

FORT PAYNE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

BOARD BRIEFS

May 16, 2024, Regular Meeting 6:00PM in the Conference Room of the Central Office

- I Called the meeting to order and welcomed the guests.
- II Established a quorum.
- III Approved the minutes of the April 25, 2024, regular meeting, as submitted.
- IV Presentations

A. Recognition of Retirees

V Personnel

A. Retirements

- 1. Amended the resignation date of Lt. Col. John Walker, JROTC Instructor at Fort High School, from June 1, 2024 to July 1, 2024, due to retirement, as submitted.

B. Resignations

- 1. Accepted the following personnel resignations, as submitted:
 - Alana Garrett, Middle School Band Director at Fort Payne Middle School, effective May 24, 2024
 - Amanda Johnson, Agri-Science Teacher at Fort Payne Middle School, effective May 24, 2024
 - Kelly Horton, Art Teacher at Wills Valley Elementary School (a 1-year leave), effective May 24, 2024
 - Yadelis Robayna de Gomez, System-wide EL Teacher, effective May 24, 2024
 - Nallely Santiago, System-wide SPE Aide, effective May 24, 2024
 - Theodore J. Enns, Bus Driver, effective May 24, 2024
 - Randy Justice, Half-time Bus Driver, effective May 24, 2024
 - Edward Bolton, Girls Soccer Coach at Fort Payne High School, effective at the end of the 2023-2024 season
 - Daryl Lester, Girls Soccer Coach at Fort Payne High School, effective at the end of the 2023-2024 season
 - Cody Willingham, Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach at Fort Payne High School, effective April 18, 2024
 - Eric Rogers, Head Jr. High Softball Coach at Fort Payne Middle School, effective at the end of the 2023-2024 season
 - RiLee Street, Assistant Jr. High Softball Coach at Fort Payne Middle School, effective May 31, 2024

V Personnel (continued)

C. Transfers

1. Approved the transfer of the following personnel, effective August 1, 2024, as submitted:
 - Paige Williamson, 7th and 8th Grade Math Teacher at Fort Payne Middle School, to a Math Teacher at Fort Payne High School
 - Hannah Bryant, Intervention Teacher at Little Ridge Intermediate School, to a Certified Academic Language Therapy (CALT) Specialist, at Wills Valley Elementary School
 - Keri Garrett, Intervention Teacher at Little Ridge Intermediate School, to a Certified Academic Language Therapy (CALT) Specialist, Half-time at Fort Payne Middle School and Fort Payne High School
 - Becky Crawford, System-wide SPE Teacher at Little Ridge Intermediate School, to a System SPE Teacher at Fort Payne High School
2. Approved a request from Dr. Jason Barnett, Superintendent of Guntersville City School System to transfer Brandi Jett, Half-time Math Interventionist at Wills Valley Elementary School and Little Ridge Intermediate School to a Full-time Math Interventionist at Little Ridge Intermediate School, as submitted.

D. Contracts

1. Approved the contract non-renewal for the following Fort Payne City School Personnel for the 2024-2025 school year, as submitted.
 - Support
 - Certified
2. Approved the contract renewal for the following Fort Payne City School Personnel for the 2024-2025 school year, as submitted.
 - One-year contract of Support Personnel
 - One-year contract of Certified Personnel
3. Approved the revision of Melissa Knowles, System-wide Data Manager/Technology Integration Specialist, employment contract from a 10 month to a 12-month contract, effective July 1, 2024, as submitted.
4. Approved the revision of Elvis Majano, Part-time Residency Verification Officer, employment contract to be extended from May 27, 2024, to July 31, 2024, as submitted.

