

FORT PAYNE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BOARD BRIEFS

May 24, 2022, Regular Monthly Meeting, 6:00pm in the Conference Room of the Central Office

Called the meeting to order and welcomed the guests.

Established a quorum.

Approved the minutes of the April 28, 2022, regular meeting, as submitted.

I Presentations

A. Employees of the Year

- WVES Teacher – Gena Fowler
- WVES Support - Angie Hammon
- LRIS Teacher – Caleb Wigley
- LRIS Support – Misty White
- FPMS Teacher – Brandee Hughes
- FPMS Support – Angel McInnis
- FPHS – Teacher – Kala Kirby
- FPHS Support – Genesis Salinas
- CNP – Jessica Wisener
- Bus Driver – Miranda Simmons
- District Support – Brian Anderson

B. Retirees of the Year

- Deborah Beasley
- Eddie Joe Wright
- Minnie McElrath
- Beverly Sutton
- Karen Keeling
- Teresa Davidson
- Ricky Morrow
- Kim Butler
- Marcia Kerns

C. School Board Member Appreciation

- Mr. James B. Durham, Board President  
20 Years of Service to the FPBOE

II Personnel

A. Retirements

1. Accepted the resignation of the following personnel, due to retirement, as submitted:
  - Kim Butler, Librarian at Little Ridge Intermediate School, effective June 1, 2022
  - Pam Whitley, Bus Driver within the Fort Payne City School System, July 1, 2022

## II Personnel (Continued)

### B. Resignations

#### 1. Accepted the resignation of the following personnel, as submitted:

- Mark Scott, from the following positions, effective May 27, 2022
  - System-wide Special Education Teacher
  - Head Girls Golf Coach at Fort Payne High School
  - Head Boys Golf Coach at Fort Payne High School
- Karen Wright, School Nurse at Fort Payne High School, effective May 27, 2022
- Whitney Wigley, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Math Vertical Leadership Team at Wills Valley Elementary School, effective May 27, 2022
- Payton Kirby, Pre-K Aide at Wills Valley Elementary School, effective May 27, 2022
- Steven Chesnut, Middle School Baseball Coach, effective May 15, 2022
- Dylan Young, from the following positions, effective May 27, 2022
  - Physical Education Teacher at Fort Payne Middle School
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach
- Sherry Noles, ELA Teacher at Fort Payne Middle School, effective May 27, 2022

### C. Leaves

1. Approved a request from Kellie Poe, Pre-K Teacher at Wills Valley Elementary School, for a One Year Leave of Absence, effective for the 2022-2023 school year, as submitted.

### D. Contracts

1. Approved the non-renewal contract for the following Fort Payne City School Personnel for the 2022-2023 school year, as submitted.
  - Support
  - Certified
2. Approved the contract renewal for the following Fort Payne City School Personnel for the 2022-2023 school year, as submitted.
  - One-year contract of Support Personnel
  - Support Personnel
  - One-year contract of Certified Personnel
  - Certified Personnel

### E. Transfers

#### 1. Approved the transfer of the following personnel, as submitted:

- Jessica Hayes, Half-time English Teacher at Fort Payne High School and Half-time Central Office Administrative Assistant, to a Full-time Central Office Administrative Assistant, effective July 1, 2022
- Lori Bible, Curriculum Coach at Fort Payne High School, to a Secondary Interventionist Teacher, at Fort Payne High School, effective August 1, 2023
- Stormy Stevens, Head Tennis Coach at Fort Payne High School, to Assistant Tennis Coach at Fort Payne High School, effective July 1, 2022
- Logan Wright, Assistant Tennis Coach at Fort Payne High School, effective July 1, 2022
- Amanda Davis, Secondary Interventionist at Fort Payne Middle School, to 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA Teacher, at Fort Payne Middle School, effective August 1, 2022

E. Transfers (Continued)

- Kaitlyn Veal, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher at Wills Valley Elementary School, to a 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher at Little Ridge Intermediate School, effective August 1, 2022, and non-renew her contract on May 26, 2023
- Manda O’Daniel, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at Little Ridge Intermediate School, to a Librarian at Little Ridge Intermediate School, effective August 1, 2022
- Karen Fleming, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher at Little Ridge Intermediate School, to a 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at Little Ridge Intermediate School, effective August 1, 2022
- Brittany Hunter, System-wide SPE Aide, to LPN at Williams Avenue Elementary School, effective for the 2022-2023 school year
- Mandy Holcomb, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher at Wills Valley Elementary School, to a 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher at Wills Valley Elementary School, effective August 1, 2022

F. Recommendations

1. Approved the recommendation of the follow employees within the Fort Payne City School System, effective August 1, 2022, and non -renew their contract on May 26, 2023, as submitted:

- Allison Kincer, Argi-Science Teacher at Fort Payne Middle School
- Cora Young, System-wide Special Education Teacher
- Kelsie Green, System-wide Special Education Teacher Certificate
- Alicia Mahan, System-wide EL Teacher
- Kara Gallegos-Corona, System-wide EL Teacher
- Emma Hartline, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher at Wills Valley Elementary School
- Rachael Walker, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher at Wills Valley Elementary School
- George James Scott, Custodian at LRIS, effective June 1, 2022 and non-renew his contract on June 30, 2023

G. Other

1. Approved the additions to the following substitute personnel list, effective for the 2021-2022 school year, as submitted:

- Bus
- CNP

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

- Jennifer List, Principal at LRIS
  - LRIS 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Robotics Team – International Razorback Invitational May 18-22, 2022- Fayetteville, Arkansas
- Patrick Barnes
  - FPHS HOSA Team – International Leadership Conference

IV Approved the request to adopt an Outside State-Adopted List Textbook, for the 2022-2023 school year, as submitted:

- FPHS - The Language of Composition by Bedford, Freeman and Worth

V Approved the creation, advertising, and filling of a Reading and Math School Improvement Team, at Wills Valley Elementary School and Little Ridge Intermediate School, effective July 1, 2022, as submitted.

