

RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS

(MINUTES)

Fayette County Board of Education Regular Meeting

August 17, 2026

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. ET (5 p.m. CT) on August 17, 2026, with the following members present:

Attendance Taken at 6 p.m.

Present Board Members:

Amanda Ferguson

Amy Green

Tyler Murphy

Penny Christian

Monica Mundy

Administration Present

Bill Bradford, Acting Superintendent

Tracy Bruno, Chief of Staff/Interim Superintendent

Shelley Chatfield, Chief Legal Officer

Myron Thompson, Chief Operating Officer

Kyna Koch, Chief Financial Officer

A. CALL TO ORDER

A.1. Roll Call

B. EXTEND WELCOME TO GUESTS

C. MOMENT OF SILENCE

Board Member Amanda Ferguson invited the audience to observe a moment of silence to acknowledge the tragic death of DiZhon Robertson, a 16-year-old Success Academy student who had also attended The Hub for Innovative Learning and Leadership, Bryan Station High School,

Winburn Middle School, and Northern Elementary School. Our hearts remain with his family, friends, and all those touched by his passing.

D. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Member Amanda Ferguson led the pledge of allegiance.

E. READING OF MISSION STATEMENT

Board Member Amanda Ferguson read the mission statement.

F. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion Passed: *A motion to approve the agenda with the amendment of lifting consent items I.12. Master Equipment Lease Renewal Agreement 2 yrs and I.13. Master Equipment Lease Renewal Agreement 3 yrs, changing item I.14. Master Equipment Lease Renewal Agreement 5 yrs to cover all the contract renewals under a 5-year agreement, and adding action item J.1. Acknowledgement and Acceptance of VanAntwerp Firm Report, passed with a motion by Amanda Ferguson and a second by Amy Green.*

Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Amy Green	Yes
Tyler Murphy	Yes
Penny Christian	Yes
Monica Mundy	Yes

G. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

G.1. Progress Reports

G.1.a. Superintendent's Report

G.1.a.1 We are FCPS Student Spotlight

G.2. PUBLIC COMMENT (regarding topics on the agenda)

Discussion: The following members of the public addressed the board regarding matters of budget, finance, governance, and leadership: Jabez Caraballo, Larry Moore, Matthew Vied, Stacey Kress, and Amanda Preston, Tansy Coats addressed special education procedures, property taxes, and facility issues, Loney Burns and Erika Pennington addressed property taxes.

H. APPROVAL OF ROUTINE MATTERS

H.1. Minutes from August 3, 2026

H.2. Minutes from August 7, 2026

Motion Passed: *A motion to approve the minutes of the August 3, 2026, Planning Meeting, and the August 7, 2026, Special-Called Meeting of the Fayette County Board of Education passed with a motion by Amy Green and a second by Monica Mundy.*

Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Amy Green	Yes
Tyler Murphy	Yes
Penny Christian	Yes
Monica Mundy	Yes

I. APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

I.1. Professional Leave Request

I.2. Request for Extended Field Trips

I.3. Post Approval Report

I.4. Award of Bids/Proposals

I.5. Special and Other Leaves of Absence

I.6. Policy Updates

I.7. Dual Credit MOA (renewal)

I.8. Dual Credit MOA (renewal)

I.9. Dual Credit MOA (renewal)

I.10. General Fund 1 Transfer to Child Nutrition Fund 51

I.11. Approval of a Proposed Change Order (No. Two) to the Contract for the Replacement of Artificial Turf Field and Resurfacing of Track at Paul Laurence Dunbar High School BG #26-113

I.12. Master Equipment Lease Renewal Agreement 2 yrs

I.13. Master Equipment Lease Renewal Agreement 3 yrs

I.14. Master Equipment Lease Renewal Agreement 5 yrs.

