

**FAYETTEVILLE CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 13, 2020**

Present:

Jeff Whitmore, Chairman
Tom Holland, Vice-Chairman
Joyce Eady
Sarah Raby
Danny Bryant, Liaison
Janine Wilson, Superintendent

Also Attending:

Christine Tuten
Ron Perrin
Rujena Dotson
Cindy Young
Eric Jones
Steve Giffin
Bridgette Jones
Adam McCormick

Absent:

Jennifer Murdock
Mark Clark

Chairman Whitmore called the meeting to order. Vice Chairman Holland made a motion to approve the agenda; second by Mrs. Eady. All board members present voted aye.

Chairman Whitmore led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Eady made a motion to approve minutes from the December 2, 2019 regularly scheduled board meeting; second by Mrs. Raby. All board members present voted aye.

Mrs. Raby made a motion to approve December disbursements; second by Vice Chairman Holland. All board members present voted aye.

Mr. Steve Giffin reported FMS will have their second nine weeks awards program. FMS will host the area-wide 4H County Event and parent/teacher conference will be next week. Mr. Giffin shared a picture of the FMS cafeteria staff on Cafeteria Appreciation Day and commended them on receiving 100's on their inspection reports. Mr. Giffin reported on Eighth Grade night along with building improvements including painted classrooms, new tile and installation of new water filling stations. Mr. Giffin requested board approval for the eighth grade field trip on May 17-20 to Washington, DC sponsored by Ms. Windy Butler. Vice Chairman Holland made a motion to approve the field trip; second by Mrs. Eady. All board members present voted aye.

Reports:

Facilities and Transportation – Mr. Perrin reported on the new serving line installed at the Askins cafeteria. Mr. Jones reported on the plans to replace the gymnasium floor in May after graduation.

Mr. Jones reported on a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant to construct a tornado safe room on the FHS campus, a facility that could be a multi-purpose building housing classrooms, the first of its kind in Tennessee. Mr. Jones and Mr. Eddie Keys worked together making application deadline by the end of December. The tornado safe rooms dual purpose as school facilities. This has put some of the facility improvements discussed by the board on hold until the grant is awarded hopefully in September 2020. Mr. Jones reported that rooms built using FEMA grant funds can withstand winds up to 250 miles per hour and provide protection from flying debris. This safe room would benefit numerous residents in the Fayetteville city area.

Finance – No Report

Insurance and Policy – No Report

Supervisors' Report -

Mr. Perrin – distributed a draft of the 2020-2021 academic calendar to be voted on at the February board meeting.

Mr. Jones – No Report

Mrs. Dotson – told the board the filling stations for water installation at FMS is due to the Diabetes Grant to promote drinking filtered water. Mrs. Dotson reported the professional development in-service went well the first two days of January before school started again after Christmas break. The Gear Up Grant has added \$13,000 and will be added to the budget for the year. Mrs. Dotson thanked Dr. Wilson for donating green houses to the high school to be utilized by the students.

Mrs. Tuten – completed the District Improvement Plan. On-site monitoring is rescheduled for April 8 and 9.

Mrs. Young – reported on 2020-2021 Pre-K funding from the state.

Principals' Reports – All principals submitted a written report of activities at their schools.

Dr. Jones – reported that Jr. Pro basketball is going well at Askins. The Interventionist and Math Consultant from the CORE office are doing classroom walk-throughs. The Amazing Shake preliminary and Awards Day is this week. Parent/Teacher conferences are this week as well.

Mr. McCormick – reported on students visiting UAH made possible through the Gear Up Grant. January 28 is the Senior Superlative Stroll, and Mr. McCormick announced the SCOPE delegates. Members of the FHS Criminal Justice Club worked with the local Fraternal Order of Police lodge assisting law enforcement with their "Shop With A Cop" program. Heating and cooling systems were installed over Christmas break at FHS. Basketball is entering district play.

Superintendent's Report – Dr. Wilson reported that Victor E has been chosen as a Rocket City Trash Panda Mascot at UAH. New cameras are installed at Askins. The new phone system in the schools and the central office have been installed. Dr. Wilson made an offer on a strip of land located on William D. Jones Blvd. in Fayetteville across from FMS. Dr. Wilson asked for board approval for resurfacing the track and repairing the grass and crown on the football field. Vice Chairman Holland made a motion to proceed with the track and football field repairs; second by Mrs. Raby. All board members present voted aye.

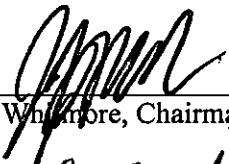
Dr. Wilson congratulated Coach Chris Murdock on winning the Channel 19 Tools for Teachers Award. He was nominated by one of his former students, Gabby Flynt, and will be awarded \$319 to be used in his classroom. There will be a segment on the Channel 19 News featuring Coach Murdock this week.

Dr. Wilson thanked Mr. Jones and Mr. Keys for their hard work on the FEMA Grant. Dr. Wilson would like to proceed with the softball/baseball facility as soon as possible. She would like to obtain pricing and be in a position to proceed with this progress with board approval. Mrs. Raby made a motion that Dr. Wilson could proceed as discussed with the softball/baseball facility; second by Vice Chairman Holland. All board members present voted aye.

Dr. Wilson announced that she will retire at the end of the calendar year, December 31. Dr. Wilson has been in education for 43 years and 34 in administration. She said she was giving plenty of time to choose her successor and hopes the board will choose someone who loves children.

Chairman Whitmore – said that a work session will be scheduled to discuss the process the board will use to search for the next director of schools. The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be on February 3, 2020.

The meeting was adjourned.



Jeff Whitmore, Chairman

Thomas Holland, Jr., Vice Chairman

Minutes submitted by JoAnn Scott