

Executive Summary Fayette County Public Schools Board Meeting Agenda Item

MEETING: Planning

DATE: 8/8/2016

TOPIC: Approval of Designation of 701 E. Main as Historic site with Bluegrass Trust

PREPARED BY: Myron Thompson

Recommended Action on: 8/22/2016 Action Item for Vote (REGULAR MEETING)

Superintendent Prior Approval: No

Recommendation/Motion: Approve the placement of a Bluegrass Trust plaque on the Guy S. Potts Building, 701 E. Main St.

Background/Rationale: The facility at 701 E. Main Street was constructed in 1928 as Henry Clay High School and was the largest city high school in Lexington at that time. The distinguished alumni list includes a host of prominent local, state and nationally recognized individuals. In 1970 the high school program moved to a new facility located on Fontaine Rd. and after a brief renovation was repurposed as the central office facility for Fayette County Public Schools. The Facility was renamed for Guy S. Potts, who served as superintendent from 1961-1984. The District has been approached by the Bluegrass Trust for Historic Preservation to designate the facility as a historic site and will provide a plaque for the property. The designation places no restrictions on the facility in terms of renovations or repairs and has been requested only to recognize the facility's importance as a structure with historical significance to Lexington/Fayette County.

Policy: 01.11 General Powers and Duties of the Board

Fiscal Impact: None

Attachments(s): None

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