Motion Passed: *A motion to approve the items on the consent agenda including any items added by addendum, and the amendment of item I.6. Policy Updates to add a footnote to Policy 04.32 Model Procurement Code Purchasing that the changes being made were prompted by compliance with an executive order from the current federal administration, passed with a motion by Monica Mundy and a second by Amy Green.*

Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Amy Green	Yes
Tyler Murphy	Yes
Penny Christian	Yes
Monica Mundy	Yes

J. APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS

J.1. Acknowledgement and Acceptance of VanAntwerp Firm Report

Motion Passed: *A motion to acknowledge and accept the VanAntwerp firm's August 14, 2026, report on its review of Dr. Liggins's employment passed with a motion by Monica Mundy and a second by Amanda Ferguson.*

Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Amy Green	Yes
Tyler Murphy	Yes
Penny Christian	Yes
Monica Mundy	Yes

J.2. Discuss and Review Retirement Notice Pursuant to KRS 161.780

Motion Passed: *Pursuant to KRS 161.780 and KRS 160.352, a motion to accept Dr. Liggins's retirement from employment with Fayette County Public Schools, without waiving any board rights, and declare a vacancy in the office of superintendent effective August 17, 2026, passed with a motion by Penny Christian and a second by Amanda Ferguson.*

Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Amy Green	Yes
Tyler Murphy	Yes
Penny Christian	Yes
Monica Mundy	Yes

J.3. Discuss Continuation of Acting Superintendent

Subsidiary Motion Passed: *Pursuant to KRS 61.350(1) and Section I of Dr. Bill Bradford's acting superintendent contract, a motion to continue the appointment of Dr. Bradford as interim superintendent until the appointment of a new superintendent or termination of Dr. Bradford's interim superintendent contract, whichever occurs first passed with a motion by Amy Green and a second by Penny Christian.*

Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Amy Green	Yes
Tyler Murphy	Yes
Penny Christian	Yes
Monica Mundy	Yes

Subsidiary Motion Passed: *A motion to authorize the board chair to negotiate an addendum to Dr. Bradford's contract for board approval in conjunction with his continued appointment as*

interim superintendent with no change to compensation passed with a motion by Amy Green and a second by Monica Mundy.

Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Amy Green	Yes
Tyler Murphy	Yes
Penny Christian	Yes
Monica Mundy	Yes

J.4. Monthly Financial Reports

Motion Passed: *A motion to accept the Monthly Financial Report of Revenues and Expenditures as presented to the Board. passed with a motion by Monica Mundy and a second by Amy Green.*

Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Amy Green	Yes
Tyler Murphy	Yes
Penny Christian	No
Monica Mundy	Yes

J.5. Intent to Adopt and Levy Tax Rates

Motion Passed: *A motion that the Board of Education for 2026-27 intends to levy a total tax rate of 79.7 cents (real estate) and 81.1 cents (personal property) per \$100 assessed valuation and a total motor vehicle property tax rate of 59.2 cents per \$100 assessed valuation, in preparation for the Working Budget for school year 2026-27 passed with a motion by Amy Green and a second by Penny Christian.*

Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Amy Green	Yes
Tyler Murphy	Yes
Penny Christian	Yes
Monica Mundy	Yes

K. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

K.1. Running Board Approved Contracts

K.2. 2026-2027 Athletic Handbooks

K.3. Board Construction Update

K.4. Personnel Changes

K.5. Special Education Procedures

K.6. School Activity Funds Report

K.7. Paid Warrant Report

L. PUBLIC COMMENT (regarding items not on the agenda)

Discussion: Larry Moore addressed the board regarding matters of governance.

M. MOTION MAKING AGENDA PART OF THE OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES

Motion Passed: *A motion to make the agenda dated August 17, 2026, on which action has been taken at this meeting, a part of the minutes as if copied verbatim in the minutes passed with a motion by Amy Green and a second by Monica Mundy.*

Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Amy Green	Yes
Tyler Murphy	Yes
Penny Christian	Yes
Monica Mundy	Yes

N. CLOSED SESSION

Motion Passed: *Pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(c) to discuss pending and possible litigation, a motion to enter closed session at 7:22 p.m. passed with a motion by Monica Mundy and a second by Amy Green.*

Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Amy Green	Yes
Tyler Murphy	Yes
Penny Christian	Yes
Monica Mundy	Yes

N.1. Reconvene in Open Session

Motion Passed: *A motion to reconvene in open session at 7:50 p.m. passed with a motion by Amy Green and a second by Monica Mundy.*

Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Amy Green	Yes
Tyler Murphy	Yes
Penny Christian	Absent
Monica Mundy	Yes

O. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Passed: *A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. passed with a motion by Amy Green and a second by Monica Mundy.*

Amanda Ferguson	Yes
Amy Green	Yes
Tyler Murphy	Yes
Penny Christian	Absent
Monica Mundy	Yes

Tyler Murphy, Board Chair

Dr. Bill Bradford, Acting Superintendent and
Secretary to the Board