

**FAYETTEVILLE CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 18, 2020**

**Present:**

Jeff Whitmore, Chairman  
Tom Holland, Vice-Chairman  
Mark Clark  
Joyce Eady  
Jennifer Murdock  
Danny Bryant, Liaison  
Dr. Janine Wilson, Superintendent

**Also Attending:**

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

**Absent:**

Sarah Raby  
Cindy Young

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.

Vice Chairman Holland made a motion to approve minutes from the January 13, 2020 regularly scheduled board meeting; second by Mr. Clark. All board members present voted aye.

Mr. Clark made a motion to approve January disbursements; second by Mrs. Murdock. All board members present voted aye.

**Reports:**

**Facilities and Transportation** – The board reviewed the annual Fayetteville Parks and Recreation Facility Use Agreement dated January 14, 2020 with the Fayetteville City School System. Vice Chairman Holland made a motion to approve the agreement as written; second by Mr. Clark. All board members voted aye.

Mr. Perrin reported that Prater was awarded the bid to repair the gym floor beginning on May 18 and will be finished by the start of school in August.

Mr. Perrin presented a draft of the Academic Calendar for 2020-2021. Dr. Wilson requested a change in the graduation date from Friday, May 14 to Thursday, May 13 due to a scheduling conflict. Chairman Whitmore made a motion to make this date change on the proposed calendar; second by Mrs. Murdock. All board members present voted aye, with the exception of Mr. Clark who abstained from the vote.

**Finance –**

**Insurance and Policy** – Policy # 4.201 Basic Program – Mrs. Eady made a motion to approve on first reading; second by Mr. Clark. All board members present voted aye.

Policy # 6.411 Student Wellness – Mrs. Eady made a motion to approve on first reading; second by Vice Chairman Holland. All board members present voted aye.

Policy # 6.600 Student Records – Mrs. Eady made a motion to approve on first reading; second by Mr. Clark. All board members present voted aye.

Policy 6.603 Student Records – Mrs. Eady made a motion to delete Policy 6.603 Student Records; second by Mr. Clark. All board members present voted aye.

### **Supervisors' Report –**

**Mr. Perrin – No Report**

**Mrs. Dotson** – reported that Mr. Dwayne Greg, with the Gear Up Grant, congratulated FHS for having 98 percent of students eligible for TN Promise meet the FAFSA deadline. This was highest in the state and an increase over last year. Mrs. Dotson reported that Motlow received a GIFE Grant and Fayetteville City Schools is a part of that grant. It will pay for technology for FMS for a coding class and training of an instructor. It will help purchase a cart of laptops for use of coding instruction at FHS and training of an instructor. That is a great introductory course to lead into the dual enrollment cybersecurity classes. There will be dual enrollment in welding and industrial maintenance which is a part of the satellite of the Lincoln Center and a part of TCAT Shelbyville. We have four students participating in sign in day in TCAT Pulaski and two that will participate with TCAT Shelbyville.

**Mrs. Young – Absent**

**Mrs. Tuten** – continues to work on District Improvement Plan implementing data and looking at needs. This is due on March 1. We currently have a speech language pathologist position open. It is a contracted position covering parentally placed students. The position has been advertised since November. Amber Mefford and Susan Miller are covering those students for now. Mrs. Tuten said there are five special ed teachers, three special ed educational assistants and two general education teachers trained on the Wilson Reading System. One teacher is currently enrolled to become a Level I certified instructor which will allow her to coach and train other teachers. This teacher will be eligible for the Wilson Dyslexia Practitioner Professional Credentials so Mrs. Tuten is excited to be moving forward with that program.

**Mr. Jones** – reported that the FEMA Grant has progressed to a TEMA Grant. Letters will be communicated to politicians requesting their favorable opinion on the grant. Mr. Jones reported purchase of property across from FMS is being finalized.

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

**Bridgette Jones** – Dr. Jones reported that FAST is being monitored for usage of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant and Ms. Young is attending the monitoring. Mrs. Missy Pace is Askins Teacher of the Year. Jr. Pro basketball season is over. Beta Club Induction Ceremony and the Amazing Shake finals are on February 20. School bank for PreK has been added. Enrollment: PK – 79, Kindergarten – 103, First Grade – 103, Second Grade – 91, Third Grade – 90, Fourth Grade – 102, Spec Ed (not listed in regular homeroom) 17 for a total of 585.

**Steve Giffin** – reported that Mrs. Amy Giffin is FMS Teacher of the Year. FMS Beta Club Induction will be on February 25. FMS hosted Leadership Lincoln last Thursday. All sports are going well. Enrollment: Fifth Grade – 103, Sixth Grade – 124, Seventh Grade – 126, Eighth Grade – 97 with a total of 450.

**Adam McCormick** – distributed pictures of FHS students with their artwork at the Frist Building and a schedule of events. Leadership Lincoln Forum is on February 13, the student council blood drive was a success. School Spirit Awards Finalists were Athlete – Jacious Clark, Coach – Kenny Morson, Mascot – Seth Moyers and Sportsmanship – FHS Cheer Squad. Girls and boys basketball advance to the region games. Enrollment: Ninth Grade – 107, Tenth Grade – 86, Eleventh Grade – 87, Twelfth Grade – 88 with a total of 368.

#### **Superintendent's Report –**

Dr. Wilson presented a field trip request for the state FFA Convention on March 28, 2020 – April 1, 2020 in Gatlinburg. Mrs. Murdock made a motion to approve this request; second by Vice Chairman Holland. All board members present voted aye.

Dr. Wilson recommended tenure for Mrs. Christine Tuten. Vice Chairman Holland made a motion to approve tenure for Mrs. Tuten; second by Mrs. Eady. All board members present voted aye.

Dr. Wilson announced that the Utrust Principal Appreciation day was on February 6. She thanked the principals for the hard work and dedication to the school system on behalf of the board. She also told the board that FHS won \$200 for pictures submitted to Utrust for Employee Appreciation Days.

Dr. Wilson reported there was no credible threat to students or faculty today as posted on social media. There was a discussion among students regarding firearms, but Mr. McCormick took appropriate action in the matter.

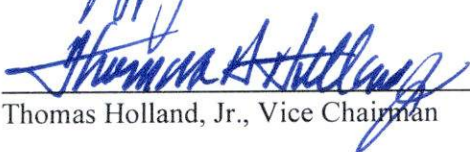
#### **Chairman's Report –**

Chairman Whitmore said on behalf of the board they also appreciate the principals for their hard work.

The next board meeting is scheduled for March 2 at 5:00 p.m. in the multi-purpose room. There will be a work session 2:00 p.m. on March 2 prior to the board meeting to discuss the five year strategic plan.

The meeting was adjourned.

  
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Jeff Whitmore, Chairman

  
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Thomas Holland, Jr., Vice Chairman

Minutes submitted by JoAnn Scott