civics grant funds

- c. To budget additional funds awarded for 2009-2010 Putnam County EL/Civics grant
 - d. Establish budget for 2009-2010 Tennessee Learn and Serve grant
 - e. Establish budget for 2009-2010 LEAPS Program grant
 - f. Budget Estimated Federal Money for Special Education High Cost Students
3. Consider approval of the following General Purpose School Line Item Transfers – Fund 141, as submitted:
- a. To adjust budget to account for cell phone reimbursement for Special Education

D. Consider approval of the Overnight/Out-of-State Field Trip Report, as submitted.

E. Consider approval of the Grant Report, as submitted.

F. Other

- 1. Consider approval of Textbook Certification of Compliance with Tennessee Code Annotated Section 49-3-310(4)(A).
- 2. Consider approval of the individual school budgets for the 2009-2010 school years, as submitted.
- 3. Consider approval of the following individuals receiving three supplements for the 2009-2010 school year:
 - a. Michael Phillips ATMS 7th grade assistant football
ATMS 8th grade assistant football
MHS head softball
 - b. Marty Cook ATMS 7th grade assistant football
ATMS 8th grade assistant football
MHS assistant softball
 - c. Charles Looper MHS girls' golf
MHS boys' golf
BMS golf
 - d. Randy Richards MHS assistant baseball
MHS assistant boys' basketball
MHS assistant girls' basketball

- e. Scott Cook CHS head wrestling
CHS JV football
CHS assistant varsity football

 - f. Ben Herron CMS girls' golf
CMS boys' golf
CMS head football

 - g. Justin Brown AMS girls' golf
AMS boys' golf
AMS Odyssey of the Mind
4. Consider approval of the following 2010 high school graduation dates:
- UHS May 21, 2009 6:00 PM
 - CHS May 22, 2010 10:00 AM
 - MHS May 22, 2010 4:00 PM
 - Adult High June 4, 2010 7:00 PM
5. Consider approval of the following, as submitted:
- a. Putnam County Board of Education's Internal Revenue Service Code Section 403(b) Retirement Plan Document

 - b. Putnam County board of Education's Eligible 457 Prototype Plan Salary Reduction Contribution Adoption Agreement

 - c. Putnam County Board of Education's 457 Plan Loan Policy

Dr. **JORDAN** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **McCORMICK** stated the Board would address Agenda Item II.A.1., Insurance Recovery – Jere Whitson Elementary Project Update, and recognized Allen Hill.

Mr. **Hill** stated the following regarding the Insurance Recovery – Jere Whitson Elementary Project Update:

- Building occupied
- Some small items to correct
- Site work complete
- Reached substantial completion

- Received bids for sewer line replacement
- Recommended low bidder, Elk Mountain Construction Co. – Cookeville, Tennessee, in the amount of \$61,630 for both sewer and paving

ACTION: (II.A.2.) Mr. **MAYNARD** made a motion to approve Jere Whitson Elementary Sanitary Sewer Line Replacement and Paving bid from the low bidder, Elk Mountain Construction Co. – Cookeville, Tennessee, in the total amount of \$61,630 to be paid from 179-91300-706, Building Construction. Mr. **BROWN** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dr. **Airhart** asked when the sewer line replacement work would begin; and Mr. **Hill** stated the work would begin during the Fall Break (October 12 – 16, 2009).

(Mr. Crabtree arrived at 5:30 PM.)

Mr. **Hill** recommended Agenda Item II.A.3., payment to Mid-State Construction Company – Livingston, Tennessee, as submitted.

ACTION: (II.A.3.) Mr. **BROWN** made a motion to approve payment to Mid-State Construction Company – Livingston, Tennessee in the amount of \$209,000.00 and Community Bank of the Cumberland’s – Cookeville, Tennessee in the amount of \$11,000.00 for retainage withheld for a total amount of \$220,000.00 for application payment #011 relative to the Jere Whitson Elementary School renovation project to be paid from 179-91300-706-JEREW, Building Construction. Mr. **MAYNARD** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **Hill** recommended Agenda Item II.A.4. and 5., payments for services for the sanitary sewer repair.

ACTION: (II.A.3. and 4.) Mr. **MAYNARD** made a motion to approve the following payments:

II.A.4.

Putnam Contracting Services LLC – Cookeville, Tennessee for sanitary sewer removal and repair performed at Jere Whitson Elementary School to be paid from 179-91300-399 JEREW, Other Contracted Services, as follows:

- Upper courtyard area repair in the amount of \$7,825.00
- Parking lot/lower building section “C” repair in the amount of \$7,200.00.

II.A.5.

Carwile Mechanical – Cookeville, Tennessee for services performed in the repair of the sanitary sewer at Jere Whitson Elementary School in the amount of \$4,414.48 to be paid from 179-91300-399JEREW, Other Contracted Services.

Mr. **BROWN** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ACTION: (II.A.6.) Mr. **CRABTREE** made a motion to approve payment to Upland Design Group, Inc. – Crossville, Tennessee in the amount of \$4,324.18 for architectural services relative to the Jere Whitson Elementary School Renovation Project to be paid from 179-91300-304-JEREW, Architects.

Mr. **BROWN** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **McCORMICK** stated the Board would address Agenda Item II.B.1.a., New Prescott South Elementary and Middle School Project Updates, and recognized Aaron Miller, Cockrill Design & Planning – Knoxville, Tennessee.

Mr. **Miller** stated the following regarding the New Prescott South Elementary and Middle School Project Updates:

- Held 8 hour progress meeting on site today
- Approximately 18%-20% complete
- Building E (Gym) – Masonry 90% complete
- Within the week - roof joists in place and roof decking to begin
- Building D – Masonry 45-50% complete
- Starting foundation on Building C (Core)
- Building B – Masonry 20%-25% complete
- Just starting to pour slab for Building A
- Project moving forward
- Some rain delays
- VCC working on a different schedule of 9 months completion time rather than the contract time of 14 months
- Started drilling of well this week

ACTION: (II.B.1.b.) Mr. **HARGIS** made a motion to approve payment to GEOServices, LLC – Seymour, Tennessee for geotechnical services performed between July 25, 2009, and August 29, 2009, in the amount of \$11,216.00 relative to the Prescott South Elementary and Middle Schools project to be paid from 179-91300-308-NEWK8, Consultants. Mr. **MAYNARD** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **Miller** recommended payment application #003 to VCC – Atlanta, Georgia.

ACTION: (II.B.1.c.) Mr. **HARGIS** made a motion to approve payment to VCC – Atlanta, Georgia in the amount of \$1,615,871.80 and Community Bank of the Cumberland’s – Cookeville, Tennessee in the amount of \$85,045.85 for retainage withheld for a total amount of \$1,700,917.00 for application payment #003 relative to the Prescott South Elementary and Middle School project to be paid from 179-91300-706-NEWK8, Building Construction. Dr. **JORDAN** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **Miller** stated Agenda Item II.B.1.c. was required by the State Fire Marshal.

ACTION: (II.B.1.d.) Mr. **HARGIS** made a motion to approve VCC’s PCO #04 in the amount of \$22,820.00 to be paid from the project’s contingency funds for work related to State Fire Marshal code requirements. (This change does not include a change to the total contract sum or the contract time for this project.) Dr. **JORDAN** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **Miller** stated Agenda Item II.B.1.e. was recommended by geotechnical consultant, GeoServices Inc. – Seymour, Tennessee, for additional reinforcement for the auditorium.

ACTION: (II.B.1.e.) Mr. **BROWN** made a motion to approve VCC’s PCO #05/CCr #04 in the amount of \$46,246.00 to be paid from the project’s contingency funds for work recommended by our geotechnical consultant, GeoServices Inc – Seymour, Tennessee. (This change does not include a change to the total contract sum or to the contract time for this project.) Dr. **JORDAN** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **Miller** stated Agenda Item II.B.1.f. was to remove disposals from kitchen area and put a credit back into the contingency fund.

