# FORT THOMAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS

# **Board of Education Meeting**

28 N. Fort Thomas Avenue Fort Thomas, Kentucky 41075 April 16, 2018 6:30PM

#### Attendance Taken at 6:30 PM:

Present Board Members:

Mrs. Karen Allen Mr. Bradley Fennell
Mr. Jeff Beach Mr. John Weyer
Mrs. Lisa Duckworth

#### I. OPENING OF MEETING

Board Chair Jeff Beach called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

## A. Pledge of Allegiance

## **B.** Recognition of Guests

#### 1. KMEA All-State

The following students were selected for All-State:

Elementary Chorus

John Exterkamp
Haylee Hogie
Georgia Horton
Evelyn Meyn
Eva Sarakatsannis

Middle School Chorus

Reese Dunbar
 Anne
 Exterkamp
 McKenna
 Pinkston

Jr. High Chorus

Zachary Baxter
Jennifer Harrah
Emma Horton
Zoe Zoller
Hank Slaby

**High School Chorus** 

Audrey Cann
 Ella Grimm
 Lexus Ossege

**Concert Band** 

Tony DeRosa (Trumpet)
 Noah Cooley (Trumpet)

Orchestra

Will Russell (Cello)
 Keely Reitman (Violin)

The Board recognized and congratulated the students, presenting each with a Certificate of Achievement and a "State Champion" t-shirt.

## 2. Case Grillot - National Geographic Bee State Winner

Case Grillot won the state championship in the National Geographic Bee. Case will represent Kentucky in the national finals in Washington, D.C., on May 20-23, 2018.

The Board recognized and congratulated Case, presenting him a Certificate of Achievement and a "state champion" t-shirt.

#### 3. STLP State Winners

The following students earned 1st place at the state STLP showcase:

- **Devin Harris** Graphic Design (Laramie Project Poster)
- **Tyler Brune** and **Jacob Lightner** Documentary Feature (American Sign Museum)

The Board recognized and congratulated the students, presenting each a Certificate of Achievement and a "State Champion" t-shirt.

#### 4. Kathy Anderson - KMEA Middle School Teacher of the Year

Kathy Anderson was named the Middle School Teacher of the Year by the Kentucky Music Educators Association.

The Board recognized and congratulated Kathy on her award and commended her dedication to students.

## 5. Trinity Walsh - KSCA High School Guidance Counselor of the Year

Trinity Walsh was named the High School Counselor of the Year by the Kentucky School Counselor Association.

The Board recognized and congratulated Trinity for her award and commended her dedication to students.

#### C. Student Showcase - JES:Drama Promotional Videos

Johnson Elementary students presented on "Artists and Residents: Drama Promotional videos". Student presenting were:

- Noah Huber
- Diego Race

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

#### **D.** Community Forum

Community member Bill Murray addressed the Board about damages to his property related to the construction of Moyer Elementary.

#### II. ACTION ITEMS

#### A. Highlands High School Renovation - Phase 4

## 1. Project Update

Jerry Wissman gave the Board an update on the status of this project.

## B. Highlands High School Renovation - Phase 4 Gymnasium

#### 1. Project Update

Jerry Wissman gave the Board an update on the status of this project, noting that Central Kentucky Glass is in the process of repairing the curtain wall.

#### C. Moyer Elementary Renovation

#### 1. Project Update

Jerry Wissman gave the Board an update on the status of this project, noting that we took over occupancy of the building over spring break as planned and that the project is nearing completion.

#### 2. Pay Application to Morel Construction

**Order #1832 - Motion Passed:** Approval of Pay Application #29 in the amount of \$443,559.50 to Morel Construction for the Moyer Elementary Renovation project passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Allen and a second by Mr. John Weyer.

| Mrs. Karen Allen    | Yes |
|---------------------|-----|
| Mr. Jeff Beach      | Yes |
| Mrs. Lisa Duckworth | Yes |
| Mr. Bradley Fennell | Yes |
| Mr. John Weyer      | Yes |

#### **D. Johnson Elementary Renovation**

#### 1. Project Update

Jerry Wissman informed the Board that the state legislature passed a budget that included \$7,612,400 for Johnson Elementary, which allows us to move forward with this project.

#### E. RFP for Insurance Services

The RFP includes Property, Fleet, General Liability, Educators' Legal Liability, Excess Umbrella Liability, Workers Compensation and Student insurance.

**Order #1833 - Motion Passed:** Approval of the RFP for Insurance services passed with a motion by Mrs. Lisa Duckworth and a second by Mr. John Weyer.

| Mrs. Karen Allen    | Yes |
|---------------------|-----|
| Mr. Jeff Beach      | Yes |
| Mrs. Lisa Duckworth | Yes |
| Mr. Bradley Fennell | Yes |
| Mr. John Weyer      | Yes |

## F. Award of Bids for Custodial Supplies

**Order #1834 - Motion Passed:** Approval to accept all bids and award contracts to the companies with the lowest/best bid that met individual item specifications passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Allen and a second by Mr. John Weyer.

| Mrs. Karen Allen    | Yes |
|---------------------|-----|
| Mr. Jeff Beach      | Yes |
| Mrs. Lisa Duckworth | Yes |
| Mr. Bradley Fennell | Yes |
| Mr. John Weyer      | Yes |

#### G. Award of Bid for Banking Services

**Order #1835 - Motion Passed:** Approval to accept all bids and award a contract to BB&T to provide banking services for two years with the option to extend for an additional year up to three times passed with a motion by Mrs. Lisa Duckworth and a second by Mrs. Karen Allen.

| Mrs. Karen Allen    | Yes |
|---------------------|-----|
| Mr. Jeff Beach      | Yes |
| Mrs. Lisa Duckworth | Yes |
| Mr. Bradley Fennell | Yes |
| Mr. John Weyer      | Yes |

## H. RFP for Publishing Services for 2018-19

**Order #1836 - Motion Passed:** Approval of the RFP for publishing services for 2018-19 passed with a motion by Mr. Bradley Fennell and a second by Mr. John Weyer.

| Mrs. Karen Allen    | Yes |
|---------------------|-----|
| Mr. Jeff Beach      | Yes |
| Mrs. Lisa Duckworth | Yes |
| Mr. Bradley Fennell | Yes |
| Mr. John Weyer      | Yes |

#### I. Resolution in Support of KY Public Education

**Order #1837 - Motion Passed:** Adoption of the Resolution in Support of Kentucky Public Education passed with a motion by Mrs. Lisa Duckworth and a second by Mr. Bradley Fennell.

| Mrs. Karen Allen    | Yes |
|---------------------|-----|
| Mr. Jeff Beach      | Yes |
| Mrs. Lisa Duckworth | Yes |
| Mr. Bradley Fennell | Yes |
| Mr. John Weyer      | Yes |

#### J. Employee Wellness Incentive

**Order #1838 - Motion Passed:** Approval of the Employee Wellness Incentive for participation in the 2018 YMCA Firecracker 5000 passed with a motion by Mr. Bradley Fennell and a second by Mrs. Karen Allen.

| Mrs. Karen Allen    | Yes |
|---------------------|-----|
| Mr. Jeff Beach      | Yes |
| Mrs. Lisa Duckworth | Yes |
| Mr. Bradley Fennell | Yes |
| Mr. John Weyer      | Yes |

## K. First Reading of Changes to Policy 08.221 - Grading

Order #1839 - Motion Passed: Tentative approval based on a First Reading of Policy 08.221

- Grading passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Allen and a second by Mr. John Weyer.

| Mrs. Karen Allen    | Yes |
|---------------------|-----|
| Mr. Jeff Beach      | Yes |
| Mrs. Lisa Duckworth | Yes |
| Mr. Bradley Fennell | Yes |
| Mr. John Weyer      | Yes |

#### III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

## A. Superintendent's Report

# 1. Legislative Update

Karen Cheser shared information from the recent legislative session.

## 2. Portrait of a Graduate Update

Karen Cheser updated the Board on the process of designing our portrait of a graduate.

