

# **RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS**

## **(MINUTES)**

Regular Meeting

April 22, 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 April 22, 2024, with the following members present:

### **Attendance Taken at 6:03 p.m.**

#### **Present Board Members:**

Ms. Marilyn Clark

Ms. Amanda Ferguson

Ms. Amy Green

Mr. Jason Moore

Mr. Tyler Murphy

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### **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. Amanda Ferguson invited the audience to observe a moment of silence to acknowledge the tragic deaths of Jayden Canada, a 12-year-old sixth-grader at Winburn Middle School who previously attended Russell Cave Elementary School, and Christy Curd, a special education teacher who served more than 15 years at Athens-Chilesburg Elementary School. Our hearts remain with their families, friends, and all those touched by their passing.

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

Ms. Amanda Ferguson led the pledge of allegiance.

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

Ms. Amanda Ferguson read the mission statement.

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

**Motion Passed:** *A motion to approve the agenda with any changes voiced from the consent section for discussion. 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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### **G.1. Ashland Elementary Dance**

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 April board meeting included a video of the 4th and 5th grade dance majors from Ashland Elementary School performing during the recent Honoring Black Excellence Showcase. The students are led by district itinerant dance teacher Ashley Oldham, whose work is made possible through the board's initiative to expand arts programming in FCPS.

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

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

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

##### **H.1.a.1. Academic Services - KSA Testing**

**Discussion:** Assistant Superintendent of Academic Services Meocha Williams and Director of Assessment Brooke Stinson outlined the schedule for this spring's administration of the Kentucky Summative Assessment (KSA), which is set for May 8-29. By statute, the state testing window must fall within the last 14 instructional days of the school year.

##### **H.1.a.2. Construction Progress Report**

**Discussion:** Chief Operating Officer Myron Thompson provided an update on the construction of Mary E. Britton Middle School, The Hub for Innovative Learning and Leadership (The HILL), and preschool classroom additions at Harrison Elementary School.

##### **H.1.a.3. Community Partner Update - Urban League of Lexington-Fayette County**

**Discussion:** Director of Family and Community Engagement Miranda Scully and Annissa Franklin, vice president of the Urban League of Lexington-Fayette County, shared information about recent programs coordinated collaboratively. Among them were the annual Academic Challenge for elementary students and the LIFT conference for college and career readiness.

##### **H.1.a.4. FCPS Police Department Accreditation**

**Discussion:** Fayette County Public Schools Police Chief Martin Schafer and Col. Pat Morgan of the Kenton County Sheriff's Office announced that FCPS now has the first and only school board-governed police department to have met law enforcement accreditation standards under the Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police (KACP).

### **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:** The following citizens shared their thoughts regarding agenda item K.3. Review of Site Based Appeal regarding a staffing decision made by the Cassidy Elementary School SBDM: Virginia Zoller, Mark Russell, Liisa Bergmann, Lauren Stanley Jane Ansel Elkins, and Thomas Stites.

## **I. APPROVAL OF ROUTINE MATTERS:**

### **I.1. Minutes from the April 11, 2024, Board Meeting**

**Motion Passed:** *A motion to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2024, Planning Board Meeting of the Fayette County Board of Education passed with a motion by Mr. Jason Moore and a second by Ms. Amy Green.*

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. Declaration of Surplus**

### **J.4. Post Approval Report**

### **J.5. Special and Other Leave of Absence**

### **J.6. Educators Rising Curriculum Resources**

### **J.7. Contract with Central KY Riding for Hope**

### **J.8. KETS 2nd Offer**

### **J.9. IXL Learning Contract**

### **J.10. Approval of a Proposed Change Order (No. Seven) to the Contract for the Renovation of the New Combined CTE School at Midland Avenue BG# 22-167**

### **J.11. Approval of Design Development Documents for the Construction of the New Rise STEM Academy for Girls BG# 23-547**

### **J.12. Approval of Schematic Design Documents for the Construction of the New Elementary School on Greendale Road BG# 24-195**

### **J.13. Capital Funds Request for Henry Clay High School and Northern Elementary School**

## **K. APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS:**

### **K.1. Monthly Financial Reports**

**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 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

## **K.2. High Quality Instructional Resources**

**Motion Passed:** *A motion to approve a one-year contract in the amount of \$921,873.79 with Curriculum Associates iReady to provide K-5 math curriculum resources and related professional learning services passed with a motion by Mr. Jason Moore and a second by Ms. Amy Green.*

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

**Motion Passed:** *A motion to approve a one-year contract in the amount of \$932,414 with Savvas Learning Company LLC for 6-12 literacy curriculum resources and related professional learning services passed with a motion by Ms. Marilyn Clark and a second by Ms. Amy Green.*

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

**Motion Passed:** *A motion to approve a one-year contract in the amount of \$795,111 with Savvas Learning Company LLC for 6-12 for math curriculum resources and related professional learning services 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

**Motion Passed:** *A motion to approve a one-year contract in the amount of \$949,468 with*

*Benchmark Education to purchase K-5 literacy curriculum resources and related professional learning services passed with a motion by Ms. Marilyn Clark and a second by Ms. Amy Green.*

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

### **K.3. Review of Site Based Appeal**

**Motion Passed:** *A motion to postpone a decision on the appeal of the SBDM decision until additional information is provided passed with a motion by Mr. Jason Moore and a second by Ms. Amanda Ferguson.*

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. Budget Transfer Report**

#### **L.2. Position Control Document**

#### **L.3. Interfund Transfers**

#### **L.4. School Activity Funds Report**

#### **L.5. Personnel Changes**

#### **L.6. Board Approved Contracts**

### **M. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

#### **M.1. Public**

#### **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 April 22, 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. 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

**O. CLOSED SESSION:**

**O.1. Reconvene in Open Session**

**P. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Motion Passed:** *A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. 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

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Tyler Murphy, Board Chair

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Demetrus Liggins, Superintendent and  
Secretary to the Board