ACTION: (II.B.1.f.) Dr. **JORDAN** made a motion to approve VCC’s PCO #06 in the amount of \$11,825.00 credit. (This change in work was required by local codes inspector and reviewed by Mr. Dwight Danley, kitchen consultant; and this will be added back to our project contingency funds.) Mr. **BROWN** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **Miller** stated Agenda Item II.B.1.g. was to connect storm sewer and sanitary system lines to the main lines on the site.

ACTION: (II.B.1.g.) Mr. **BROWN** made a motion to approve VCC’s PCO #07 in the amount of \$4,281.00 to be paid from project’s contingency funds for work relative to the projects storm sewer and sanitary system. (This change does not

include a change to the total contract sum or to the contract time for this project.)
Mr. **MAYNARD** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **McCORMICK** stated the Board would address Agenda Item II.B.1.h., the requested addition to discuss solar lighting for the parking lot area at the Prescott South Elementary and Middle School projects, and recognized Dr. Airhart.

Dr. **Airhart** stated rather than the present stand-alone lighting for the parking lot area, the Board might want to consider solar lighting.

Mr. **Miller** stated the solar lighting would be less expensive than the stand-alone lighting resulting in a deduct in the amount of \$215,737.

ACTION: (II.B.1.h.) Mr. **HARGIS** made a motion to approve the recommendation to save \$215,737 on the lighting for the parking lot at Prescott South Elementary and Middle School projects. Mr. **MAYNARD** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **McCORMICK** stated the Board would address Agenda Item II.B.2.a., New Algood Elementary School Project Update, and recognized Aaron Miller, Cockrill Design & Planning – Knoxville, Tennessee.

Mr. **Miller** stated the following regarding the New Algood Elementary School Project Update:

- Completing punch list items as available to do so with students present
- No more issues regarding the roof

Dr. **Airhart** stated the following regarding the Algood Elementary playground equipment purchase:

- Last month discussed moving forward with playground equipment purchase
- After meeting, concern came forward regarding violation of bid laws
- Playground purchase placed on HOLD
- John Magura, Construction Manager, spoke recently with Cockrill Design & Planning about the possibility of designing a basic playground area program for both elementary and middle levels to be used on various projects in the bidding process
- Requested permission to proceed with this new plan for playgrounds rather than last month's approved playground equipment purchase

ACTION: Mr. **MAYNARD** made a motion to authorize Cockrill Design & Planning – Knoxville, Tennessee to design a basic playground program for both the

elementary and middle school levels for installation in any of our newly constructed schools. Mr. **HARGIS** seconded the motion.

The Board requested Cockrill Design & Planning to include input from principals and staff regarding playground guidelines.

ACTION: After Board discussion, the vote was taken. Motion carried.

Mr. **Miller** stated Agenda Item II.B.2.b. was for Mid-State Construction Company's pay application #013.

ACTION: (II.B.2.b.) Mr. **BROWN** made a motion to approve payment to Mid-State Construction Company – Livingston, Tennessee in the amount of \$30,418.20 and Community Bank of the Cumberland's – Cookeville, Tennessee in the amount of \$1,600.95 for retainage withheld for a total amount of \$32,019.15 for application payment #013 relative to the Algood Elementary School project to be paid from 179-91300-706-ALGOO, Building Construction. Dr. **JORDAN** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **Miller** stated Agenda Item II.B.2.c. was for Mid-State Construction's PCO #28 for installation of foam closure inserts at the steel deck flutes of the exterior canopies.

ACTION: (II.B.2.c.) Dr. **JORDAN** made a motion to approve Mid-State Construction's PCO #28 in the amount of \$3,530.60 to be paid from the project's contingency funds for work related to the installation of foam closure inserts at the steel deck flutes of the exterior canopies. (This change does not include a change to the contract sum or to the contract time of this project.) Mr. **HARGIS** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **Miller** stated Agenda Item II.B.2.d. was for Mid-state Construction's PCO #30 for additional work to the existing intercom system in the gym and library as requested by the school's administration.

