

RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS

(MINUTES)

Regular Meeting

March 25, 2024

The Fayette County Board of Education met in Room 150 at the John D. Price Administration Building located at 450 Park Place, Lexington, KY 40511 at 6 p.m. on March 25, 2024, with the following members present:

Attendance Taken at 6 p.m.

Present Board Members:

Ms. Marilyn Clark

Ms. Amanda Ferguson

Ms. Amy Green

Mr. Jason Moore

Mr. Tyler Murphy

Administration Present

Demetrus Liggins, Superintendent

Houston Barber, Deputy Superintendent

Meocha Williams, Assistant Superintendent of Academic Services

Darius Adamson, Assistant Superintendent of School Leadership

Shelley Chatfield, Chief Legal Officer

Myron Thompson, Chief Operating Officer

A. CALL TO ORDER

A.1. Roll Call

B. EXTEND WELCOME TO GUESTS

Mr. Tyler Murphy extended a welcome to all guests.

C. MOMENT OF SILENCE

Ms. Marilyn Clark invited the audience to observe a moment of silence to acknowledge the tragic deaths of Kenlon Johnson, a 17-year-old student at the Success Academy who also attended Mary Todd Elementary School, Winburn Middle School, Martin Luther King Jr. Academy, Bryan Station High School, and the Audrey Grevious Center, and Carter Underwood, a junior at Bryan Station High School who also attended Booker T. Washington Academy, Sandersville Elementary, and Leestown Middle schools. Our hearts remain with their families, friends, and all those touched by their passing.

D. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Marilyn Clark led the pledge of allegiance.

E. READING OF MISSION STATEMENT

Ms. Marilyn Clark read the mission statement.

F. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion Passed: *A motion to approve the agenda with the amendment of tabling item J9, the lease agreement for Meadowbrook Golf Course, passed with a motion by Ms. Amy Green and a second by Mr. Jason Moore.*

Ms. Marilyn Clark	Yes
Ms. Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Ms. Amy Green	Yes
Mr. Jason Moore	Yes
Mr. Tyler Murphy	Yes

F.1. Addendum

F.1.a. _____

F.1.b. _____

F.2. Deletions

F.2.a. _____

F.2.b. _____

G. STUDENT PERFORMANCE

G.1. Lafayette High School Madrigals 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 March board meeting included a video of the Lafayette High School Madrigals Choir – under the leadership of Director of Choirs Ryan Marsh, and School for the Creative and Performing Arts Vocal Instructor and Director Laura Howard – performing “Hela Rotan.” Director of Fine Arts

Katherine Lowther and Director of Choirs Ryan Marsh give an overview of the musical performance, including a special intro from student Zade AlQahtani.

H. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

H.1. Superintendent's Report

Discussion: Superintendent Demetrus Liggins presented a video highlighting diverse women serving in various jobs and roles across the Fayette County Public Schools.

H.1.a. Community Partner Update - Bryan Station High School SisterKeeper Mentoring Program

Discussion: This month we spotlighted SisterKeeper, an exciting mentoring program at Bryan Station High School. Director of Family and Community Engagement Miranda Scully, Bryan Station Youth Service Center Director Whitney Young, and Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) Site Coordinator Andrea Baker shared information about the program, which was the recipient of a 2023 Golden Apple Award.

H.1.b. Academic Services

H.1.b.1. High Quality Instructional Resources

Discussion: Assistant Superintendent of Academic Services Meocha Williams provided an update on the district's efforts to select high-quality instructional resources for the classroom

H.1.b.2. FCPS Deeper Learning

Discussion: Assistant Superintendent of Academic Services Meocha Williams gave the board an introduction to the Deeper Learning initiative, through which teachers employ design thinking and action research to strengthen instructional design and broaden their approach to student learning.

H.1.c. Unity, Belonging, & Student Efficacy Update

Discussion: Chief Officer of Unity, Belonging, and Student Efficacy Soraya Matthews highlighted March as Women's History Month and saluted several female employees with decades of continuous service in Fayette County Public Schools, including Robin Barker, Becky Brown, Sharon Guess, Rhonda Lewis, Beth Randolph, Sharron Wesley-Porter, and Barbara Williams.

H.1.d. Construction Report

Discussion: Chief Operating Officer Myron Thompson provided an update on the construction of Mary E. Britton Middle School and The Hub for Innovative Learning and Leadership (The HILL).

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

H.2.a. There are two opportunities for the public to address the Board:

Discussion: Eric Chellgren asked about school renovations, Matthew Vied shared his thoughts about school funding, and the following speakers shared their thoughts about Rise STEM Academy for Girls: Jeremy Porter, Stefanie Dittert, Moneera Haque, Aerielle Washington, Amy Gibson, Jessica Chapman, and Jaime Hurt.

