

FORT THOMAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS
Board of Education Regular Meeting
Fort Thomas City Building – 130 N. Fort Thomas Avenue
Fort Thomas, Kentucky 41075
September 11, 2023
6:30PM

Attendance Taken at 6:27 PM:

Present Board Members:

Mr. Jeff Beach
Mr. Clem Fennell IV
Mrs. Sarah Foster
Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein
Mrs. Ann Meyer

I. OPENING OF MEETING

Board Chair Ann Meyer called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Recognitions

1. Board Bravos and Updates

The following was shared:

- Woodfill's Spaghetti Dinner is September 15 and Big Top Festival is September 17
- HHS Homecoming Parade is October 4 kicking off the Homecoming weekend
- US News & World Report ranked HHS #3 in the state and #1 in NKY
- HHS has 5 National Merit Semifinalists and 5 Navigo Scholars

C. Student Showcase - Moyer: Humphrey the Therapy Dog

Moyer students gave a presentation and shared about their personal experiences with Humphrey the Therapy Dog. Students presenting were:

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| • Serafina Deinlein | • David Soto |
| • Riley Stirrat | • David De Leon De Leon |
| • Vera Beck | • Alan Mundo Lopez |
| • Elizabeth Sizemore | • Emma Gilkerson |
| • Kellan Knight | • Elliot Hills |
| • Jack Walsh | |

The Board thanked the students for their presentation and gave each a "Rich in Tradition" t-shirt.

D. Community Forum

II. ACTION ITEMS

A. Highlands Roof Replacement

1. Project Update

Jerry Wissman provided an update on the project noting the project is going well that work at the gym and office entrances would be done during fall break.

2. Imbus Roofing Pay Application #3

Order #2468 - Motion Passed: Approval of Pay Application #3 to Imbus Roofing in the amount of \$214,313.40 for the Highlands Roof Replacement project passed with a motion by Mrs. Sarah Foster and a second by Mr. Clem Fennell IV.

Mr. Jeff Beach	Yes
Mr. Clem Fennell IV	Yes
Mrs. Sarah Foster	Yes
Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein	Yes
Mrs. Ann Meyer	Yes

B. Guaranteed Energy Savings Contract (GESCC)

1. Project Update

Jerry Wissman provided an update on the project noting that lighting is nearly complete and the last large item for this project is the cooling tower which will be installed during fall break.

2. CMTA Pay Application #6

Order #2469 - Motion Passed: Approval of Pay Application #6 to CMTA, Inc. in the amount of \$379,419.53 for the Guaranteed Energy Savings Contract program passed with a motion by Mr. Jeff Beach and a second by Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein.

Mr. Jeff Beach	Yes
Mr. Clem Fennell IV	Yes
Mrs. Sarah Foster	Yes
Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein	Yes
Mrs. Ann Meyer	Yes

C. Establish Additional Cafeteria Position

Order #2470 - Motion Passed: Approval to establish an additional cafeteria position at Highlands Middle School passed with a motion by Mrs. Sarah Foster and a second by Mr. Clem Fennell IV.

Mr. Jeff Beach	Yes
Mr. Clem Fennell IV	Yes
Mrs. Sarah Foster	Yes
Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein	Yes
Mrs. Ann Meyer	Yes

D. Working Budget for 2023-24

Order #2471 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Working Budget for 2023-24 passed with a motion by Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein and a second by Mr. Jeff Beach.

Mr. Jeff Beach	Yes
Mr. Clem Fennell IV	Yes
Mrs. Sarah Foster	Yes
Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein	Yes
Mrs. Ann Meyer	Yes

E. Approval of Legal Counsel

Order #2472 - Motion Passed: Approval of Mary Ann Stewart with the law firm of Adams Law, PLLC to continue to provide legal counsel passed with a motion by Mr. Jeff Beach and a second by Mr. Clem Fennell IV.

Mr. Jeff Beach	Yes
Mr. Clem Fennell IV	Yes
Mrs. Sarah Foster	Yes
Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein	Yes
Mrs. Ann Meyer	Yes

F. District Funding Assurances

Order #2473 - Motion Passed: Approval of the District Funding Assurances for 2023-24 passed with a motion by Mrs. Sarah Foster and a second by Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein.

