Dyersburg City Schools

School Board Meeting

October 9, 2023

DHS

The Dyersburg City School Board met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. at Dyersburg High School. Chairperson, Jim Coy Houston, opened the meeting and welcomed those in attendance. The School Board members present for the meeting were: Whitney Allmon, Carlos Doss, Jim Coy Houston, Mike Hickman, Courtney Patrick, Scott Self, and Gleyn Twilla.

The following consent items were approved by the Board with a motion from Scott Self, and a second from Courtney Patrick:

1. Tonight’s Agenda
2. Approval of Emergency Preparedness Plan per policy 3.202
3. DMS Band Competition “Quad State Annual Festival” 11/20/23 Murray, KY
4. DMS Band Competition “Music in Our Parks” 4-6-24 St. Louis, MO
5. DHS Dance Team Competition 3/7/24-3/11/24 Orlando, FL
6. DHS Dance Team Competition 1/12/24-1/13/24 Hoover, AL
7. DHS Dance Team Competition 11/4/23-11/5/23 Murfreesboro, TN
8. 2023 Compliance Report

**New Business**

Ms. Worley discussed the TISA Accountability Report. She explained that any time there is accountability, the state likes to know how money is being spent. This report includes the plan for the next 3 to 5 years with our academic goals. The first goal has to be about 3rd grade proficiency and when we are going to meet the 70% proficiency rate. The first goal: 70% of 3rd grade students will score proficient on the 3rd grade ELA TCAP by 2036. Our second goal is an ELA goal: DCS will achieve a level 3 TVAAS score or higher in literacy and maintain or improve the percentile in terms of the number of students scoring on-track and mastered. Our third goal is a math proficiency goal: DCS will achieve a level 3 TVAAS score or higher in math and maintain or improve the percentile in terms of the number of students scoring on-track and mastered. The fourth goal is a college and career readiness goal: DCS will (1) Continue to improve the federal graduation rate for ALL students. (2) Increase the percentage of graduating students scoring at or above all four college readiness benchmark areas. (3) Increase the percentage of students qualifying as a “ready graduate”. The TISA plan includes an action plan for these goals and how TISA funding will be spent to carry out these goals. Ms. Worley explained that each year we will reevaluate and determine how to best spend TISA funds. She also stated that a large portion of the money is spent on teachers. She expressed that our teachers are our best resources.

Mr. Jim Coy Houston welcomed a teacher from DPS that had a school concern. This teacher explained that she was concerned about being sick and felt that the mold that was found in the building may be the cause. Mr. Jim Coy Houston thanked this teacher for coming and voicing her concerns and stated that her concerns would be taken into consideration.

**Policies**

Board members reviewed policies 2.200-2.900.

With Board approval, Scott Self made a motion to accept the following policy revisions during the first and second reading with a second from Gleyn Twilla.

1.404 Appeals to and Appearances Before the Board- remove verbiage “or chooses to be abusive to an individual board member or the Board as a whole.”

1.901 Charter School Applications- Change the time from 4:30 to 11:59.

4.204 Summer School-Replace with Summer Instructional Programs. This includes programs that will be made available, a summer programming plan, attendance requirements, and third grade Promotion/Retention Law & Make-Up days.

4.700 Testing Programs- Add the following two sections:

Testing Transfer Students for Grade Placement or Awarding Credit

High School Credit Exam for Eligible Courses

**Successes**

Mr. Jim Coy stated that we have a lot going on academically and athletically in our buildings. Mrs. Worley added that we have staff members that have been selected for awards.

**DPS**

TDOE has released the videos from TOY candidates the year Kerri Newsom was a finalist.

She is featured in four clips in the TEAM Best Practices Library with:

Problem Solving, Presenting Instructional Content, Lesson Structure & Pacing and Activities & Materials.

DPS is so proud of the way that Kerri represents our school and district.

**DIS**

NEHS Inductees:

Woods Allmon, Nolan Baker, Antonio Banks, Porter Bohanon, Analyn Dang, Benjamin Davis, Hudson Gadlage, Audrina Haynes, Landon Hutcheson,

Samuel Lloyd, Emilio Martin, Tinley Newsom, Thomas Nolen, Emma Peevyhouse,

Tanner Riney, Katherine Rogers, Michael Smith, Kalie Thurmond,Kalie Thurmond, and Maddie White.

Trojan Leaders of the Week:

Sept 4-8: Elijah Dennie, Kate Sentell, Sawyer Patterson

Sept. 11-15: Asher Edwards, Alejandro Leal de la Garza, Kylan Scott

Sept. 18-22: Brielle Stenmark, Aaliyah Low, Cora Jackson

Sept. 25-Sept. 29: Kylie Napier, Maleena Jones, Kennedy Ward

**DMS**

Congratulations to the following Trojans of the Week: Brooklyn Noblin, Ronnie Booker, Micah Tosh, Levi Koonce, Braxton Baker, Jack Chitwood, Jacob Cook, Desmond Bufford, and Zoe Calvin.

Congratulations to the following students for getting gold tickets: 6th Grader-Tristan Butler  8th graders-Alex Jiang, Nia Mackey, and Brynlee Powell.

Congratulations to the DMS Softball team. They had a win against Milan 13-9.

Lady Trojan Soccer

The DMS Lady Trojan Soccer team traveled to district opponent Milan on Saturday and won by a score of 9-0.

Scoring for Lady Trojans were GraceAnn Webb with 4 goals, JulieAnne Cundiff with 2 goals and Madi Eakin, Olivia Meeks and Haddy Manneh each with 1 goal.

