

FORT THOMAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS

Board of Education Regular Meeting

20 N. Grand Avenue – 1st Floor Convening Room

Fort Thomas, Kentucky 41075

March 8, 2021

6:30PM

Attendance Taken at 6:30 PM:

Present Board Members:

Mr. Jeff Beach

Mrs. Lisa Duckworth

Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein

Mrs. Ann Meyer

Absent Board Members:

Mr. Bradley Fennell

Updated Attendance:

Mr. Jeff Beach was updated to present
at: 6:47 PM

I. OPENING OF MEETING

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

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Recognition of Guests

1. ESEA Award - Moyer

The Board recognized and congratulated Moyer Elementary on being named a National Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Distinguished School; one of only 57 schools nationwide to receive the honor.

C. Community Forum

II. ACTION ITEMS

A. Johnson Elementary Replacement

Jerry Wissman provided the Board with an update on the status of this project, noting that it is heading into the final stages with the installation of casework and flooring. We remain on track to receive 30-day temporary occupancy in mid-May.

2. Change Order #6

Order #2195 - Motion Passed: Approval of Change Order #6 in the amount of \$20,161.00 for the Johnson Elementary Replacement project passed with a motion by Mrs. Lisa Duckworth and a second by Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein.

Mr. Jeff Beach	Absent
Mrs. Lisa Duckworth	Yes
Mr. Bradley Fennell	Absent
Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein	Yes
Mrs. Ann Meyer	Yes

3. Pay Application to Morel Construction

Order #2196 - Motion Passed: Approval of Pay Application #24 to Morel Construction in the amount of \$1,070,893.63 for the Johnson Elementary Replacement project passed with a motion by Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein and a second by Mrs. Lisa Duckworth.

Mr. Jeff Beach	Absent
Mrs. Lisa Duckworth	Yes
Mr. Bradley Fennell	Absent
Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein	Yes
Mrs. Ann Meyer	Yes

B. RFP for Custodial Supplies

Order #2197 - Motion Passed: Approval of the RFP for Custodial Supplies passed with a motion by Mrs. Lisa Duckworth and a second by Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein.

Mr. Jeff Beach	Absent
Mrs. Lisa Duckworth	Yes
Mr. Bradley Fennell	Absent
Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein	Yes
Mrs. Ann Meyer	Yes

C. RFP for Insurance Services

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

Order #2198 - Motion Passed: Approval of the RFP for Insurance services passed with a motion by Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein and a second by Mrs. Lisa Duckworth.

Mr. Jeff Beach	Absent
Mrs. Lisa Duckworth	Yes
Mr. Bradley Fennell	Absent
Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein	Yes
Mrs. Ann Meyer	Yes

D. Resolution Authorizing Finance Corporation to Issue Revenue Refunding Bonds

Order #2199 - Motion Passed: Adoption of a Resolution of the Board of Education of Fort Thomas Independent School District, Fort Thomas, Kentucky; authorizing and approving the refunding of certain outstanding Fort Thomas Independent School District Finance Corporation School Building Revenue Bonds, Series 2012; approving the plan of refunding the Series 2012 bonds; authorizing the execution of a contract, lease and option with the Fort Thomas Independent School District Finance Corporation; approving the execution of continuing disclosure procedures, and any further necessary instruments passed with a motion by Mrs. Lisa Duckworth and a second by Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein.

Mr. Jeff Beach	Yes
Mrs. Lisa Duckworth	Yes
Mr. Bradley Fennell	Absent
Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein	Yes
Mrs. Ann Meyer	Yes

E. Audit Services

Order #2200 - Motion Passed: Approval of contract for Audit Services for 2020-21 with Barnes Dennig passed with a motion by Mr. Jeff Beach and a second by Mrs. Lisa Duckworth.

