

FORT THOMAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS

Board of Education Regular Meeting

20 N. Grand Avenue – 1st Floor Convening Room

Fort Thomas, Kentucky 41075

October 18, 2021

6:30PM

Attendance Taken at 6:23 PM:

Present Board Members:

Mr. Jeff Beach

Mrs. Lisa Duckworth

Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein

Mrs. Ann Meyer

Absent Board Members:

Mr. Bradley Fennell

I. OPENING OF MEETING

Board Chair Ann Meyer called the meeting to order at 6:31pm.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Recognition of Guests

1. National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists/Commended

The Board recognized and congratulated the following HHS students who were named in the 2022 National Merit Scholarship program:

Semifinalists:

- Katie Wilson
- Logan Walsh

Commended Students:

- Isaac Bassett
- Thomas "Mercer" Edlund

Each was given a certificate of achievement and a "Rich in Tradition" t-shirt

2. NFHS Coach of the Year Award

The Board recognized and congratulated Kevin Listerman who was named the Boys Basketball Coach of the Year by the NFHS Coaches Association.

C. Student Showcase: HHS FACS and FCCLA

Students in FACS and FCCLA presented information and shared personal experiences about the courses and opportunities offered. Students presenting were:

- Ashley Coulter
- Kate Carris
- Helen Campbell
- Madeline Dadosky
- Aly Welch
- Gracie Blasingame

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

D. Community Forum

Community member Carl Chalk addressed the Board with his comments on curriculum.

Community member Joan Ferris addressed the Board with questions about the Kentucky School Board Association and the National School Board Association.

Parent Mirna Eads addressed the Board requesting that school incident notices be sent through phone/text alerts before IC/email messaging.

FTEA president Kelly Booth presented the FTEA recognition of the following teachers:

- Katie Carelock - HHS Math - recognized for always being willing to go above and beyond to help students with math, whether they are in her class or not. Her smile and positive attitude creates a classroom of respect. She is a master of getting students to buy into and connect with skills and content that many students find difficult. Mrs. Carelock consistently makes it clear that she cares about her students.
- Amy Fry - HMS English - an educator that embodies the values that set FTIS teachers apart from their counterparts across the nation. Mrs. Fry works diligently to prepare our eighth graders to be life-long readers and writers. In addition to preparing students for their next steps academically, Mrs. Fry takes the time to make sure that all of her students are doing all right. This attention to students' needs is critical in helping them become life-long learners.
- Katy Wall - Moyer 1st Grade - her leadership has been critical in making Leader in Me at Moyer a success. She has risen to the challenge in a way that serves as an excellent example to our students as they prepare to face the challenges of the 21st century. Mrs. Wall is going the extra mile by accepting applications for students' roles as part of the Leader in Me program and is taking the time to recognize their hard work. This labor of love is part of making Moyer a great place to teach and learn.

II. ACTION ITEMS

A. Johnson Elementary Replacement

1. Project Update

Jerry Wissman provided an update on the status of this project noting that we are working on resolving all remaining issues before closing the project.

2. Pay Application to Morel Construction

Order #2279 - Motion Passed: Approval of Pay Application #31 to Morel Construction in the amount of \$202,100.00 for the Johnson Elementary Replacement project passed with a motion by Mrs. Lisa Duckworth and a second by Mrs. Julie Kuhnhein.

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

B. Revision to Policy 05.31 - First Reading

Order #2280 - Motion Passed: Tentative approval based on a First Reading for proposed changes to Policy 05.31 - Rental Application and Contract 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

C. Memorandum of Agreement with FTEF

Order #2281 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Memorandum of Agreement with the FTEF 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

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Brigrance Screening

Jamee Flaherty presented data from the Brigrance Screening, noting that 87% of our kindergarteners are ready to begin school.

B. Summer Enrichment Report

Jamee Flaherty presented and discussed the offerings and student participation in the 2021 Summer Enrichment program. This year we had 349 students enrolled in 26 classes.

C. 2021 Kentucky Assessment & Accountability Data

Bill Bradford presented and reviewed the 2021 Kentucky Assessment and Accountability data, noting that our Proficient/Distinguished rates are high and 1 of every 5 EL student reached EL attainment.

D. Fall 2021 STAR Benchmark Data

Bill Bradford presented and discussed the STAR Benchmark Data for Fall 2021.

E. Board Committee Updates

Julie Kuhnhein reported that the Title IX committee met to discuss student athletic opportunities.

IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Order #2282 - 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. 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

A. Minutes of Regular Meeting of September 13, 2021; and Working Board Meeting of October 14, 2021

B. Financial Report for Month of September 2021

C. District Technology Report - 1st Quarter

D. Attendance Report for 2nd Month of 2021-22

E. Authorization for Payment of Claims

F. Notification and Approval of Student Trips

1. HHS FCCLA - Washington D.C. - November 4-7, 2021
2. HMS KYA - Louisville KY - December 9-11, 2021
3. HHS Drama Club - NYC NY - April 4-9, 2022

G. Approval of Use of Alternate Transportation

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H. Personnel Action Taken Since September 13, 2021

Employment of the following Classified Employees

Jason Linkous - Custodian - HMS

Stephanie Laake – Café Monitor - MES

Employment of the following Extra-Curricular Positions

Rachel Burnett - Spanish Club Advisor - HHS

Joy Layman - Kindergarten Grade Level Leader - WES

Samantha Reynolds - 2nd Grade Level Leader - WES

David Rockel - Chess Club Sponsor - WES

Kim Schnier - Robotics Lego League Sponsor - WES

Wesley Staff - Practical Living Dept. Chair - HMS

Samuel Volpenhein - Detention Hall - HHS

Elizabeth Waymeyer - 4th Grade Level Leader - WES

Employment of the following Paraprofessional Employees

Almonzo Brown - Football Extra-Curricular Assistant - HHS

Doug Bryant - Football Extra-Curricular Assistant - HHS

Nancy Northern-Willis - Basketball Extra-Curricular Assistant - MES

Employment of the following Certified Substitutes

Allison Berkley

Kim Smith

Megan Stubbs

Change in Paraprofessional Position

Austin Bryant - from Freshman Baseball Coach to JV Baseball Coach - HHS

Resignation of the following Classified Employees

Thomas Crabtree - Custodian - HHS

Patti McGill – Café Monitor - MES

Resignation of the following Extra- Curricular Position

Daniel Skidmore - Spanish Club Advisor - HHS

I. Grant Extended Leave

- 1. Jane Wiseman (Medical - Approximately October 6, 2021, through January 7, 2022)**
- 2. Bethany Howard (Medical - Approximately October 12, through November 12, 2021)**

J. Approval of Superintendent Travel

- 1. New Supt. Cohort - Louisville KY - October 25, 2021**
- 2. New Supt. Cohort - Louisville KY - November 11, 2021**

V. OTHER BUSINESS

Brian Robinson reminded everyone of the following upcoming events:

- October 28 - Community Conversation @ Moyer
- November 13 - Santa House @ Moyer from 10am - 5pm
- November 16 - Community Conversation @ Johnson

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Board Chair Ann Meyer adjourned the meeting at 8:18pm.

Chairperson

Superintendent