

**FAYETTEVILLE CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**MAY 2, 2022**

**Present:**

Mark Clark, Chairman  
Pam Bryson  
Bridgett Hopkins  
Jennifer Murdock  
Shawnta Fulton  
Danny Bryant, ex-officio  
Cason Seals, ex-officio  
Bill Hopkins, Director of Schools

**Also Attending:**

Lisa Williams  
Tonja Whitenack  
Tricia Jean  
Adam McCormick

**Absent:**

Tommy Holland, Vice-Chairman  
Claudia Styles  
Cindy Young  
Eric Jones  
Steve Giffin  
Christine Tuten  
Rujena Dotson

Chairman Clark called the meeting to order. Mrs. Murdock made a motion to approve the agenda; second by Mrs. Hopkins. All members present voted aye.

Chairman Clark led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Murdock made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2022 meeting; second by Mrs. Hopkins. All members present voted aye.

Mrs. Murdock made a motion to approve the April disbursements; second by Ms. Bryson. All board members present voted aye.

**Principals' Reports -**

**Mrs. Whitenack** – expressed appreciation to Mrs. Jean and Mr. McCormick for their assistance during her first year as principal and thanked Mr. Hopkins for the opportunity. She noted that Tiger Tracks is Friday and that over 700 t-shirts have been sold. The event will be held rain or shine.

**Mrs. Jean** – introduced Nakeia Cannon, an FMS student and eighth grade softball player who was accompanied by her softball coach, Mrs. Taylor. She has had four homeruns and was a standout player behind the plate. She was voted All-Conference player by other coaches. Nakeia noted that the FMS play will be staged on Wednesday and Thursday nights and that RAS students will attend a morning performance on Thursday. She said she is also excited about 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Night on Saturday beginning at 6 p.m. Tiger Breakout Day is Monday, May 16. The day will begin with a pep rally and then students will walk to Don Davidson Park for a field day. As an outgoing eighth grader, Nakeia said she will miss her FMS teachers and the younger students in the building and at her games. She looks forward to playing softball at FHS. She also passed out tickets to the FMS play to the board members.

**Mr. McCormick** – introduced Demarion McCrary, an FHS senior, who Mr. McCormick says epitomizes all that he hopes for all Tiger students. Demarion said EOC testing has been completed and gave a huge shout out to Mrs. Wright, Mr. Giffin and all the teachers for their hard work. FHS is in the process of completing state dual credit and AP testing. On May 10 at 6 p.m., Senior Awards will be held. Graduation will be on Friday, May 13, on Tiger Field, weather permitting. On May 17 at 5 p.m., the FHS Beta Club will hold its induction

ceremony, and Field Day will be the following day, May 18. Administrators will be cooking burgers for the students. Demarion said he plans to pursue teaching and coaching after attending Motlow and UT Southern.

### **CFO Report –**

**Lisa Williams** – Mrs. Williams reported that the system is changing to OneAmerica Life Insurance policy and will increase the benefit to \$12,000 per employee. She asked the board to approve an increase of \$277.92 annually from \$4,168.80 to \$4,446.72. Mrs. Murdock made a motion to approve the increase; second by Mrs. Hopkins. All board members present voted aye.

### **Reports -**

**Facilities and Transportation** – Mr. Hopkins asked for permission to decommission Bus 03. Mrs. Murdock made a motion to approve decommissioning Bus 03; second by Mrs. Hopkins. All board members present voted aye.

**Finance** – Mrs. Williams said the system received notification of BEP funding late the previous Friday afternoon. That funding has been reduced \$318,000 from the figure presented in the proposed budget. She requests that the board approve the revised budget which reflects the reduction in BEP funding. Instead of the \$8,010,000 the system expected to receive, that amount is now \$7,692,000, the result of a decrease in ADM. The budget includes a 2% salary increase for all employees. Mrs. Williams noted that TISA doesn't take effect until FY24. Ms. Bryson made a motion to approve the General Education Budget in the amount of \$13,244,004; second by Ms. Fulton. All board members present voted aye.

Mrs. Williams asked for approval of the Capital Projects Budget, which was presented during the work session. Mrs. Murdock made a motion to approve the Capital Projects Budget in the amount of \$3,643,360; second by Mrs. Hopkins. All board members present voted aye.

