

# **RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS**

## **(MINUTES)**

Board of Education Regular Meeting

December 15, 2022

The Fayette County Board of Education met in Room 150 of the John D. Price Administration Building, located at 450 Park Place Lexington, KY 40511 at 6 p.m. on December 15, 2022 with the following members present:

**Attendance Taken at: 6:04 p.m.**

### **Present Board Members:**

Ms. Amy Green

Mr. Tom Jones

Mr. Tyler Murphy

Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires

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### **Administration Present**

Demetrus Liggins, Superintendent

Houston Barber, Deputy Superintendent

Meocha Williams, Assistant Superintendent of Academic Services

Shelley Chatfield, Chief Legal Officer

Jennifer Dyar, Chief Human Resources Officer

Myron Thompson, Chief Operating Officer

### **A. CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Tyler Murphy called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

### **A.1. Roll Call**

### **B. EXTEND WELCOME TO GUESTS**

Mr. Tyler Murphy welcomed guests attending the regular meeting in person and watching the meeting online.

### **C. MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires invited the audience to observe a moment of silence and asked everyone in our community to pause to acknowledge the tragic death of Sullivan “Sully” Scott, a

4-year-old preschool student at Meadowthorpe Elementary. Our hearts remain with his family, friends, teachers, and all those touched by his passing.

#### **D. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **E. READING OF MISSION STATEMENT**

Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires read the Mission Statement.

#### **F. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion Passed:** *A motion to approve the agenda with any changes voiced including the lifting of items from the consent section for discussion passed with a motion by Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires and a second by Ms. Amy Green.*

Ms. Amy Green	Yes
Mr. Tom Jones	Yes
Mr. Tyler Murphy	Yes
Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires	Yes

##### **F.1. Addendum:**

**F.1.a.** \_\_\_\_\_

**F.1.b.** \_\_\_\_\_

##### **F.2. Deletions:**

**F.2.a.** \_\_\_\_\_

**F.2.b.** \_\_\_\_\_

#### **G. STUDENT PERFORMANCE:**

##### **G.1. Student Performance**

##### **G.1.a. Performance, Edythe J. Hayes Middle School Choir**

Each regular meeting of the Fayette County Board of Education features a student performance in an effort to spotlight our talented students and high quality arts instruction. The December board meeting featured a video performance by the student members from the Edythe J. Hayes Middle School chorus under the direction of Choral Director Emily Levey. The students performed the Russian folksong “Minka” arranged by Greg Gilpin.

#### **H. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

##### **H.1. Progress Reports**

##### **H.1.a. Superintendent's Report**

##### **H.1.a.1. Academic Services**

**Discussion:** Leaders from departments of Academic Services and Student Support Services presented a mid-year progress check on efforts to address the academic and social-emotional needs of individual students by using data to identify areas of focus, monitoring progress, supporting collaboration among teachers, and providing resources and professional learning opportunities for staff.

#### **H.1.a.2. Diversity Policy Update**

**Discussion:** Economic Development Manager Sarah Gaines and Board Attorney Josh Salsburey provided an update on the development of a board policy to help improve opportunities for minority-, woman-, and veteran-owned businesses. A recent report commissioned by the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government will provide critical data on which the policy will be based. The policy will be brought to the board for consideration in January.

#### **H.1.a.3. Operations & Support**

**Discussion:** Chief Operating Officer Myron Thompson shared the December construction highlights featuring a progress report on the new middle school being built at 2185 Polo Club Boulevard. Site work began in November and the project is 3% complete.

#### **H.2. Remarks by Citizens (persons who have signed up to speak):**

### **I. ROUTINE MATTERS:**

#### **I.1. Minutes of the December 5, 2022 Regular Board Meeting**

**Motion Passed:** *A motion to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2022 passed with a motion by Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires and a second by Ms. Amy Green.*

Ms. Amy Green	Yes
Mr. Tom Jones	Yes
Mr. Tyler Murphy	Yes
Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires	Yes

### **J. CONSENT ITEMS:**

**Motion Passed:** *A motion to approve the items on the consent calendar including any items added by addendum passed with a motion by Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires and a second by Ms. Amy Green.*

Ms. Amy Green	Yes
Mr. Tom Jones	Yes
Mr. Tyler Murphy	Yes
Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires	Yes

**J.1. Award of Bids/Proposals**

**J.2. Post Approval Report**

**J.3. Special and Other Leave of Absence**

**J.4. Request for Extended Field Trips**

**J.5. Approval of a Proposed Change Order (No. Thirty-four) to the Contract for the Construction of the New Tates Creek High School BG# 20-082**

**J.6. Approval of Third-Party Special Inspection Agreement for the Construction of the New Combined CTE School at Midland Avenue BG# 22-167**

**J.7. Approval of Commissioning Agent Agreement for the Construction of the New Combined CTE School at Midland Avenue BG# 22-167**

**J.8. Approval of Contract for HVAC Testing and Balancing Services for the Construction of the New Combined CTE School at Midland Avenue BG# 22-167**

**K. ACTION ITEMS:**

**K.1. Adoption of Legislative Priorities**

**Motion Passed:** *A motion to approve the 2023 FCPS Legislative Priorities as presented passed with a motion by Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires and a second by Ms. Amy Green.*

Ms. Amy Green	Yes
Mr. Tom Jones	Yes
Mr. Tyler Murphy	Yes
Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires	Yes

**K.2. Approval of Comprehensive District Improvement Plan**

**Motion Passed:** *A motion to approve the Comprehensive District Improvement Plan passed with a motion by Ms. Amy Green and a second by Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires.*

Ms. Amy Green	Yes
Mr. Tom Jones	Yes
Mr. Tyler Murphy	Yes
Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires	Yes

**K.3. Local Planning Committee**

**Motion Passed:** *A motion to request permission from the Kentucky Department of Education to reassemble the Local Planning Committee (LPC) pursuant to Section 503 of 702 KAR 4:180 The School Facilities Planning Manual, to consider an amendment to the District Facility Plan (DFP) related to multiple needs passed with a motion by Ms. Amy Green and a second by Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires.*

Ms. Amy Green	Yes
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Mr. Tom Jones	Yes
Mr. Tyler Murphy	Yes
Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires	Yes

#### **K.4. 2022 Financial Records Audit Report**

**Discussion:** The report from the 2022 Financial Records Audit conducted by the external firm of Strothman and Company. Fayette County Public Schools once again received the highest grade possible, which is an “unmodified opinion.”

**Motion Passed:** *A motion to accept the independent audit report for the Fayette County Public Schools for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022 as presented passed with a motion by Ms. Amy Green and a second by Mr. Tom Jones.*

Ms. Amy Green	Yes
Mr. Tom Jones	Yes
Mr. Tyler Murphy	Yes
Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires	Absent

#### **K.5. Monthly Financial Report**

**Discussion:** Finance Accounting and Business Services Executive Director Rodney Jackson provided the monthly report for November. The total revenue was \$375 million and expenditures totaled \$216 million including encumbrances. The balance sheet reflects total assets are \$226 million and total liabilities are \$9 million.

**Motion Passed:** *A motion to accept the Monthly Treasurer’s Report of Revenue/Expense reports as presented to the Board passed with a motion by Ms. Amy Green and a second by Mr. Tom Jones.*

Ms. Amy Green	Yes
Mr. Tom Jones	Yes
Mr. Tyler Murphy	Yes
Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires	Yes

### **L. DISCUSSION**

### **M. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

#### **M.1. Personnel Changes**

#### **M.2. School Activity Funds Report**

#### **M.3. Budget Transfer Report**

#### **M.4. Position Control**

## **N. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:**

### **N.1. Public**

During the portion of the meeting for remarks by citizens, the following individuals shared comments with the Board related to the Henry Clay High School building and the vacancy on the Fayette County Board of Education:

- Donna Florence
- Deverin Muff

### **N.2. Board Request Summary**

N.2.a. \_\_\_\_\_

N.2.b. \_\_\_\_\_

N.2.c. \_\_\_\_\_

### **N.3. Other Business**

#### **N.3.a. Board Discussion of Board Work**

#### **N.3.b. Staff**

## **O. MOTION MAKING AGENDA PART OF THE OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES:**

**Motion Passed:** *A motion to make the agenda dated December 15, 2022, on which action has been taken at this meeting, a part of the minutes as if copies in the minutes verbatim, passed with a motion by passed with a motion by Ms. Amy Green and a second by Mr. Tom Jones..*

Ms. Amy Green	Yes
Mr. Tom Jones	Yes
Mr. Tyler Murphy	Yes
Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires	Absent

## **P. CLOSED SESSION:**

### **P.1. Reconvene in Open Session**

## **Q. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Motion Passed:** *A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. passed with a motion by Ms. Amy Green and a second by Mr. Tom Jones.*

Ms. Amy Green	Yes
Mr. Tom Jones	Yes
Mr. Tyler Murphy	Yes
Ms. Stephanie Aschmann Spires	Absent

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Tyler Murphy, Board Chair

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Demetrus Liggins, Superintendent and  
Secretary to the Board