BOARD BRIEFS

Regular Monthly Meeting, September 28, 2017, 6 PM in the Conference Room

Called the meeting to order and welcomed the guests.

Established a quorum.

Approved the minutes of the August 24, 2017, regular board meeting, as submitted.

I Personnel

A. Leaves

- 1. Approved a request from Mamie Jo Miller, PE Teacher at Fort Payne Middle School, for Maternity Leave, effective September 23, 2017, through November 10, 2017, as submitted.
- 2. Approved a request from Alma Chavarria, EL Aide at Wills Valley Elementary School, for a Leave of Absence, effective January 3, 2018, through April 30, 2018, as submitted.
- 3. Approved a request from Alisha Stephens, First Grade Teacher at Wills Valley Elementary School, for a Maternity Leave, effective March 12, 2018, through April 13, 2018, as submitted.

B. Appointments

- 1. Approved Darren Westbrook, as an In School Suspension Instructor at Fort Payne Middle School, effective September 13, 2017, and non-renew his contract on May 25, 2018, as submitted.
- 2. Approved Jacen Garret, as a Junior High Softball Coach, effective for the 2017-2018, school year, as submitted.

C. Other

- 1. Approved the additions to the following substitute personnel list, effective for the 2017-2018 school year, as submitted:
 - Extended Day
 - Nurse
 - Teacher
- *II* Approved the following requests for out of state travel, as submitted:
 - Brian Jett, FPHS Principal/Athletic Director
 - FPHS FFA Student Representatives and Faculty Advisor National FFA Convention October 24-27, 2017 – Indianapolis, IN
 - Heath Shaddix, WAES Principal
 - WAES Cross Country Teams Menlo Cross Country Invitational October 19, 2017 – Menlo, GA
 - Shane Byrd, FPMS Principal
 - 5th and 6th Grade Cross Country Teams Menlo Cross Country Invitational October 19, 2017 – Menlo, GA
 - 5th Grade Cross Country Teams Berry Great Pumpkin Run October 27, 2017 – Rome, GA
- *III* Approved the following board policies, as submitted:
 - IDH Career/Technical Education Safety Policy
 - IDHA Career/Technical Education Maintenance, Repair, and Replacement of CTE equipment
 - IDHB Career/Technical Education Cooperative Education Program
 - JTA Student Live Work Policy

- *IV* Approved the Mechanic's Assistant salary schedule, as submitted.
- *V* Approved Rosalinda Craig 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 August 21, 2017, as submitted.
- *VI* Approved the Fort Payne City Schools Consolidated Plan, as submitted.
- *VII* Approved the following 2017-2018 ACIP Plans, as submitted:
 - Wills Valley Elementary School
 - Williams Avenue Elementary School
 - Fort Payne Middle School
 - Fort Payne High School
- *VIII* Approved the August 2017, financial statements and bank reconciliation report, as submitted.
- IX Superintendent's Report

Mr. Cunningham was pleased to announce that Mrs. Geri Johnson, Second Grade Teacher at Wills Valley Elementary was honored as a recipient of the <u>WHNT Tools for Teachers.</u> Congratulations to Mrs. Johnson!

Mr. Cunningham announced the Alabama State Superintendent had granted the systems *School Make-up Day Option Request* for September 11-12, 2017. Students and teachers will not be required to make-up these days.

On behalf of the Alabama Association of School Boards Mr. Cunningham presented a Level II Certificate of Achievement within the School Board Academy to Mrs. Kathy Prater and Mr. Randy McClung. Mr. Cunningham expressed his congratulations to both Board Members for the accomplishment.

Mr. Cunningham congratulated the Girls Cross Country Team for their ranking of No. 1 in the State in the 6A classification.

Mr. Cunningham congratulated Fort Payne High School for being raked the 4th Best High School in the state of Alabama by NICHE. Niche is the largest website for researching public and private K-12 schools.

Mr. Cunningham was also proud to announce that our school system was ranked by the NICHE website as No. 17 in the state of Alabama. Alabama currently has 137 school systems. Mr. Cunningham announced the Best Robotics Competition is set for Saturday, October 28, 2017, at the Rainsville Agri-Business Center.

Mr. Cunningham reminded the Board that our system will be under ALSDE monitoring October 23-26, 2017.

Mr. Cunningham announced Fort Payne High School will hold their annual Veteran's Day Program at 9 A.M. on November 7, 2017.

Mr. Cunningham reminded the Board that school will not be in session October 9-10, 2017, due to fall break.

Mr. Cunningham reported on the bid openings today for the field house renovations.

Mr. Cunningham reminded the Board that we will play Albertville for homecoming on Friday, October 20, 2017. The homecoming parade will be on Thursday, October 19, 2017. Mr. Cunningham extended an invitation on behalf of the FPHS Student Council to the

Board Members to participate in the parade. The Board will meet at Westmoreland Tire around 5:15 P.M. on the afternoon of the parade.

Mr. Cunningham announced that we are off to an outstanding start to this school year and it is hard to believe that we have just completed our 36^{th} day with students.

- *X* Approved a called Board Meeting for Wednesday, October 4, 2017, at 2:00 P.M. in the conference room of the Central Office to review and consider the apparent low bid substantially in compliance with the specifications for the fieldhouse renovation.
- *XI* Approved October 26, 2017, at 6:00 PM in the conference room of the Central Office as the date, time and place of the next regular board meeting.
- XII Adjourned