Mrs. Williams asked for approval of the Cafeteria Budget of \$910,677. Mrs. Murdock made a motion to approve the Cafeteria Budget; second by Mrs. Hopkins. All members present voted aye.

Mrs. Williams asked for approval of Line Item Amendment #2 General Education Fund. Mrs. Murdock made a motion to approve the amendment; second by Mrs. Hopkins. All board members present voted aye.

Mrs. Williams asked for approval of Line Item Amendment #2 Cafeteria Fund. Mrs. Murdock made a motion to approve the amendment; second by Mrs. Hopkins. All members present voted aye.

Mrs. Williams asked for approval of FY22 Budget Amendment #2 General Purpose Fund and will have to go to the City of Fayetteville for its approval. Mrs. Murdock made a motion to approve the amendment; second by Mrs. Hopkins. All members present voted aye.

Mrs. Williams asked for approval for Mr. Hopkins to file necessary amendments & fund transfers for federal projects for the 2022-2023 school year. Mrs. Murdock made a motion for approval; second by Ms. Bryson. All members present voted aye.

Mrs. Murdock made a motion to approve Broaddus & Associates Invoice #6 [PDMC-PJ-04-TN-2019-03] in the amount of \$19,382.26 for project and program management services on the FEMA project, per Recommendation of Payment from Broaddus & Associates; second by Mrs. Hopkins. All board members present voted aye.

Mrs. Murdock made a motion to approve Flintco LLC Invoice #32417 [PDMC-PJ-04-TN-2019-03] in the amount of \$4,000 for A&E Peer Review services on the FEMA project, per Recommendation of Payment from Broaddus & Associates; second by Mrs. Hopkins. All board members present voted aye.

**Insurance and Policy** – There was no report.

### **Superintendent's Report -**

Mr. Hopkins recommended approval of an overnight trip for FFA to attend State FFA Camp July 18-22 at Camp Clements in Doyle, TN. Mrs. Murdock made a motion to approve the trip; second by Mrs. Hopkins. All board members present voted aye.

Mr. Hopkins recommended approval of an overnight trip for cheerleaders to attend Cheer Camp July 16-18 in Murfreesboro, TN. Mrs. Murdock made a motion to approve the trip; second by Mrs. Hopkins. All board members present voted aye.

Mr. Hopkins recommended approval of an overnight trip for GEAR UP Youth Summit on June 6-8 at Austin Peay State University in Clarksville. Mrs. Murdock made a motion to approve the trip; second by Mrs. Hopkins. All board members present voted aye.

Mr. Hopkins noted that Fayetteville City Schools has nominated Jay Witt for the TSBA Volunteer of the Year Award and Isabella Martin for the TSBA Student Recognition Award. He also noted this week is Teacher Appreciation Week. He reminded board members of the group photo to be held on Friday prior to the board's 4 p.m. work session.

### **Chairman's Report -**

Chairman Clark recommended the board approve a Resolution for Teacher Appreciation Day on May 5. Mrs. Murdock made a motion to approve the Resolution; second by Mrs. Hopkins. All board members present voted aye.

Chairman Clark presented Cason Seals with a gift of appreciation for his service as the first student ex-officio member of the school board. Cason said it had been a pleasure and thanked the board for the opportunity.

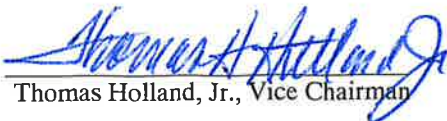
Chairman Clark reminded the board of the 4 p.m. work session on Friday for the purpose of completing Mr. Hopkins' performance evaluation. He also noted the next regular board meeting will be Monday, June 6, 2022.

Chairman Clark recognized Mr. Bryant for comments, who said he expects the school system will receive a 3% increase from the City of Fayetteville. He also noted that the William D. Jones road project is moving forward after more than 12 years of working toward that goal. He has been informed by the state that the project will go to bid in 4 to 6 weeks.

The meeting was adjourned.



Mark Clark, Chairman



Thomas Holland, Jr., Vice Chairman

Minutes submitted by Sandy Williams