

FORT PAYNE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BOARD BRIEFS

September 23, 2021, Regular Monthly Meeting, 6:00 PM, Conference Room of the Central Office

- I Called the meeting to order and welcomed the guests.
- II Established a quorum.
- III Approved the following minutes, as submitted.
  - August 24, 2021, called meeting (First Budget Hearing)
  - August 26, 2021, called meeting (Final Budget Hearing)
  - August 26, 2021, regular monthly meeting
- IV Presentations
  - 1, Guest Speaker – Melanie Miller
  2. Jay Grubbs, Grubbs and Walker Consulting
- V Personnel
  - A. Leaves
    1. Approved a request from Kimberly Butler, Librarian at Little Ridge Intermediate School, for a seven (7) day unpaid Leave of Absence, effective for the following dates, as submitted:
      - August 25, 2021
      - August 26, 2021
      - August 27, 2021
      - September 09, 2021
      - September 10, 2021
      - September 12, 2021
      - September 14, 2021
    2. Approved a request from Meghan Carr, Math Interventionist at Wills Valley Elementary School, for a Leave of Absence, effective October 29, 2021, through May 27, 2022, as submitted.
  - B. Recommendations
    1. Approved the following recommendation, as submitted:
      - Dylan Young.
        - PE Teacher at Fort Payne Middle School, effective September 14, 2021, and non-renew his contract on May 27, 2022
        - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach at Fort Payne Middle School, effective for the 2021-2022 school year
      - Kyle Coats, 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach, at Fort Payne High School, effective for the 2021-2022 school year
      - Tharis Chavez, System-Wide EL Aide, within the Fort Payne City School System, effective October 1, 2021, and non-renew her contact on May 27, 2022
      - Darrell Prater, as a Half-time Bus Driver, effective November 1, 2021, and non-renew his contract on May 26, 2022
      - Cody Willingham, as a Half-time Bus Driver, effective September 21, 2021, and non-renew his contract on May 26, 2022
      - Tashala Hill, as a System-wide Part-time Special Education Adie, effective September 24, 2021, submitted. Pending an ABI/FBI Background check.

C. Other

1. Approved the additions to the following substitute personnel list, effective for the 2021-2022 school year, as submitted:
  - CNP
  - Custodian
  - EDP
  - Nurse
  - Teacher
- VI Approved the following request for the following out of state travel, as submitted.
  - Patrick Barnes, Athletic Director/Principal at FPHS
    - FPHS – FFA Officers and Advisor, October 26-29, 2021  
National FFA Convention, Indianapolis, IN
    - FPHS – Varsity and JV Boys Soccer Teams, April 14, 2022  
Baylor High School, Chattanooga, TN
  - Jennifer List, Principal at LRIS
    - LRIS – 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Cross Country Team, October 22, 2021  
Trion Elementary School, Trion, Ga
  - Shane Byrd, Principal FPMS
    - FPMS- Cross Country Team, October 22, 2021  
Trion Elementary School, Trion GA
- VII Approved eight additional days be added to Kristie Conaway, ARI Specialist contract for work completed during the summer of 2021, as submitted.
- VIII Approved the job description (certified), creation, advertising and filling of a Part-time Central Office Administrative Assistant, as submitted
- IX Approved the following teachers be placed on a one-year ALSDE approved TEAMS Teacher contract in the area of Math, as submitted:
  - **Preliminary 1 Year Contract**
    - Taylor Thrash
- X Approved the creation of a Junior High Volleyball Coaching Position at Fort Payne High School, as submitted.
- XI Approved a contract with Grubbs and Walker Consulting as the Fort Payne City Schools Consulting Manager for the upcoming construction projects, as submitted.
- XII Approved the lowest bid substantially in compliance with the specifications in the amount of \$18,224.81 from Osborn Foodservice for supplemental grocery items, as submitted.
- XIII Approved a request for a Virtual Day option for 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Grade students on October 19, 2021, due to testing, as submitted.
- XIV Approved the August 2021 financial statements and bank reconciliation report, as submitted.
- XV Superintendent's Report  
Mr. Jett thanked the board for attending the board training on Tuesday, September 21st. The topic was Title IX: The Road to Compliance.  
He announced the next Board training session will be November 4, 2021 at 12:00pm in the conference room. The topic will be Student Discipline and Due Process.  
Mr. Jett announced the FPCS's current enrollment is at approximately 3,357 students Kindergarten through 12th grade. We also have around 147 Pre-K students.  
Mr. Jett reported that construction will begin October 4th on the baseball and softball fields.

- XV Superintendent's Report (Continued)  
Mr. Jett reminded everyone of Mr. Cunningham's retirement reception at Little Ridge Intermediate School gymnasium on Sunday, September 26th at 2:00pm. We will require that mask be worn and social distancing be observed.  
He also reminded everyone of the groundbreaking ceremony for the Building, Electrical, Aviation Technology Center, (BEAT) on Monday, September 27th at 10:00am. The ceremony will be held outside, behind the central office.  
"I wanted to thank all students, staff, parents and community members for a great start to the school year. I encourage everyone to go out and attend the football game tomorrow night as we travel to Etowah, the game begins at 7:00."
- XVI Selected Carolyn Martin as the Delegate to the Alabama Association of Schools Boards 2020 Convention and Delegate Assembly to be held December 2-4, 2021, in Birmingham, Alabama.
- XVII Selected Sharon Jones an Alternate Delegate to the Alabama Association of School Boards 2020 Convention and Delegate Assembly to be held December 2-4, 2021, in Birmingham, Alabama.
- XVIII Approved October 28, 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.
- XIX Adjourned