

FORT PAYNE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BOARD BRIEFS

October 24, 2019, 6 P.M. Regular Monthly Meeting , Conference Room of the Central Office

Called the meeting to order and welcomed the guests.

Established a quorum.

Approved the minutes of the September 26, 2019, regular board meeting, as submitted.

I Personnel

A. Resignation

1. Accepted the resignation of Ashley Jackson, as Head Varsity Track Coach at Fort Payne High School, effective September 17, 2019, as submitted.
2. Accepted the resignation of Amber Parker, as a Bus Driver, effective November 4, 2019, as submitted.

B. Other

1. Approved the additions to the following substitute personnel list, effective for the 2019-2020 school year, as submitted:
  - Transportation

II Approve the following teachers, to provide homebound services for a student and continue per physicians written orders until the student is able to return to school or moves out of the Fort Payne City School District, as submitted:

- Hannah Turner, effective September 23, 2019
- Katherine Maples, effective October 17, 2019

II Approved the lowest bid substantially in compliance with the specifications in the amount of \$272,000.00 for the renovation of 4 existing Tennis Courts and the construction of 4 new Tennis Courts from Baseline Sports Construction, LLC., as submitted.

III Approved the September 2019, financial statements and bank reconciliation report, as submitted.

IV Superintendent's Report

Mr. Cunningham reported on the progress and awards received by the Fort Payne High School Band. "I want to congratulate the Fort Payne High School Band and our Band Directors, Ian Pask, Alana Garrett, and Jacen Garrett for an or outstanding year."

**Mid-South Competition**

Drum Major - 1

Color Guard- 1

Percussion- 1

Band Overall – 1

When comparing to the overall band rating across all classes, Fort Payne finished 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 30 bands. Our drum major, Ricardo Gonzalez, was also the 3<sup>rd</sup> highest score of the competition with a 98/100. Percussion tied for 2<sup>nd</sup> place with a 96/100. Colorguard finished 2<sup>nd</sup> with a 95/100.

**JSU Contest of Champions**

Dance Line- Superior

Color Guard- Superior

Percussion- Superior

IV Superintendent's Report (Continued)

Band- Superior

The band finished 1<sup>st</sup> Place in their class and in every category.

The band will travel to Rome High School for the Peach State Marching Festival on Saturday, October 26, 2019.

Mr. Cunningham announced the following Veterans Day Programs:

Fort Payne High School-Tuesday, November 5, 2019 at 9 a.m. in the FPHS Gym.

Wills Valley Elementary- November 8, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

Williams Avenue Elementary- November 8, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.

We will not have school on Monday, November 11, 2019.

Mr. Cunningham announced the Alabama Association of School Boards Association will offer a Webinar on Thursday, Nov. 7, 2019, from Noon to 1:00 p.m. The title of the webinar is "Building a Winning Team: Effective Board-Superintendent Relations".

Mr. Cunningham announced the whole board training session set for November 19, 2019.

Mr. Cunningham announced that the Best Robotics Competition was held today at the Rainsville Agribusiness Center. "I want to congratulate Mrs. Amanda Wells and our Best Robotics Team for an outstanding performance."

We had many students grades 4 through 6 competing in the Menlo Run last Friday. Our Third Grade Girls, Third Grade Boys, Fourth Grade Girls, Sixth Grade Girls, and Sixth Grade Boys all finished first as a team. Our Fifth Grade Girls and Boys both finished 2<sup>nd</sup>. Our Fourth Grade Boys came in 3<sup>rd</sup>. "I want to congratulate all participants and thank Mrs. Vicki Dodd and Coach Darrell Prater, and on a fantastic showing."

Mr. Cunningham congratulated Coach Elmore, his staff, and the FPHS Varsity Football Team for clinching the Regional Title. Our record is now 7-1 and we travel to Cullman this Friday night.

Mr. Cunningham reported on our state accountability Report Card. His report reflected a system-wide overall score of 89, which was up 4 points from the previous year. I am very appreciative of the hard work of staff and students last year. Their efforts for improvement were reflected in overall grade increase.

Mr. Cunningham presented Mr. Neal Baine with a Certificate of Achievement for completion of Level 2 training. He also presented Mrs. Kathy Prater with a Certificate of Achievement for completion of Level 3 training.

V Approved the FPCS vote for the AASB District VI District Director.

VI Approve **November 22, 2019, at 12:00 PM** in the conference room of the Central Office as the date, time and place of the next regular Board Meeting.

VII Adjourned