Mr. Jeff Beach	Yes
Mrs. Lisa Duckworth	Yes
Mr. Bradley Fennell	Absent
Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein	Yes
Mrs. Ann Meyer	Yes

F. Request for Waiver for Shortened School Day

Request approval of a shortened school day for a student under the age of 18 and within our District boundaries. Medical and educational records indicate health concerns and conditions that compromise the ability to tolerate a full school day. After careful consideration of all relevant information, including input from physicians, family and educators, the Admissions and Release Committee (ARC) has recommended a shortened school day, with the goal of gradually increasing time at school as health conditions allow.

Order #2201 - Motion Passed: Approval of the request for waiver for a shortened school day passed with a motion by Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein and a second by Mr. Jeff Beach.

Mr. Jeff Beach	Yes
Mrs. Lisa Duckworth	Yes
Mr. Bradley Fennell	Absent
Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein	Yes
Mrs. Ann Meyer	Yes

G. Amend 2020-21 School Calendar

Order #2202 - Motion Passed: Approval to amend the 2020-21 school calendar to May 28, 2021, as the last day for students passed with a motion by Mrs. Lisa Duckworth and a second by Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein.

Mr. Jeff Beach	Yes
Mrs. Lisa Duckworth	Yes
Mr. Bradley Fennell	Absent
Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein	Yes
Mrs. Ann Meyer	No

H. ESSER II Assurances

As part of the ongoing monitoring of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSA), and the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER II Fund), the Kentucky Department of Education is required to comply with Section 442 of the General Education Provisions Act (20 U.S.C. 1232e).

Order #2203 - Motion Passed: Approval of the ESSER II Assurances passed with a motion by Mr. Jeff Beach and a second by Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein.

Mr. Jeff Beach	Yes
Mrs. Lisa Duckworth	Yes

Mr. Bradley Fennell	Absent
Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein	Yes
Mrs. Ann Meyer	Yes

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Superintendent's Report

1. 2020-21 State Assessments Update (K-PREP)

Bill Bradford shared information about the Kentucky state assessments (K-PREP) which will be administered in May 2021 for students in grades 3-8, 10, and 11.

Assessed content areas will be in Reading, Mathematics, Science, and Writing. The Social Studies Field Test is being further considered for implementation by the Kentucky Department of Education at this time. A student survey (Opportunities to Learn and Quality of School Climate and Safety) will also be administered at this time.

B. Board Committee Updates

Jeff Beach shared that the Superintendent Screening Committee is currently in process of candidate interviews. A joint meeting with the Board will be scheduled next week where the committee will report their findings.

IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Order #2204 - 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. Julie Kuhnhein.

Mr. Jeff Beach	Yes
Mrs. Lisa Duckworth	Yes
Mr. Bradley Fennell	Absent
Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein	Yes
Mrs. Ann Meyer	Yes

A. Minutes of Regular Meeting of February 8, 2021; and Working Board Meeting of March 4, 2021

B. District Technology Report for February 2021

C. Financial Report for Month of February 2021

D. Food Service Report

E. Attendance Report for 6th Month of 2020-21

F. Authorization for Payment of Claims

G. Revised Extra Service Pay Schedule for 2020-21

H. Personnel Action Taken Since February 8, 2021

Employment of the following Certified Position

Robert Sphire - PE/Counselor - HHS

Employment of the following Classified Position

Jordan Henry - Custodian - WES

Employment of the following Extra Service Position

Robert Sphire - Head Football Coach - HHS

Employment of the following Extra-Curricular Assistant Positions

Dan Ossege - Odyssey of the Mind - HMS

Mikayla Snyder - Girls Tennis - HHS

Retirement of the following Certified Position

Kathy Anderson - Strings Teacher - HMS

I. Grant Extended Leave

1. **Carla Menz (Medical - Approximately March 4, through March 19, 2021)**
2. **Shannon Henson - (Maternity - Approximately April 12, through September 15, 2021)**
3. **Olivia Bryant - (Maternity - Approximately April 29, through June 1, 2021)**
4. **Kristin Wilson - (Maternity - Approximately May 9, through June 1, 2021)**

V. OTHER BUSINESS

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Board Chair Ann Meyer adjourned the meeting at 7:21pm.

Chairperson

Superintendent