E. Recommendations

1. Approved the recommendation of the follow employees, effective August 1, 2024, as submitted:
 - John Sawyer Strickland, Assistant Band Director to be split between Fort Payne High School and Fort Payne Middle School
 - Heather Hawk
 - System-wide Physical Education Teacher
 - Assistant Softball Coach
 - Assistant Volleyball Coach at Fort Payne High School
 - Taylor Fountain, Elementary Teacher at Little Ridge Intermediate School
 - Andrea White, Elementary Teacher at Little Ridge Intermediate School
 - Sheldonna Chapell Wise, Elementary Teacher at Little Ridge Intermediate School
 - Kenzie Traylor, System-wide Special Education Teacher
 - Cynthia Baumann, System-wide CNP Worker
 - Heather Powell, Head Volleyball Coach at Fort Payne High School
 - Matthew Shaddix, Instructional Aide Half-time at Fort Payne Middle School and Half-time at Fort Payne High School

V Personnel (continued)

E. Recommendations

- Tom Shanklin, Head Boys Soccer Coach at Fort Payne High School, effective May 16, 2024
- Michael Farmer, Co-Head Girls Soccer Coach at Fort Payne High School, effective May 16, 2024
- Marion Limon, Co-Head Girls Soccer Coach at Fort Payne High School, effective May 16, 2024

F. Other

1. Approved the additions to the following substitute personnel list, effective for the 2023-2024 school year, as submitted:

- CNP

VI Approved the following requests for out of state travel, as submitted.

- Scott Timmons, Principals FPHS/Athletic Director
 - FPHS JROTC – National JROTC Drill Camp
July 6-12, 2024 – Kerrville, TX
 - FPHS Drone Class – SkillsUSA Nationals
June 28-30, 2024 – Atlanta, GA

VII Approved a request to authorize Brian L. Jett, Superintendent to enter into negotiations with the City of Fort Payne regarding the procurement and maintenance of a narcotic canine unit, as submitted.

VIII Approved the FY2024 Budget Amendment I, as submitted.

IX Approved the April 2024, financial statements and bank reconciliation reports, as submitted.

X Superintendent's Report

Mr. Jett thanked each of the retirees for their service to the Fort Payne City School System.

Mr. Jett congratulated the FPHS Boys Soccer Team and Coaches for advancing to the 6A Semi Finals for the 7th year in a row.

Congratulations to the FPHS Boys and Girls Golf Teams as they advanced to Sub-State in Cullman.

Mr. Jett congratulated the FPHS Boys and Girls Track and Field Teams on their outstanding performance at the State Track Meet. The girls finished runner-up in 6A and brought home a red trophy. The All-State performances were, Cooper Garrett, State Champion in the Javelin. The boys 4x800 Team of Tyler Anthony, Daniel DeLeon, Pablo Rodriguez and Samuel Moses finished 2nd Place and set a new school record. Aubrey Evans finished 2nd Place in the High Jump. The Girls 4x400 Team of Ruthie Jones, Sara Boatwright, Lydie Varnadore and

X Superintendent's Report (Continued)

Sophia Trammell finished 2nd Place. Lydie Varnadore placed 3rd in the 100-meter hurdles. Great season!!

Mr. Jett was honored to announce and congratulate the Class of 2024. They have surpassed the challenge set before them of applying to colleges, applying for multiple scholarships, attending job and hiring fairs, and planning for their successful futures. They had some impressive totals in years past at FPHS, but this year's class deserves to be recognized and honored for their accomplishments.

This class has 29 percent (76) students attending a four-year university.

41 percent (109 students) attending a two-year college or technical college to earn a degree or certificate and possibly then transfer to a four-year university.

This is a total of 70 percent of the class who will be attending college!

63 percent (166 students) who have been offered one or more scholarships

30 percent (80 students) heading straight to the workforce.

And 6 students enlisting in the military.

A NEW FORT PAYNE HIGH SCHOOL RECORD BREAKING grand total of scholarship offers of \$8,825,602!!

Congratulations to the Class of 2024!!

XI Approved Carolyn Martin, as Board President of the Fort Payne City Board of Education for the 2024-2025 school year.

XII Approved Neal Baine, as Vice-President of the Fort Payne City Board of Education for the 2024-2025 school year.

XIII The date, time and place of the next regular Board Meeting will be June 13, 2024 at 6:00 PM in the conference room of the Central Office.

XIV Adjourned