ACTION: (II.B.2.d.) Mr. **MAYNARD** made a motion to approve Mid-State Construction's PCO #30 in the amount of \$1,758.75 to be paid from the project's contingency funds for additional work to the existing intercom system as requested by the school's administration. (This change does not include a change to the contract sum or to the contract time of this project.) Mr. **HARGIS** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **Miller** stated Agenda Item II.B.2.e. was for Mid-State Construction's PCO #31 for the installation of a dryer vent in the laundry/shower – Room 1038.

ACTION: (II.B.2.e.) Mr. **BROWN** made a motion to approve Mid-State Construction's PCO #31 in the amount of \$320.25 to be paid from the project's contingency funds for the installation of a dryer vent in the laundry/shower – Room 1038. (This change does not include a change to the contract sum or to the contract time for this project.) Mr. **MAYNARD** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **Miller** stated Agenda Item II.B.2.f. was for payment of Mid-State Construction's Application #014 for the project retainage.

ACTION: (II.B.2.f.) Mr. **BROWN** made a motion to approve Mid-State Construction's Application for Payment #14 (with attached Consent of Surety Company) in the amount of \$666,691.25 to be paid from project retainage account at Community Bank of the Cumberland – Cookeville, Tennessee. (See Exhibit II.B.1.b.) Dr. **JORDAN** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **McCORMICK** stated the Board would address Agenda Item II.B.3., White Plains Academy Renovation Project Update, and recognized Allen Hill, Upland Design Group – Crossville, Tennessee.

Mr. **Hill** stated the following regarding the White Plains Academy Renovation Project Update:

- Anticipate Substantial Completion by Thursday, October 8th
- Occupancy shortly thereafter
- Recommend pay application #4 from King Construction Group, Inc.

ACTION: (II.B.3.b.) Mr. **BROWN** made a motion to approve payment to King Construction Group, Inc. – Cookeville, Tennessee in the amount of \$162,572.63 for application payment #4 relative to the White Plains Academy Renovation project to be paid from 179-91300-706-C05, Building Construction. Dr. **JORDAN** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **McCORMICK** stated the Board would address Agenda Item II.B.3.c., approval of data infrastructure, and recognized Dr. Airhart.

Dr. **Airhart** stated the agenda had listed a not to exceed amount but Jerry Boyd, Assistant Director of Instructional Services, had received two options for Board consideration.

Mr. **Boyd** briefly explained the following options:

- Option #1 - partial installation in the total amount of \$15,315.00
- Option #2 - complete installation in the amount of \$19,890.00

- Alternates
 - Change option #2 to cat6 in the additional amount of \$3,070.00
 - Change wall mount racks to wall mount cabinets on either option in the additional amount of \$1,295.00.

ACTION: (II.B.3.c.) Mr. **BROWN** made a motion to approve Option #2, complete installation, in the total amount of \$19,890.00 including alternate to change option #2 to cat6 in the additional amount of \$3,070.00 and alternate to change wall mount racks to wall mount cabinets in the additional amount of \$1,295.00. Dr. **JORDAN** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **Hill** stated Agenda Item II.B.3.d., Upland Design Group, Inc.'s Architectural Supplemental Instruction No. 007, was for multiple items such as carpet replacement, exit lights, etc.

ACTION: (II.B.3.d.) Mr. **BROWN** made a motion to approve Upland Design Group, Inc.'s Architectural Supplemental Instruction No. 007 in the amount of \$12,053.52 to be paid from White Plains Academy Project contingency funds. Mr. **MAYNARD** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **McCORMICK** stated the Board would address requested addition as Agenda Item II.B.3.e., payment to Upland Design Group for architectural services relative to White Plains Academy.

ACTION: (II.B.3.e.) Mr. **BROWN** made a motion to approve payment to Upland Design Group, Inc. – Crossville, Tennessee in the amount of \$2,389.24 for architectural services relative to White Plains Academy Renovation Project to be paid from 179-91300-304-CO5, Architects. Mr. **MAYNARD** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **McCORMICK** stated the Board would address Agenda Item II.B.4.a., Baxter and Cane Creek Elementary Flooring Replacement Project Updates, and recognized Aaron Miller, Cockrill Design & Planning – Knoxville, Tennessee.

