

BOARD BRIEFS
Fort Payne City Schools
Regular Meeting, May 18, 2017, 6 PM 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 27, 2017, regular board meeting, as submitted.

I Presentations

A. Retirement Resolutions

B. Mr. Gary Owen – Goodwyn Mills and Cawood

II Personnel

A. Resignations

1. Accepted the following resignations, as submitted:

- Mallory Durham, EL Teacher at FPMS, effective, May 31, 2017
- Tiffany Saint, 4th Grade Teacher at WAES, effective May 26, 2017.
- Yuliana Cedillo, EL Aide shared between FPMS and WVES, effective May 25, 2017
- Brittany Sharp, Junior Varsity Volleyball Coach, effective May 25, 2017
- Jimmy Poe, Half-time Bus Driver, effective May 25, 2017
- Lisa Shaddix, Junior High Volleyball Coach, effective May 17, 2017

B. Transfers

1. Approved the following transfers, effective for the 2017-2018 school year, as submitted:

- Richard Camp, from System-Wide Special Education Teacher at FPHS, to Agri-Science Teacher at FPHS
- Scott Shankles, from Science Teacher at FPHS, to Drivers Education Teacher at FPHS
- Ellen Benefield, from Fourth Grade Teacher at WAES, to Third Grade Teacher at WAES
- Amy Jones, from a First Grade Teacher at WVES, to a Kindergarten Teacher at WVES

C. Leaves

1. Approved the following leaves, as submitted:

- Chasity Gore, Third Grade Teacher at WAES, for a Leave of Absence, effective August 1, 2017, through January 1, 2018
- Angel McInnis, School Nurse/Aid at FPMS, for a Maternity Leave of 4.5 days, effective May 22, 2017 through May 26, 2017
- Jenny Owen, EL Teacher at WVES, for an Emergency Leave of Absence/Unavoidable Leave of Absence, effective May 9, 2017
- Melinda Dean, System-Wide Special Education Aide at FPMS, for an Emergency Leave of Absence/Unavoidable Leave of Absence, effective May 17, 2017

D. Appointments

1. Approved the following appointments, as submitted:

- Ashley Elliott Cole, as a Science Teacher, at FPHS, effective August 1, 2017, and non-renew her contract on May 25, 2018
- Angela Jeffery-Grizzard, as an EL Teacher at FPMS, effective August 1, 2017, and non-renew her contract on May 25, 2018

D. Appointments (Continued)

- Ashley Jackson, as the Head Cross Country Coach, at FPHS, effective for the 2017-2018 school year
- Jamie McClung, as the Summer Zero Robotics Science Camp Instructor, effective June 12, 2017 through July 21, 2017

B. Other

1. Approved the following agenda items, as submitted:

- Additions to the CNP substitute personnel lists, effective May 19, 2017
- Non-renewal list of support personnel for the 2017-2018 school year
- Non-renewal list of certified personnel for the 2017-2018 school year
- One-year contract list of support personnel for the 2017-2018 school year
- Rehiring list of support personnel for the 2017-2018 school year
- One-year contract list of certified personnel for the 2017-2018 school year
- Rehiring list of certified personnel for the 2017-2018 school year

III Approved a request from Brian Jett, Principal at Fort Payne High School/Athletic Director for the following out of state travel, as submitted:

- FPHS Varsity and JV Girls Basketball Teams – Heritage High School
 - June 12-14, 2017 – Ringgold, Georgia
- FPHS Varsity and JV Girls Basketball Teams – Webb School of Knoxville
 - June 15-16, 2017 – Knoxville, Tennessee
- FPHS Varsity and JV Boys Basketball Team – Gatlinburg-Pitman High School
 - June 14-16, 2017 – Pigeon Forge, Tennessee
- FPHS Varsity and JV Boys Basketball Teams – Rockmart High School
 - June 22, 2017 – Rockmart, Georgia
- FPHS TV Production Team – National Skills USA Competition
 - June 19-23, 2017 – Louisville, Kentucky

IV Approved Brian Hechler, to provide homebound services for a student and continue per physicians written orders until the student is able to return to school or moves out of the Fort Payne City School District, effective April 28, 2017.

V Approved the lowest bid substantially in compliance with the specifications in the amount of \$76,933.64 each from Ambit for the purchase and installation of a VoIP Phone System, as submitted.

VI Approved the lowest bid substantially in compliance with the specifications in the amount of \$68,700.00 from Datatronic Control, Inc. (DCI) for the purchase and installation of outdoor digital signs at Fort Payne High School, Williams Avenue Elementary School, and Wills Valley Elementary School, as submitted.

