

FORT PAYNE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board Briefs

February 25, 2021, Regular Monthly Meeting, 6:00 PM Conference Room of the Central Office

Called the meeting to order and welcomed the guests.

Established a quorum.

Approved the corrections to the Minutes of the January 28, 2021, Regular Board Meeting, as follows:

- Approve a request from Morgan Morgan, Pre-K Teacher at Wills Valley Elementary School, to continue her Maternity Leave, through May 28, 2021, as submitted.
- Approve a request from Veronica Rodriguez, CNP Worker at Fort Payne Middle School, for an unpaid leave due to a substantial hardship or extraordinary circumstances, effective January 29, 2021, as submitted.

I Approved the minutes of the January 28, 2021, regular meeting, as submitted.

II Personnel

A. Retirement

1. Accepted the resignation of Patty Bobo, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at Fort Payne Middle School, effective June 1, 2021, due to retirement, as submitted.

B. Resignations

1. Accepted the resignation of Veronica Rodriguez, CNP Worker at Fort Payne Middle School, effective. February 19, 2021, as submitted.

C. Other

1. Approved the additions to the following substitute personnel lists, effective for the 2019-2020 school year, as submitted:
  - CNP
  - Custodian
  - Teacher

III Approved the contract of employment for Patty Strickland, Fort Payne City School System's Chief School Financial Officer, as submitted.

IV Approved the following requests for out of state travel, as submitted.

- Brian Jett, Athletic Director/Principal at FPHS
  - FPHS - Baseball Team  
March 5, 2021, State Event - Chattooga High School, Summerville, GA
  - FPHS Track and Field Team  
March 6, 2021, Rome Invitational Meet – Rome High School, Rome, GA
  - FPHS – Tennis Team  
March 22, 2021, Tennis Match, Dade County High School, Trenton, Ga

V Approved a request from Dr. Laran Adkins, CNP Director to join the Tennessee Valley CNP Cooperative for the purpose of purchasing supplemental grocery items, as submitted.

VI Approved the apparent lowest bid substantially in compliance with the specification in the amount of \$13,913.93 from Osborn Brothers, for supplemental grocery items, as submitted.

VII Approved the January 2021 financial statements and bank reconciliation reports, as submitted.

VIII Superintendent's Report

Mr. Cunningham congratulated Coach Selena Penton and her staff on a very successful indoor track season. The team placed 4<sup>th</sup> overall with the following state medalists:

- Madi Wallace placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in 60 meter hurdles
- Maddie Jackson, Anahi Barboza, Reese McCurdy and Aylin Vega placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 4x800 meter relay team.
- Madi Wallace, Maddie Jackson, Madisyn Hill and Maggie Groat placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 4x400 meter relay team.

Mr. Cunningham congratulated Lt. Col Walker and the JROTC Rifle Team. The team latest victory over Sparkman provided their highest team score of the season, 967. Team Captain, Ibet Perez, led the team with a score of 259. Freshman Mary Cifuentes (247) and Barrett Bible (235), along with junior Emily Yates (232), all contributed to the win. Caitlyn O'Shields, Dylan Loudermilk, Mackenzie Cordell, Anslie Combs, Carmella Cisneros, and Melchora Jimenez have all contributed to the JV Team wins this season.

Mr. Cunningham congratulated Mr. Ian Pask, Band Director at FPHS and the JV and Varsity Winterguards. The JV placed 4<sup>th</sup> and the Varsity placed 1<sup>st</sup>.

Mr. Cunningham congratulated Coach Austin Panell, Coach Ethyn Holbrook, and Coach Terrell Davis for an outstanding wrestling season.

- David Miguel placed 6<sup>th</sup> at 106lbs
- Jax Cyrus placed 5<sup>th</sup> at 113lbs
- Cole Blalock placed 3<sup>rd</sup> at 126lbs
- Dawson Williams placed 4<sup>th</sup> at 145lbs
- Arturo Rodriguez placed 152 lbs
- Riley Kuhn State Champion at 220 lbs.

Mr. Cunningham announced the FPMS Robotics Team had been given a private donation. Mrs. McClung and the team are very excited for the support they have received.

Mr. Cunningham was proud to announce that Dr. Adkins and the Transportation Staff was awarded a Certificate of Achievement by having zero deficiencies in the FPCS Bus Fleet. Congratulations to everyone involved.

Mr. Cunningham reported on the progress of the additional parking behind Wildcat Stadium. He expressed his appreciation to Mr. Tim Williams, with the City of Fort Payne for their support.

Mr. Cunningham announced that Little Ridge Intermediate School is showing great progress on the inside. The weather has hindered some of the outside work, but work is moving forward.

Mr. Cunningham was pleased to announce that Laurel Shugart from FPHS was selected as the recipient of the NCWIT Award for Aspirations in Computing National Honorable Mention. Laurel was selected from 4200 applicants. Jordan Binkley from FPHS received an honorable mention. Congratulations to both students.

IX Approved March 25, 2021 at 6:00 PM in the conference room of the Central Office as the date, time and place of the next regular Board Meeting.

X Adjourned.