VI Approved the creation, job description, advertising, and filling of a CNP Program Lead Manager, within the Fort Payne City School System, effective August 1, 2022, as submitted.

VII Approved the April 2022, financial statements and bank reconciliation reports, as submitted.

## VIII Superintendent's Report

Mr. Jett expressed his appreciation again, to Mr. Durham for his outstanding service as a school board member of FPCS for the past 20 years.

Mr. Jett was very excited to announce there were 257 2022 FPHS Graduates. He expressed his congratulations and best wishes to each of them.

Mr. Jett expressed his congratulations to 8th graders BreAnna Hyatt and Claire Greenwood! They were recognized at Northeast Alabama Community College's Awards Day for their winning writing. BreAnna's short story "The Things We Never Said," Claire's essay, "Reading Leads to Success," each won 3rd place in the *Aurora* writing contest for their respective categories. The students' work will be published in *Aurora* magazine later this year. We are proud of these young writers!

Mr. Jett was pleased to recognize the FPHS Tech Teams for their State Technology accomplishments. Congratulations to each participant and the Instructors.

### 73 Total Projects placed at state this year.

- 31 - 1st Place Projects
- 22 - 2nd Place Projects
- 20 - 3rd Place Projects

Mr. Jett expressed his congratulation to the FPHS girls track team for winning the 6A section 4 championship for the 8<sup>th</sup> year in a row. There were 20 athletes qualified for the state meet.

Mr. Jett was happy to announce the following. Congratulations to all coaches and team members.

- Softball made it to the regional finals
- Boys soccer made it to the final four
- Girls soccer made it to the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of playoffs

Mr. Jett expressed his congratulations to the girls track team for being the 6A Section 4 Champions for the 8<sup>th</sup> year in a row.

Mr. Jett congratulated to the both the boys and girls track team for their outstanding performances at the 6A state track meet! 23 Fort Payne athletes qualified for the state meet.

- Mariella Sebastian placed 8th in the discus.
- Skyler Cody placed 8th in the 110m hurdles.
- Shaq Hawkins placed 8<sup>th</sup> in the high jump jumping 6 feet 4 inches.
- Maddie Jackson set a new school record in the mile running 5:16.
- Lennon Ibsen set a new school record in the triple jump of 37 feet placing 4th.
- Darrell Prater placed second in the javelin and set a new school record of 175 feet 9 inches.
- Aubrey Evans placed third in the high jump with a jump of 5 feet 4 inches.
- The girls 4x800 m relay team placed 2nd and set a new school record of 9:43.
- (Anahi Barboza, Maddie Jackson, Madison Wright, Abigail Vega)
- Lennon Ibsen is the 6A state champion in the pole vault jumping 12 feet 6 inches!

The girls team placed 7<sup>th</sup> overall at state.

9 school records were broken this year:

- Maddie Jackson girls 1600m run 5:16.74
- Girls 4x800m relay 9:43.10  
(Anahi Barboza, Maddie Jackson, Madison Wright, Abigail Vega)
- Maddie Jackson girls 5k 19:01.00
- Lennon Ibsen girls triple jump 37'0"
- Lennon Ibsen girls pole vault 12'8"
- Patrick Sherrill boys triple jump 43'2.25"

## VIII Superintendent's Report

- Malik Turner boys high jump 6'6"
- Aubrey Evans girls high jump 5'7
- Darrell Prater boys javelin 175'9"

Congratulations to all on a great season!

Mr. Jett congratulated the LRIS STEAM Robotics 5<sup>th</sup> grade Rookie Team Fast Photons for their outstanding performance at the FIRST LEGO League Razorback Open Invitational held on the campus of the University of Arkansas. Their 3<sup>rd</sup> place state champion win qualified the following students to compete with 80 teams representing 28 states in the United States and 6 countries:

- Elia Al-Halaseh
- Luz Pedro
- Luke Byrd
- Alfredo Diego
- Dana Francisco Jiménez
- Molly Griffith
- Caden Hairell
- Rebeca Rodriguez-Lopez
- Ava Grace Walker
- Carrie Wells

They wowed judges in two areas: their innovative solution, THE CLAW, which makes packages easier to carry as well as their teamwork skills. What an impressive feat to go from 34,000 teams ages 10-16 worldwide to the top 200!

Mr. Jett announced the Kindergarten Graduation will be held tomorrow, May 25, 2022 at 8:30 am, 10:00 am, 11:00 am and 1:00 pm in the WVES Gymnasium.

- IX The Board voted unanimously to elect Carolyn Martin as the Board President for the 2022-2023 school year.
- X The Board voted unanimously to elect Neal Baine as the Board Vice-President for the 2022-2023 school year.
- XI Approved June 16, 2022, at 6:00 PM in the conference room of the Central Office as the date, time and place of the next regular Board Meeting.
- XII Adjourned