

To: Board of Education

From: Anna Stubblefield, interim superintendent
Keith Jones, principal, south middle school
Kathy Johnson, executive director, finance

Re: Acceptance of donations, name change Billy Mills Middle School

Background:

On February 26, 2018, the board of education changed the name of South Middle School to Billy Mills Middle School, beginning July 1, 2018.

Rationale:

There are costs that go along with a name change of a school, from minor items such as stationary of the school, to major expenditures such as uniforms, the name on the gym floor and building signage inside and out. In order to help alleviate the costs of the school name change, there is community interest in helping, by donating funds for this purpose. In addition, the donations would go towards a name change commemoration that would include Mr. Mills and his family being a part of.

Board Policy indicates that donations for expenditures that alter the appearance of a building or school property require approval by administration and the board of education.

Recommendation:

Administration recommends the board of education approve the establishment of an expendable trust account for local donations and possible fund raising for the purpose of helping to alleviate the districts cost of making all the necessary name changes from South Middle School to Billy Mills Middle School and to help support the name change commemoration that would include Mr. Mills and his family.

Motion:

"I move the board of education approve establishing an expendable trust account for local donations and possible fund raising for the purpose of helping to alleviate the district's cost of making all the necessary name change from South Middle School to Billy Mills Middle School and to help support the name change commemoration that would include Mr. Mills and his family."