The JV team also won their match by Score 4-1 scoring in that match was JulieAnne Cundiff with 2 goals and Morgan Eakin and Za’riyah Jackson each with 1 goal.

The Lady Trojan soccer team won a hard fought match 1 -0 against the Lady Cavaliers from Crockett to be tied for first place in the district with Medina ,South Gibson . The Lady Trojans goal was scored by Clara Serquina from 20 yards out.

The JV Lady Trojans also won their match 1-0 to remain undefeated. Scoring for the JV  Lady Trojans was Jill Meadows.

DMS Football

Congratulations to Aidan Chandler, R'Tavion Robinson, Porter Schultz, and Damarian Dillard for making the All-Conference Team this year.

6th Grade Football

Congratulations to the 6th Grade football team. They defeated Crockett County 24-6.  Stetson Swift scored 2 touchdowns and DeShawn Davis scored 1 touchdown. Two point conversions by Derrick Fields, DeShawn Davis, and Christian Corder.  DeShawn Davis had 2 interceptions.

**DHS**

Congratulations to Mark Stenberg on being selected as a UChicago Outstanding Educator! UChicago gives newly admitted students the opportunity to recognize the educators who have made a difference in their lives. And every year the incoming class responds with stories that are truly inspiring. Mr. Stenberg will receive a commemorative

Award, certificate, and other gifts in recognition of his great accomplishments in education.

Trojan Golf: The DHS Trojans took on South Gibson at The Farms. Ace Mahaffey was the 1st place medalist for the event with a 36 even par round. John David Morris was the 4th place individual medalist with a 43 and the team score was 173 to South Gibson’s 166. The Trojans will take on Madison at The Farms in their final regular season match.

DHS Golf concluded their Regular Season with a win over Madison 170 to 210 at The Farms. Ace Mahaffey was the overall medalist with a 39. Second place medalist was Hayden Humphreys.

Golf: Congratulations to your District Champion Dyersburg High School Golf Team! The team took the top prize at the District Tournament at the Milan Country Club. The following golfers received individual medalist recognitions: Ace Mahaffey (2nd place medalist), John David Morris (4th place medalist), and Hayden Humphreys (5th place medalist).

Lady Trojan Soccer defeated Crockett Co 6-0. Kathleen Harrell scored a hat-trick, Zainab Manneh tacked on a brace, and Anna Fisher rounded out the scoring with a well drilled penalty. All three goal scorers assisted together with Virginia Kerber.

Congratulations to the Trojan ticket drawing winners: Katie Strayhorn, Rainin Watson, Devonte Brasfield, Elizabeth Lemons, Chase Richmond, Timia Armstrong, Eilian Gonzalez, Ayouna Biggs and Jaliyah Steel.

Congratulations to the following students who were selected as class representatives for the 2023 Football Homecoming Court:

9th grade: Ann Kathryn Trevathan and Mickey Thach

10th grade: Kathleen Harrell and Izzie Odom

11th grade: Kate Schroeder and Jenna Flatt

12th grade: Brinlee Robinson and Campbell Boswell

The following students qualified for the Senior High All-NW Honor Choir. Brinlee Robinson- Soprano 1 Hannah Robertson- Soprano 1 Meredith Meeks- Soprano 1 Avery Coleman- Soprano 1 Allyssa Wilson- Soprano 1 Madisson Patrick- Alternate Soprano 1 Olivia Davis- Alternate Soprano 1 Presley Dishman- Soprano 2 Judi-Kaye Justice- Alto 1 Amariah Atkins- Alto 1 Cara Jones- Alto 2 Myren Hurst- Alternate Alto 2 Marleigh Grant- Alternate Alto 2 AL Harris- Tenor 1 Isaiah Thomas- Tenor 1 Caleb Stone- Tenor 2 D’Quarte Rivers- Tenor 2 Leo Bona- Bass 1 Nathan Paschall- Bass 1 Will Fowlkes- Bass 2 Presley Dishman- Accompanist

**School Presentation**

Kamela Rogers welcomed everyone to DHS. She explained that she has been at DHS since 2011 and served as a teacher, instructional supervisor, and principal. She feels that wearing these different hats has provided her with many opportunities to help make Dyersburg High School special through academic courses, partnerships with different colleges, and a career ready piece. Seela Newbill discussed the school profile for DHS which included: school and community partnerships, academic programs, student activities, and post high school placement. She explained there are multiple pathways to success for all of our students. Ms. Newbill discussed how the CTE classes have had a big impact on our students. She expressed that we have added a lot of things from STEM to AV technology to the Vet Science lab. Ms. Newbill stated that we want our students to see how everything relates and that we are bringing our academic classes to our CTE classes to help make those connections. Kim Yeiter, CTE Director, discussed ways that our students are making those connections. She explained the Student Success Grant. This grant allows a CTE class and a non-CTE class to partner together to create a project. A Geometry class and welding class have partnered to create an analog clock. A STEM lab and art class have partnered to make a Twelve Days of Christmas project. Many exciting projects are going on at DHS.

A tour was given to showcase some of these projects and offerings:

-STEM-Dual Enrollment though TCAT

-Vet Science Lab

-Rough Country Partnership

-ERMCO Partnership

-Trojan Perk Coffee Shop

-Healthcare Technician Lab-Dual Enrollment through DSCC. DHS is first in the state to offer the entire Healthcare Technician Program.

**Future Meetings**

October 9, 2023 DHS

November 6, 2023 CSC

November 16, 2023- November 19, 2023 Nashville TSBA Convention

December 4, 2023 DMS

January 8, 2023 CO

With no further business and Board approval, Whitney Allmon made a motion to adjourn with a second from Carlos Doss.