I. APPROVAL OF ROUTINE MATTERS

I.1. Minutes from March 14, 2024

Motion Passed: *A motion to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2024, Planning Board Meeting of the Fayette County Board of Education passed with a motion by Mr. Jason Moore and a second by Ms. Marilyn Clark.*

Ms. Marilyn Clark	Yes
Ms. Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Ms. Amy Green	Yes
Mr. Jason Moore	Yes
Mr. Tyler Murphy	Yes

J. APPROVAL OF 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. Amy Green and a second by Ms. Marilyn Clark.*

Ms. Marilyn Clark	Yes
Ms. Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Ms. Amy Green	Yes
Mr. Jason Moore	Yes
Mr. Tyler Murphy	Yes

J.1. Request for Extended Field Trips

J.2. Professional Leave District Personnel

J.3. Special and Other Leave of Absence

J.4. Post Approval Report

J.5. Award of Bids/Proposals

J.6. Declaration of Surplus

J.7. Declaration of Surplus and Intent to Sell

J.8. Bus Purchase

J.9. Approval of a BG-5 Project Closeout Form for the Phased Athletic Facilities at Lafayette High School BG #21-342

J.10. Approval of Bidding Documents and an Advertisement for Bid for an Early Demolition Package of Existing Structures at the Site for the New Rise STEM Academy for Girls BG# 23-547

J.11. Approval of Initial BG-1 Project Application for the Construction of the New Henry Clay High School BG# 24-279

J.12. Approval of Bid, Proposed Contract, and a Revision to the BG-1 Project Application for the Replacement of HVAC Systems at Northern Elementary School BG #24-081

J.13. Approval of Design Consultant and Initial BG-1 Project Application for the Replacement of HVAC Systems at Lansdowne Elementary School BG #24-286

J.14. Capital Funds Request - Various Schools HVAC Repairs

J.15. 2024-2025 Schedule of Board Meetings

K. APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS

K.1. Monthly Financial Report

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. Jason Moore.*

Ms. Marilyn Clark	Yes
Ms. Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Ms. Amy Green	Yes
Mr. Jason Moore	Yes
Mr. Tyler Murphy	Yes

L. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

L.1. Board of Education Committees

L.2. Personnel Changes

L.3. Graduation Dates 2024

L.4. School Activity Funds Report

L.5. Position Control Document

M. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

M.1. Public

Discussion: Janis Gilbert shared her thoughts about school safety.

M.2. Board Request Summary

M.2.a. _____

M.2.b. _____

M.2.c. _____

M.3. Other Business

M.3.a. Board Discussion of Board Work

M.3.b. Staff

N. MOTION MAKING AGENDA PART OF THE OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES

Motion Passed: *A motion to make the agenda dated March 25, 2024, on which action has been taken at this meeting, a part of the minutes as if copied in the minutes verbatim, passed with a motion by Ms. Marilyn Clark and a second by Mr. Jason Moore.*

Ms. Marilyn Clark	Yes
Ms. Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Ms. Amy Green	Yes
Mr. Jason Moore	Yes
Mr. Tyler Murphy	Yes

O. CLOSED SESSION

Motion Passed: *Pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(k) meetings required to be conducted in privacy by law, KRS 156.557 (6)(c) preliminary discussions related to the evaluation of the superintendent, and KRS 61.810(1)(b) to discuss the sale or acquisition of real property, a motion to enter closed session at 8:10 p.m. passed with a motion by Ms. Amy Green and a second by Ms. Marilyn Clark.*

Ms. Marilyn Clark	Yes
Ms. Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Ms. Amy Green	Yes
Mr. Jason Moore	Yes
Mr. Tyler Murphy	Yes

O.1. Reconvene in Open Session

Motion Passed: *A motion to reconvene in open session at 9:34 p.m. passed with a motion by Ms. Marilyn Clark and a second by Mr. Jason Moore.*

Ms. Marilyn Clark	Yes
Ms. Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Ms. Amy Green	Yes
Mr. Jason Moore	Yes
Mr. Tyler Murphy	Yes

P. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Passed: *A motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:37 p.m. passed with a motion by Ms. Marilyn Clark and a second by Mr. Jason Moore.*

Ms. Marilyn Clark	Yes
Ms. Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Ms. Amy Green	Yes
Mr. Jason Moore	Yes
Mr. Tyler Murphy	Yes

Tyler Murphy, Board Chair

Demetrus Liggins, Superintendent and
Secretary to the Board