VII Approved entering into an Emergency Evacuation MOU between the DeKalb County Emergency Management Agency, and the Fort Payne City School System, effective May 18, 2017, as submitted.

VIII Approved the additional work days for the following positions, during the 2017-2018 summer, as submitted:

- Julie Caminiti, Elementary Technology Specialist – 18 days
- Jackie Jennings, Secondary Technology Specialist – 35 days
- Michelle Pettis, Elementary Gifted Teacher – 20 days
- Sherri Gibbs, Elementary Math Coach – 20 days
- Ellie Pitts, Reading Coach – 15 days
- Regina Boatwright, WVES Counselor – 10 days

- IX** Approved the advertising and filling of the 2017-2018 Extended Day Program staff, effective August 10, 2017, as submitted:
- 1 Site Director
 - 3 Teachers
 - 3 Aides
- X** Approved the advertising and filling of the 2017-2018 Home Instruction for Parents of Pre-school Youngsters staff, effective August 1, 2017, as submitted:
- 1 HIPPY Site Program Coordinator
 - 3 Parent Educators
- XI** Approved the creation, advertising and filling of a K-4 Vertical Leadership Team, this team will consist of two members from each grade level in the subject areas of language arts and math, as submitted.
- XII** Approved a contract with Buck Keef to cut and remove hay from approximately 13 acres, adjacent to WVES and directly in front of the Transportation Department, for a period of (2) years, as submitted.
- XIII** Approved the April 2017, financial statements and bank reconciliation report, as submitted.
- XIV** ***Superintendent's Report***
- Mr. Cunningham congratulated Mrs. Michele Pettis and the Williams Avenue Elementary 4th Grade Gifted Class for placing 2nd in the McWane Science Center's "*Celebrate Science Exhibit Prototype Competition*". They won \$1000 for their classroom. Through this project based learning program the 4th grade gifted class has won a total of \$3500 over the past 4 years. Mr. Cunningham congratulated Steve Black and the Video Production Team for placing 2nd in the Alabama Association of School Boards video contest, "*How We Achieve Excellence in Our Schools*". They will be honored on December 9, 2017, at the AASB Annual Convention. He also, congratulated Mr. Black and the AV Communications team of Jackson Gilbert and Hunter Womach for qualifying to compete in the *Skills USA National Competition*. The competition will be held in Louisville, KY and is scheduled for June 19 through June 23, 2017. Mr. Cunningham recognized JROTC Cadet Corey Doremus for his heroic act that led to him receiving the *Cadet Command Medal of Heroism*. "His actions are a credit to our community." Mr. Cunningham expressed his appreciation to GameTime for partnering with Mr. Gary Bell and our Welding Program at Fort Payne High School by providing Adrian Gallegos, Zachary Owen, and Nathan Eason with welding internships in their plant. All three interns will become full time employees at GameTime effective June 5, 2017.
- Mr. Cunningham congratulated Mrs. Jeannie Woods English Language Arts class at Fort Payne Middle School for their writing awards:
- Kailey Adams, 3rd place – short story, Aurora Writing Contest, Northeast Alabama Community College
 - Rebekah Riddle, 3rd place – essay, Aurora Writing Contest, Northeast Alabama Community College
 - Ibet Perez, 3rd place - poetry, Aurora Writing Contest, Northeast Alabama Community College
 - Allie Bannister – 2nd place – poetry, Aurora Writing Contest, Northeast Alabama Community College
 - Arturo Rodriguez, winner – short story, Imagining the Holocaust Writing Contest, Jacksonville State University

XIV Superintendent's Report (Continued)

Mr. Cunningham announced the following end of the year activities:

- Class Night at Fort Payne High School is scheduled for Tuesday, May 23, 2017, at 7 p.m. in the Gymnasium.
- Kindergarten Graduation is scheduled for Thursday, May 25, 2017, at the Wills Valley Recreation Center. Times- 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., and 1:00 p.m.
- Fort Payne High School Class of 2017 Graduation – Thursday night at 7 PM at Wildcat Stadium.

V Election of Board Officers for the 2017-2018 school year

The Board elected Mr. Jimmy Durham to serve as Board President for the 2017-2018 school year.

The Board elected Mr. Randy McClung to serve as Board Vice-President for the 2017-2018 school year.

XVI Approved June 29, 2017, at 6:00 PM in the conference room of the Central Office as the date, time and place of the next regular board meeting.

XVII Adjourned