## **B. Board Committee Updates**

Karen Allen shared that the Annual Alumni Association dinner was a sold-out success. This year's honorees are:

- Nancy Browning Elementary Teacher of the Year
- Kevin Nieporte Middle School Teacher of the Year
- Bill Poff High School Teacher of the Year
- Tom Jones Alumnus of the Year

Jeff Walz was the guest speaker.

#### IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

**Order** #1840 - 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 Mrs. Karen Allen and a second by Mrs. Lisa Duckworth.

| Mrs. Karen Allen    | Yes |
|---------------------|-----|
| Mr. Jeff Beach      | Yes |
| Mrs. Lisa Duckworth | Yes |
| Mr. Bradley Fennell | Yes |
| Mr. John Weyer      | Yes |

- A. Minutes of Regular Meeting of March 12, 2018, and Special Working Meeting of April 10, 2018
- **B. District Technology Report for March 2018**
- C. Financial Report for Month of March 2018
- **D. Food Service Report for March 2018**

## E. Attendance Report for 7th Month of 2017-18

#### F. Authorization for Payment of Claims

# G. Notification of Approval of Student Trips 1. HHS Envirothon - Bowling Green KY - April 19-20, 2018

## H. Personnel Action Taken Since March 12, 2018

<u>Employment of the following Certified Employee</u> Matthew Bertasso - Principal - HHS

Employment of the following Classified Employee
Dale Bartel - Custodian - MES

Employment of the following Paraprofessionals
Alex Dean - Soccer Girls Varsity Coach - HHS
Andy Raaker - Extracurricular Asst. - HHS
Tom Eckerle - Extracurricular Asst. - HHS
Dave Wormald - Extracurricular Asst. - HHS

Retirement of the following Certified Employees
Sybil McFadden - Speech Language Pathologist - MES
Denise Bernhard - Elementary Teacher - WES
Susan Martin - Library Media Specialist - WES
Teresa D'Ambrosio - Social Studies - HMS

Retirement of the following Classified Employee
Karen Ewing – Café Manager - MES

<u>Resignation of the following Certified Employee</u> Lee Gatens - Asst. Principal - HMS

<u>Resignation of the following Classified Employees</u> Kristina Vickers - Cafeteria - HMS Barbara Garrett - Custodian - WES

Julie Dashley - STLP Sponsor - JES
Katie Mills - Grade Level Leader K - JES
Megan Bibbins - Grade Level Leader 1 - JES
Amy Opitz - Grade Level Leader 2 - JES
Vicki Kaufman - Grade Level Leader 3 - JES

Resignation of the following Extra Service Positions

Sally Schoellman - Grade Level Leader 4 - JES

Katie Huber - Grade Level Leader 5 - JES

Jennifer Flynn - Grade Level Leader Specials - JES

## *Notification of the following Volunteers*

Brian Baioni - Softball - HHS Jess Greenwell - Softball - HHS Ray Sterling - Baseball- HHS Mike Welch - Football - HHS

#### V. OTHER BUSINESS

A. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Per KRS61.810(1)(b) - Discussion of the acquisition of real property.

**Order #1841 - Motion Passed:** Approval to enter into Executive Session at 8:55pm pursuant Per KRS61.810(1)(b) passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Allen and a second by Mrs. Lisa Duckworth.

| Mrs. Karen Allen    | Yes |
|---------------------|-----|
| Mr. Jeff Beach      | Yes |
| Mrs. Lisa Duckworth | Yes |
| Mr. Bradley Fennell | Yes |
| Mr. John Weyer      | Yes |

**Order #1842 - Motion Passed:** Approval to exit Executive Session at 11:15pm pursuant Per KRS61.810(1)(b) passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Allen and a second by Mrs. Lisa Duckworth.

| Mrs. Karen Allen    | Yes |
|---------------------|-----|
| Mr. Jeff Beach      | Yes |
| Mrs. Lisa Duckworth | Yes |
| Mr. Bradley Fennell | Yes |
| Mr. John Weyer      | Yes |

#### VI. ADJOURNMENT

Board Chair Jeff Beach adjourned the meeting at 11:15pm.

| <br>Chairperson    |  |
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| <br>Superintendent |  |