Mr. Jeff Beach	Yes
Mr. Clem Fennell IV	Yes
Mrs. Sarah Foster	Yes
Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein	Yes
Mrs. Ann Meyer	Yes

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. School-Based Decision Making (SBDM) Council Update

Keith Faust reported that all SBDM requirements for member training have been completed. He also shared the members of each school's council and noted that meeting dates, agendas and minutes are available on the school's webpage.

B. Title IX Report

Wes Caldwell shared that we met one of the three requirements needed to pass this year's Title IX report.

C. Board Committee Updates

No committees have met since the August board meeting.

IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Order #2474 - Motion Passed: With all Board members having had the opportunity to review and pursue any questions about all of the items contained therein, approval of the consent agenda passed with a motion by Mr. Jeff Beach and a second by Mrs. Sarah Foster.

Mr. Jeff Beach	Yes
Mr. Clem Fennell IV	Yes
Mrs. Sarah Foster	Yes
Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein	Yes
Mrs. Ann Meyer	Yes

A. Minutes of Regular Meeting of August 14, 2023; Tax Hearing Meeting of August 17, 2023; Special Meeting of August 17, 2023; and Working Meeting of September 7, 2023

B. Financial Report for Month of August 2023

C. Authorization for Payment of Claims

D. Declaration of Surplus Property

E. Revised Job Description

1. Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

F. Notification and Approval of Student Trips

1. HHS Volleyball - Frankfort KY - September 8-9, 2023

2. HHS Boys Golf - Bowling Green KY - September 8-9, 2023

G. Personnel Action Taken Since August 14, 2023

Change in Position for the following Certified Employees

Alyona Greene - from Part-time EL Teacher to Full-time EL Teacher - HHS

Rebecca Manyet - from Classified Health Sciences to Certified Health Sciences - HHS

Employment of the following Classified Employees

Jessica Eades - Instructional Assistant - WES

Emma Eide - Instructional Assistant - JES

Employment of the following Extra-Curricular Positions

Stephanie Beiting - National Honor Society (1/2 split) and Studio Art (1/2 split) - HHS

Brady Dowling - NHS Sponsor - HHS

Andy Eckerle - National Honor Society (1/2 split) and Studio Art (1/2 split) - HHS

Del Ehemann - Envirothon and Junior Class Co-Sponsor - HHS

Kym Grillot - Academic Team and Future Problem Solving - HHS

Emily Haffey - World Language / Spanish Club - HHS

Kevin Kampschmidt - Math Dept. Chair - HHS

Kimberly Klein - Science Dept. Chair - HMS

Kevin Listerman - Senior Sponsor - HHS

Heidi Neltner - Green Club - HHS

Meredith Reber - Tri-M Music (1/2 split) - HHS
Wesley Staff - Detention Monitor - HMS
Katie Stewart - Junior Class Co-Sponsor - HHS

Employment of the following Paraprofessional Position
Nancy Northern Willis - Journalism Club - MES

Change in Position for the following Paraprofessional Employees
John Hazeres - from Wrestling Coach - HHS to Wrestling Asst. Coach - HHS
Colin Roth - from Wrestling Asst. Coach - HHS to Wrestling Coach - HHS

Resignation of the following Classified Employee
Jeffrey Moore - Cafeteria Cook - HHS

Resignation of the following Extra-Curricular Positions
Susan Anderson - Science Dept. Chair - HMS
Lauren Peterson - Literacy Leader - HHS

Resignation of the following Paraprofessional Employee
Jaclyn Zenni - Academic Team Coach - MES

H. Grant Extended Leave

- 1. Del Ehemann (Medical - Approximately December 11, 2023, through January 16, 2024)**

I. Approval of Superintendent Travel

- 1. KASS Summit - Lexington KY - September 25-26, 2023**

V. OTHER BUSINESS

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Board Chair Ann Meyer adjourned the meeting at 7:13pm.

Chairperson

Superintendent