Mr. **Miller** stated the following regarding the Baxter and Cane Creek Elementary Flooring Replacement Project Updates:

- Projects completed
- No issues remaining
- Received closeout documents
- Submitted documents to John Magura today

- Recommended payments

ACTION: (II.B.4.b., c., d., and e.) Mr. **MAYNARD** made a motion to approve the following payments and Certificate of Substantial Completions, as submitted:

II.B.4.a.

Payment to Mid-State Construction Company – Livingston, Tennessee in the amount of \$3,907.50 for pay application #003 (Final Pay Application) relative to Baxter Elementary Floor Project to be paid from 141-72620-399-TILE.

II.B.4.b.

Payment to Mid-State Construction Company – Livingston, Tennessee in the amount of \$3,965.80 for pay application #003 (Final Pay Application) relative to Cane Creek Elementary Floor Project to be paid from 141-72620-399-TILE.

II.B.4.c.

Certificate of Substantial Completion from Mid-State Construction – Livingston, Tennessee for the Baxter Flooring Replacement Project.

II.B.4.d.

Certificate of Substantial Completion from Mid-State Construction – Livingston, Tennessee for the Cane Creek Flooring Replacement Project.

Mr. **HARGIS** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **McCORMICK** stated the Board would address Agenda Item II.B.5., Burks Middle School (BMS) Expansion Report, and recognized Dr. Airhart.

Dr. **Airhart** stated the following Burks Middle School Expansion Report:

- Held second meeting on September 28th at Uffelman Elementary to discuss the possibility of consolidating Uffelman Elementary and BMS into a K-8 school
- Mostly attended by faculty and staff
- Less attended by parents and the public
- Good discussion during two (2) hour time period
- No decisions reached regarding the possible project
- Recognized Allen Hill, Upland Design Group – Crossville, Tennessee to comment

Both Mr. **Hill** and Mr. **Hargis** stated they had attended the meeting and neither had a clear idea of what to do or what was wanted.

The Board discussed possible ways to encourage more input from both parents and the public.

The Board agreed to place the BMS Expansion Report on the December Board Agenda.

Mr. **McCORMICK** stated the Board would address Agenda Item II.C., Policy, and recognized Dr. Airhart.

Dr. **Airhart** stated Dr. Koczwar, Grant Writer, had recommended Policy 2.400, Revenues, be updated relative to the grant section of the policy.

ACTION: (II.C.1.) Dr. **JORDAN** made a motion to approve Policy 2.400, Revenues, on first and final reading, as submitted. Mr. **BROWN** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **McCORMICK** stated the Board would address Agenda Item II.D., Power School Presentation, and recognized Martha Greer.

Ms. **Greer** reviewed the following regarding Power School Presentation:

- Immediate access to real-time student data – i.e. schedules, class size, attendance, grades, and discipline
- Web-based teacher grade book
- Administrative Reports for tracking progress
- District Level School Enrollment Summary
- Parent Home Page
- Linked to Grades Detail
- Linked to Attendance Detail
- Attendance History
- Email Notification
- Teacher Comments
- School Bulletin
- Class Registration
- Calendars
- Subscribe or Unsubscribe to Assignments
- Noted Parental Access Statistics and volume of usage to date

Mr. **McCORMICK** stated the Board would address Agenda Item II.E., Discuss use of Dry Valley School facility, and recognized Dr. Airhart.

Dr. **Airhart** stated the following regarding the use of the Dry Valley School facility:

- Dry Valley School facility about to be vacated
- Moving into White Plains Academy over the Fall Break
- Expect to start up school right after Fall Break
- Including GED and Adult High School in the same location
- Dry Valley School facility to be used as an annex to the central office to include the following departments: PreK Program, After School Program, Central Receiving, Instructional Support – Materials/Textbooks, and Food Service
- Requested Board approval to move said departments to the annex at the old Dry Valley School facility, as submitted on Exhibit II.D.

ACTION: (II.E.) Mr. **BROWN** made a motion to approve the Dry Valley School facility usage, as presented. Dr. **JORDAN** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. **McCORMICK** stated the Board would address Agenda Item II.F., Discuss Education Reform in Tennessee, and recognized Dr. Airhart.

