



Observer Reporting Form

Feature Evaluated	Yes	No	Comments
Meeting started on time?	X		
All members present?	X		
Members attentive?	X		
Did members appear to have done their "homework?"	X		
Were members courteous to each other and the public?	X		
Agenda sent/posted 72 hours before?	X		
Agenda items clearly described what was to be discussed?	X		
Adequate opportunity for public input?	X		
Was there an appearance that some action items were discussed in closed rather than open session?		X	
Was background information available to the public?	X		
Facilities adequate? (room size, lighting, ventilation, speakers audible, accessible to handicapped)	X		

Were any issues on the agenda relevant to LWV positions or programs? The potential outsourcing of custodial work for Knox County Schools is certainly an issue that the LWV should be aware of.

Do you recommend League action on any of these issues? No

7A IK brought up amendment regarding annually. CB says the overall is broad based but with amendment will support. Motion Carries

7B TD added naming of schools should first come to the Board of Education. TD amended so they would be open to naming. KC expresses lack of clarity of the overall policy. KC feels they need more clarity to properly amend this policy. IK makes note that they will be discussing it again. TD asked that it be removed from the agenda. TD says he will work on it and bring it back to the June meeting.

7C TD says he does not agree with the recommendation and will not be supporting it. Dr. McIntyre states he has to do a bit of research before providing more clarity. LF states that someone from the school staff has to be one of the coaches for the team to be legit to that school. Motion Carries

7D CB says she will not be supporting this and stands by the 5 minute limit. LF asks if other Knox County bodies have different time limits. IK says they all do 5 min. Motion fails.

8A Motion carries

9A Motion carries

9B Motion carries

9C Motion carries

10 Public Forum

Colliers – Clean Fuel person. Schools are working to start item free school zones. She shares that the schools will receive 3 signs to teach parents to turn off their engines while waiting outside the schools for children to come out.

Dr David Perry- not there to speak

Lance McCole- Speaks again of having raised his students in Knox County Schools. He is here to speak again against outsourcing the custodians. He says that he believes it would be immoral. He asks that the custodians stand up and acknowledges them. He speaks of the importance of what these people bring to our schools as well as the importance of their lives. He also notes that these people might be hired by the outsourcing places but their pay and benefits would be worse.

William Gist- He speaks of having worked 18 years for Knox County schools as a custodian. He states that they are not there to clean but are there to also care for the kids. He states that they need their jobs.

Geraldine Clark- She is a custodian at Austin East High School. She graduated from Austin East and has applied there to bring a lot to that school. She is there to do an excellent job. She has been exposed to outsourcing and does not support that for Knox County Schools.

Observer: Tammy Sommers Meeting: Knox County Board of Education Date: 5/4/11