RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS

(MINUTES)

Fayette County Board of Education Regular Meeting

September 21, 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 September 21, 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, Interim Superintendent
Tracy Bruno, Chief of Staff/Interim Assistant Superintendent
Shelley Chatfield, Chief Legal Officer
Myron Thompson, Chief Operating Officer
Kyna Koch, Interim Chief Financial Officer

A. CALL TO ORDER
A.1. Roll Call

B. EXTEND WELCOME TO GUESTS

C. MOMENT OF SILENCE

Board Vice Chair Amy Green invited the audience to observe a moment of silence to acknowledge the tragic deaths of NovaJ Smith, a 5-year-old kindergartener at Picadome Elementary School, Daylen Tucker, a 17-year-old senior at Henry Clay High School who had also attended Lexington Middle School, William Wells Brown Elementary School, Booker T. Washington Elementary School, and Sandersville Elementary School, and former Lafayette High School Band Director Charles "Chuck" Michael Smith, who led the Pride of the Bluegrass marching band from 1996 until his retirement in 2021. Our hearts remain with thier families, friends, and all those touched by their passing.

D. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Vice Chair Amy Green led the pledge of allegiance.

E. READING OF MISSION STATEMENT

Board Vice Chair Amy Green 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 Amy Green and a second by Monica Mundy.*

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

G. WE ARE FCPS STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

G.1. Districtwide Summer Musical: Seussical

Discussion: FCPS Director of Fine Arts Katherine Lowther and Bryan Station High School student Gabriella Parsley introduced the We Are FCPS Student Spotlight featuring the 2026 FCPS summer musical production of Seussical.

H. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

H.1. Progress Reports

H.1.a. Superintendent's Report

H.1.a.1. Kids' Champion

Discussion: Chief of Staff Tracy Bruno led the recognition for September Kids' Champion Officer Jeremy Day, who works at Garden Springs and James Lane Allen elementaries, and

recently raised nearly $10,000 to help families outfit their children for this school year through his Fayette 50: Miles for Smiles effort.

H.1.a.2. Equity Scorecard Presentation
Discussion: Chief Officer of Student Belonging and Success Dr. Soraya Matthews, along with Equity Council Committee Members Trace Williams and Scott Horn presented the 2026 Equity Scorecard. Although previously an annual report, the scorecard had not been produced in more than 10 years. As part of the current strategic plan, Fayette County Board of Education members tasked the Equity Council Committee with revitalizing the effort. The Board will revisit the scorecard for potential future adoption.

H.1.a.3. We Are FCPS Community Partner Spotlight
Discussion: Executive Director of Public Engagement Miranda Scully introduced Marty Jones, Director of Housing Stability for the Community Action Council, who recently received a Golden Apple Award for his efforts to support students and families facing housing insecurity.

H.2. PUBLIC COMMENT (regarding topics on the agenda)
Discussion: The following members of the public addressed the board: Jabez Caraballo regarding facilities, and Larry Moore, Amy Quire, and Donna Verhoeven regarding matters of budget, finance, governance, and leadership.

I. APPROVAL OF ROUTINE MATTERS
I.1. Minutes from September 10, 2026
Motion Passed: *A motion to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2026, Planning Meeting of the Fayette County Board of Education passed with a motion by Amy Green and a second by Amanda Ferguson.*

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

J. APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS
J.1. Professional Leave Request
J.2. Request for Extended Field Trips
J.3. Award of Bids/Proposals
J.4. Declaration of Surplus
J.5. Professional Learning Contract (renewal)
J.6. Professional Learning Contract (renewal)

J.7. RESET Contract (renewal)
J.8. Professional Learning Contract
J.9. Policy Updates
J.10. District Assurances
J.11. Copier Contract
J.12. FY27 Working Budget
J.13. Approval of a Proposed Change Order (No. Seven) to the Contract for the Construction of the New Henry Clay High School BG# 24-279
J.14. Approval of a BG-5 Project Closeout Form for the Replacement of HVAC Systems at Lansdowne Elementary School BG #24-286
J.15. Approval of a BG-5 Project Closeout Form for the Renovation of Two Classrooms into Preschool Classrooms at Arlington Elementary School BG #25-321
J.16. Approval of a Proposed Change Order (No. Three) to the Contract for the Replacement of Artificial Turf Field and Resurfacing of Track at Paul Laurence Dunbar High School BG #26-113

Motion Passed: *A motion to approve the items on the consent agenda including any items added by addendum 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. APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS
K.1. 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 Amy Green and a second by Monica Mundy.*

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

K.2. Authorization of Corrective Action Plan
Motion Passed: *A motion to approve the Budget Processes and Expenditures Corrective Action Plan as a result of the Weaver-Tidwell Audit as presented 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

K.3. Approval of the Interim Superintendent Contract
Motion Passed: *A motion to approve a contract with Interim Superintendent Bradford as presented passed with a motion by Monica Mundy and a second by Penny Christian.*

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

K.4. Kentucky School Boards Association MOU
Motion Passed: *A motion to approve the Memorandum of Agreement with the Kentucky School Boards Association to facilitate the superintendent search as presented 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

L. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS
L.1. Board Construction Update 9-21-26
L.2. Personnel Changes
L.3. Running Board Approved Contracts
L.4. School Activity Funds Report
L.5. Paid Warrant Report

M. PUBLIC COMMENT (regarding items not on the agenda)
Discussion: The following members of the public addressed the board: Calizza Farrell regarding George Washington Carver STEM Academy for Boys, and Larry Moore and Donna Verhoeven regarding matters of budget, finance, governance, and leadership.

N. MOTION MAKING AGENDA PART OF THE OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES

Motion Passed: *A motion to make the agenda dated September 21, 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 Penny Christian.*

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

O. CLOSED SESSION

Motion Passed: *Pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1)(c) to discuss pending and potential litigation against or on behalf of the district a motion to enter closed session at 8:32 p.m. passed with a motion by Penny Christian and a second by Monica Mundy.*

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

O.1. Reconvene in Open Session

Motion Passed: *A motion to reconvene in open session at 8:50 p.m. passed with a motion by Penny Christian and a second by Amy Green.*

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

P. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Passed: *A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. 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

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Tyler Murphy, Board Chair

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