Dr. **Airhart** stated the following regarding Education Reform in Tennessee:

- Why raise the bar in Tennessee?
 - Ranks 41st in the nation for student achievement
 - Tennessee students don't score as well nationally
 - Majority of 8th graders not proficient in math or reading (NAEP)
 - 1.2 million TN over 18 don't have a diploma/GED
 - 21% of Tennesseans over 18 cannot
 - Fill out an application or read a food label
 - Read a story to a child
 - Of every 100 9th graders in TN
 - 72 will graduate high school
 - 17 will graduate college within 6 years

- What has Tennessee done?
 - Tennessee Diploma Project
 - More rigorous graduation standards
 - Single path diploma
 - New curriculum standards – all TN students
 - Changes have begun this school year
- Graduation Requirements – The Major Changes
 - Total credit requirements increased from 20 to 22
 - 4 years math – while in HS
 - Elective focus earning no less than three credits
 - Personal finance
 - Additional half credit of PE
- How Will These Changes Affect Pre-K to 12 Students?
 - Concepts taught earlier
 - More challenging content and tests
 - New standards require
 - Higher level thinking
 - Deeper comprehension of the subject matter
 - End-of-course exams 25% of grade (phased-in)
 - College-readiness pre-tests
 - 8th & 10th grades to identify areas of concern
- How Will This Affect Test Scores?
 - Double “hit” this year on TN scores
 - Increased test standards and cut scores will result in lower AYP measurement

- New TVAAS “baseline” will result in lower performance scores for most schools
- Why a New Baseline?
 - TVAAS progress has been measured by the average achievement established by 1998 testing.
 - TN schools have been making progress but have “outrun the base”.
- How Does a New Baseline Change Things?
 - State has “re-averaged” based on 2009 scores.
 - Initial impact will be lower grades on report cards.
 - November TVAAS report cards
 - Next year when new tests begin
- What will Happen in Future Years?
 - New baseline allows schools to meet growth in new and higher standards in future years.
- Changes in 2009 and beyond....
 - Reviewed Chart of Value-Added Three Year Averages of Districts, 8th Grade Reading
 - Reviewed Chart of Value-Added Three Year Averages of Districts, 7th Grade Reading
- Summary
 - In preparation for the new 2009 Standards
 - State
 - ✓ Baselines have been reset.
 - ✓ Achievement levels have been redefined.
 - ✓ Gains have been redefined.

- LEA
 - ✓ Expected outcomes will be lower scores on all measures of achievement.

Mr. **McCORMICK** stated the Board would address Agenda Item II.G., TLN Report, and recognized Eric Brown.

Mr. **Brown** reviewed four (4) resolutions for Board consideration to be included in the Delegate Assembly packet in November.

ACTION: (II.G.1.) Mr. **BROWN** made a motion to approve Resolution #1, as follows:

“The Putnam County Board of Education urges the Governor and the General Assembly to fund the second phase-in of the Basic Education Program (BEP) 2.0.”

Mr. **MAYNARD** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ACTION: (II.G.2.) Mr. **BROWN** made a motion to approve Resolution #2, as follows:

“The Putnam County Board of Education urges the General Assembly to revise the definition of maintenance of effort to recognize natural growth, inflation, and additional costs.”

Mr. **MAYNARD** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ACTION: (II.G.3.) Mr. **BROWN** made a motion to approve Resolution #3, as follows:

“The Putnam County Board of Education urges the General Assembly to encourage the Tennessee Department of Education to evaluate and change the testing dates for state mandated tests in order to allow for a longer testing period and more opportunities to test students later in the academic year.”

Mr. **HARGIS** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ACTION: (II.G.4.) Mr. **BROWN** made a motion to approve Resolution #4, as follows:

“The Putnam County Board of Education urges the General Assembly to extend public higher education tuition discounts currently provided for

children of public school teachers and state employees to children of school board members.”

Mr. **HARGIS** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ACTION: Mr. **BROWN** made a motion to adjourn. Mr. **HARGIS** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Board adjourned at 6:50 PM.

Date

Chairman

Director of Schools