

FORT PAYNE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board Briefs

Regula Monthly Meeting, March 21, 2019, 6 PM in the Conference Room of the Central Office

Called the meeting to order and welcome the guests.

Established a quorum.

Approved the minutes of the February 28, 2019, regular meeting, as submitted.

I Presentation

A. Hannah Turner – Fort Payne High School

Alabama State Champion Real World Design Team

B. MDA Professional Group

II Personnel

A. Retirements

1. Accepted the resignation of Tracey Sayre, Math Teacher at Fort Payne High School, effective June 1, 2019, due to retirement, as submitted.
2. Accepted the resignation of Steve Chambers, Career Tech Teacher at Fort Payne High School, effective June 1, 2019, due to retirement, as submitted:
3. Accepted the resignation of Nancy Elliott, Art Teacher at Fort Payne High School, effective June 1, 2019, due to retirement, as submitted.
4. Accepted the resignation Kathy Kuhn, Reading Interventionists at Wills Valley Elementary School, effective February 28, 2019, due to retirement, as submitted.

B. Resignations

1. Accepted the resignation of Michael Banks, Head Junior High Volleyball Coach, effective March 5, 2019, as submitted.
2. Accepted the resignation of Kimberly Butler, as an EDP Teacher, effective March 12, 2019, as submitted.

C. Leaves

1. Approved a request from Paige Williamson, Math Teacher at Fort Payne Middle School for an unpaid Maternity Leave for Paige Williamson, effective April 1, 2019, through May 24, 2019, as submitted

D. Recommendations

1. Approved Steven Goff, as a 7th Grade Boys Basketball Coach, effective for the 2019-2020 school year, as submitted.
2. Approved Donna Brzezinski, as a CNP Worker at Williams Avenue Elementary School, effective March 22, 2019, and non-renew her contract on May 24, 2019, as submitted.
3. Approved Angela Little, as a CNP Worker at Wills Valley Elementary School, effective, March 22, 2019, and non-renew her contract on May 24, 2019, as submitted.

E. Other

1. Approved the additions to the following substitute personnel list, effective for the 2018-2019 school year, as submitted:

- CNP
- Teacher

- III Approved a request from Shawn Turner, History Teacher at Fort Payne High School, for an Emergency Leave of Absence, effective on the following dates, as submitted.
 - February 27, 2019 (1 half day)
 - February 28, 2019
- IV Approved a request from Evelyn Baber, 3rd Grade Teacher, at Williams Avenue Elementary School, for an Emergency Leave of Absence, effective for the following date, as submitted:
 - February 19, 2019
- V Approved a request from Kimberly Butler, Librarian at Williams Avenue Elementary School, for an Emergency Leave of Absence, effective for the following dates, as submitted:
 - February 22, 2019
 - February 26, 2019
- VI Approved Jackie Jennings 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, effective March 4, 2019, as submitted.
- VII Approved the 2019-2020 Academic School Calendar for Fort Payne City Schools, as submitted.
- VIII Approved the 2019 Summer School and Credit Recovery Program schedule, as submitted.
- IX Approved the 2019 Summer Drivers Education Schedule, as submitted.
- X Approved the following requests for out of state travel, as submitted.
 - Brian Jett, Athletic Director/Principal at FPHS
 - FPHS – JROTC Cadets
 - May 18, 2019, Lake Winnepesaukah, Rossville, GA
- XI Approved the 2018 Budget Amendment I, as submitted.
- XIII Approved the February 2019, financial statements and bank reconciliation reports, as submitted.
- XIV Superintendent’s Report

Mr. James B. Durham, Jr., Board President announced that Mr. Neal Baine had been reappointed to the Fort Payne City Board of Education. Mr. Cunningham expressed his congratulations and welcomed Mr. Baine back to the board for a second term.

Mr. Cunningham thanked the entire financial staff for doing a great job as reported in our financial audit. He also thanked MDA Professional Group for their work with our school system.

Mr. Cunningham thanked Mrs. Camp, Ms. Goza, and Mr. Black for outstanding results in the Northeast Alabama Technology Competition and wish them the best in the state competition. The Middle School students placed 1st in 30 projects, 2nd in 21 projects, and 3rd in 21 projects. Also, they had 52 1st place individual awards, 34 2nd place winners, and 53 3rd place winners. The Middle School will be sending 51 projects and 56 individuals on to state completion. Fort Payne High School students placed 1st in 45 projects, 2nd place in 33 projects, and 3rd place in 31 projects. The high school had 111 projects medal. Congratulations to both teams.

Mr. Cunningham congratulated Lieutenant Colonel John Walker and the FPHS JROTC Rifle team for winner the Alabama Department of the American Legion Commander’s Cup Competition. The team members are Devin Thomason, Ibet Perez, and Kristen Fowler. The team will now move to Regional Competition in Anniston. National competition will follow in June at Camp Perry, Ohio.

XIV Superintendent's Report (Continued)

Mr. Cunningham congratulated Mr. Ian Pask and the Fort Payne High School Band for a superior rating at the State Music Performance Assessment on March 1st at Gadsden High School. The superior rating is the highest rating possible. He also congratulated Mrs. Alana Garrett and the 7th and 8th FPMS Band for also receiving an overall Superior rating.

Mr. Cunningham announced the FPMS Winterguard has finished their regular season contests and will be competing in the Championships at UTC on March 30th and 31st. Both the JV and Varsity guards finished in the top 3 places at all contests this year. In their final contest at Chattahoochee High School the JV placed 2nd and the Varsity placed 1st. "The Winterguard has represented us well this year, and I believe they will both manage to finish strong at the Championships."

Mr. Cunningham announced the Fort Payne Gigawatts High School team competed this past weekend against 55 other teams from around the country at the Rocket City Regional. The students built a robot in six weeks and developed a business plan, booth presentation, and safety plan. They won the Rookie Inspiration Award based on their youth, impact on rural location, and well implemented business plan. Congratulations to Jamie McClung and the Gigawatts Team.

Mr. Cunningham announced the Fort Payne High School Prom is Saturday night, April 6, 2019, at the JSU Field School.

Mr. Cunningham reminded everyone that spring break is next week, March 25-29, 2019. We will return on Monday, April 1, with a teacher work day. Students will return on Tuesday, April 2, 2019.

XV Approved April 25, 2019, at 6:00 PM in the conference room of the Central Office as the date, time and place of the next regular Board Meeting. The Board also approved a Work Session beginning at 5:00 PM on this date.

XVI Adjourned