

**Minutes of the Board of Education of the FAYETTE R-III School District
November 20, 2019 6:30 p.m.
Regular Board Meeting
Fayette High School Media Center**

Board Members Present: Gose, Anderson, Stroupe, Young, Vandelight, Overfelt
Hudson participated by phone
Also present: Superintendent Jill Wiseman and Board Secretary Trish Elliott
Administrators: Cheri Huster, Brent Doolin, Patrick Tray and Melissa Duren

CALL TO ORDER: President Gose called the regular meeting of the Fayette R-III Board of Education to order at 6:30 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Josh Kirby, Deana Bartholomew, Cortney Pettit, Derek Bryant, Andrew Robinson and Natasha Wilson addressed the board regarding the possible transition of the district moving to a 4-day school week.

SPOTLIGHT: Student Representative Grant Himmelmann presented an update on the football and softball seasons; practices have begun for basketball, cheer and baseball; band members will attend Clinic Band in Chillicothe, Choir members are preparing for the winter concert and quiz bowl members are practicing trivia.

FFA members Jonathan Ebbesmeyer, Mollie Thies, Carly Stark and Will Beaman reported on the FFA National Convention trip and the FFA program and activities.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA: Stroupe moved, Overfelt seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

CTA REPORT: Glenda Beardmore, representing CTA, shared highlights on things going on in the classrooms.

LIBRARY/MEDIA CENTERS: Mrs. Jan Bagby and Mrs. Amy Uthlaut provided a written report on the measurable CSIP goals and objectives for the Library Media Centers. The DES/CMS Scholastic book fair netted \$5831.36, which will provide \$2752.05 in additional books and materials for the library. Additional Chromebooks have been added to the FHS library for student use. Both librarians plan to attend the MASL Spring Conference for School Library professional development in April.

PRINCIPAL REPORTS: Daly Elementary Principal, Mrs. Huster reported teachers have submitted their professional development plans through NEE. Highlights were shared on P/T Conferences with 94% of parents participating, the second Falcon Fest of the school year awarded students for Responsibility and Reading and students scoring advanced or proficient on the Spring 2018 MAP tests were recognized. The Veteran's Day Assembly at Daly Elementary School honored Veterans with the local scouts presenting the colors, Addison Gibbs and Gracie Innes, 5th grade essay award winners, read their essays and Therese Stevens was the guest speaker. PTSA

hosted a VIP breakfast for students and their VIP's. Elementary enrollment is 268 with 34 in Preschool. 91% of DES students attended 90% of the time in October.

Clark Middle School Principal, Mr. Doolin reported on the November PD day. Ruthie Espenschied delivered CPR/AED training for all faculty members and our school counselors presented on mental health awareness, warnings signs and other indicators students may have that are experiencing a mental health crisis. The PD day was dedicated to helping teachers care for our students' non-academic needs. Mr. Doolin, Mr. Ball and Ms. Beaman recently attended the regional DCI conference. District Continuous Improvement is a state sponsored school improvement initiative, which focuses on effective instruction and learning practices. Middle School enrollment is 134 and 93.3% of CMS students attended 90% of the time this school year.

Fayette High School Principal, Mr. Tray thanked the students and staff for being so amazing during his extended medical leave. Three new enrichment courses are currently being offered during 8th hour, Holiday Crafts, Stretching and Everyday Exercise, and Science Olympiad. There are also students enrolled in dual credit Statistics and Jazz Band and other students are in study hall. In conjunction with Central Missouri Community Action the FHS sophomore students took place in a REALL simulation. The REALL Simulation is designed to address decision making in the youth population. It helps to show students what life may become, based on some of the choices they make, especially the choice to stay in school and receive an education. Seniors had the opportunity to participate in Mock interviews on November 13. Several volunteers were present to provide the interviewees with the most authentic experience possible while also giving them extensive feedback and constructive criticism to help improve their interview skills.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Superintendent Wiseman provided an update on the district APR report. Our students continue to perform above the state average in most categories, and we are proud of their achievements. In total achievement in English Language Arts, we saw increases in scores of 3.8%, keeping us above the state average. In total achievement in Math, we saw a slight decline in scores of 1.1% but scores remain higher than the state average. Our subgroup achievement in ELA saw an increase in scores of 8.2% (though slightly below the state average performance). Our subgroup achievement in Math increased by 1.1%, which also put us above the state average. Our students continue to have strong performance in College and Career Readiness categories in assessments, advanced placement and postsecondary placement. All scores in these areas are well above the state average. The ACT report for 2019 shows an average composite score for our district at 20.8, the same as the state composite.

ACTION ITEMS: Four Day School Week- Anderson motioned to transition to the 4-day school week for the 2020-2021 school year, Overfelt seconded. Vote was called: 2 No, 4 Yes, Motion carried.

Superintendent Wiseman recommended approval of the additional 9 in-town stops to the current bus routes for 2019-2020. Mr. Doolin shared that we have 78 students signed up to utilize these 9 additional in-town stops. Mr. Beeler and Mr. Doolin will ride the routes on December 2nd and 3rd to go over expectations and handle any issue that might occur on the first days. Stroupe motioned to approve as recommended, Young seconded. Motion carried.

Superintendent Wiseman recommended approval of the 2019 Final Audit. The accounting firm of Gerding, Korte & Chitwood completed the annual district audit in compliance with applicable state and federal requirements. Overfelt motioned to approve as recommended and Young seconded. Motion carried.

Superintendent Wiseman recommended approval of the filing dates for the April 2020 Board Election. Filing begins December 17, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. and will continue through January 21, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Filing will not occur on days and hours that the central office is closed due to inclement weather and holidays. Tuesday, January 28, 2020 the certification for the ballot is due to the County Clerk/Election Authority. Anderson motioned to set the filing dates as recommended, Stroupe seconded. Motion carried.

Superintendent Wiseman recommended approval of the 2020 M.U.S.I.C. Insurance Renewal Assessment with Umbrella Policy. The renewal fee is \$91,244 before an 8% credit of \$7,300, which brings the net assessment due to \$83,944. The cost last year was \$84,457. Superintendent Wiseman also recommended reinstating the umbrella policy to add an additional limit of \$4,000,000 to the current coverage included in the renewal. Discussion took place. Young motioned to approve the M.U.S.I.C. Insurance Renewal with the additional umbrella policy as recommended for a total cost of the policy to be \$87,728, Overfelt seconded. Motion carried.

Superintendent Wiseman recommended approval of a \$200 donation to Project Graduation 2020. Stroupe motioned to approve the donation as recommended, Overfelt seconded. Motion carried.

Superintendent Wiseman recommended approval of the Walmart grant applications being written by Amy Uthlaut and Michele Stornello. Anderson motioned to approve as recommended, Overfelt seconded. Motion carried.

The MSBA Board Report was viewed at the meeting.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Overfelt motioned, Vandelight seconded, to go into closed session according to Section 610.021 (3) (13) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri for the purpose of hiring, firing, discipline, or promoting of personnel for the Fayette R-III School District. Voice vote: Anderson yes, Stroupe yes, Young yes, Gose yes, Overfelt yes, and Vandelight yes. Motion carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned to closed session at 7:29 p.m.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Anderson motioned, Stroupe seconded, to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. Voice vote: Anderson yes, Stroupe yes, Young yes, Gose yes, Overfelt yes, and Vandelight yes. Motion carried 6-0.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY