

**RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS**

(MINUTES)

**Fulton, KY, July 20, 2021**

The **Fulton Independent** Board of Education met at **Board of Education Office** at **5:45** o'clock **P. M.** on the **20th** day of **July, 2021** with the following members present:

- (1) **Mrs. Debbie Vaughn, Chair** (2) **Mrs. Carol Bransford, Vice-Chair** (3) **Mrs. Christy Pettigrew**  
(4) **Mrs. Rea Jones** (5) **Mr. Bill Robertson**

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF  
FULTON INDEPENDENT BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**CALL TO ORDER**

1. Mrs. Debbie Vaughn, Board Chair, called the Regular Monthly Meeting of Fulton Independent Board of Education to order at 5:45 p.m.

**PRAYER**

2. Superintendent DeAnna Miller opened the meeting with prayer.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**OATH OF OFFICE**

4. Mr. Bill Robertson took the Oath of Office for School Board Member following his appointment by Commissioner of Education, Jason Glass, Ed.D. The oath was administered by Mrs. Becky Fisette, Notary Public.

**ROLL CALL**

5. Mrs. Debbie Vaughn, Mrs. Carol Bransford, Mrs. Rea Jones, Mrs. Christy Pettigrew, and Mr. Bill Robertson were present for roll call.

**SUPERINTENDENT ATTENDANCE**

6. Superintendent Miller was present for the July meeting.

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

7. With the recommendation of Superintendent Miller, a motion by Mr. Robertson and second by Mrs. Bransford, the July 20, 2021, Regular Monthly Meeting Agenda was approved as presented.

Members voting yes: Mrs. Bransford, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Pettigrew, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

8. With a motion by Mrs. Jones and second by Mrs. Pettigrew, the Board approved the minutes of the June 15, 2021, Regular Monthly Meeting as presented by the Board Secretary.

Members voting yes: Mrs. Bransford, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Pettigrew, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

9. With a motion by Mrs. Bransford and second by Mrs. Jones, the Board accepted the reports and approved action items listed in the consent agenda as follows:

**A. ASAP Moment – Extended School Services Program**

Mr. Kent Green, ESS Coordinator, provided the ASAP Moment by presenting a summary of the 2020-2021 Extended School Services Program. Mr. Green noted that in addition to after-school tutoring, ESS also funded Summer School through credit recovery.

**B. Community Education Report**

Community Education Director, Olivia Crawford, updated Board Members on the activities she conducted during May and June, 2021.

Attachment A

**C. Murray Head Start Lease Continuation**

Board Members received and agreed to the notification that Murray Head Start has opted to continue the lease agreement with Fulton Independent School to conduct the Head Start program at Carr Elementary for the 2021-2022 school year.

**D. FRYSC Activities Update**

Ms. Tracy Pulley, Family Resource / Youth Services Center Coordinator, submitted a report to Board Members detailing the activities and services she provided during June, 2021.

Attachment B

**E. Food Service Report**

Mrs. Ashley Teasley, Food Service Director, submitted the Monthly Food Service Report, outlining Food Service Department activity through June, 2021.

**F. Fund Raising Request**

There were no fund raising requests submitted.

**G. Grants Update**

Superintendent Miller informed Board Members of the district's receipt of the Family Resource Youth Service Center (FRYSC) Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) grant in the amount of \$150,000 over a two year period. The grant is intended to provide early childhood education opportunities for expectant mothers and children age birth – 5, who reside in Fulton, KY.

**H. IDEA Determination Letter**

Board members reviewed and accepted the 2021 Special Education Annual Determination Letter stating that Fulton Independent School District meets requirements as set forth by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

**I. Surplus**

Board Members declared presented items as surplus and authorized their sale or disposal.

Attachment C

**J. Summer Ignite Teachers of the Month**

Jennifer Caldwell and Kathy Thweatt were named as June Teachers of the Month for their participation in the Summer Ignite Program for Carr Elementary and Fulton High School respectively. Mrs. Cayce Batts, School Social Worker and Summer Ignite Program Leader, presented the awards and provided information on the program which is intended to accelerate P-12 grade student academic achievement through summer activities, field trips, etc.

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Members voting yes: Mrs. Bransford, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Pettigrew, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**10.** There were no public comments.

**PERSONNEL REPORT**

**11.** Superintendent Miller informed the Board of the following personnel actions:

*Appointments:* Jean Little, Assistant Principal  
Kristina Bohannon, Preschool Teacher

*Resignations:* Mancell Elam, Principal  
Kristen Boaz, Elementary Teacher  
Adrienne O'Neill, Elementary Teacher

*Retirement:* Doug Fisette, Bus Driver (effective: Sept. 1, 2021)

*Transfers:* Amy Chicoine, from MS Science Teacher to Curriculum Director

**CERTIFIED EVALUATION PLAN**

**12.** With the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion by Mrs. Pettigrew and second by Mr. Robertson, the Board approved the revised 2021-2022 Certified Evaluation Plan as submitted by Mrs. Sarah Townsend, Director of Student Services. The plan was modified in order to accommodate changes in titles and duties assigned to administrative staff.

Members voting yes: Mrs. Bransford, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Pettigrew, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

**APPROVAL OF E-SPORTS ADDITION TO ATHLETIC PROGRAM & START UP FUNDS**

**13.** With the recommendation of Superintendent Miller, a motion by Mrs. Bransford and second by Mrs. Jones, the Board approved the addition of E-Sports, an online gaming option approved by KHSAA, to the athletic program at Fulton Middle / High School. The Board also agreed to provide \$3000 in start-up funds to be transferred from the \$6000 stipend for Cheer Coach approved in the Extra-Duty Salary Schedule. There are no plans to have a cheerleading squad for the 2021-2022 school year.

Members voting yes: Mrs. Bransford, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Pettigrew, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

**FINANCIAL REPORTS AND ORDERS OF THE TREASURER**

**14.** With a motion by Mr. Robertson second by Mrs. Bransford, the Board approved the monthly Financial Statement and Claims, and Activity Account Reports, as presented by Becky Fisette, Finance Officer, and Kim Farmer, Activity Account Treasurer.

Members voting yes: Mrs. Bransford, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Pettigrew, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

**2022-2023 NON-RESIDENT CONTRACTS**

15. With the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion by Mrs. Pettigrew and second by Mrs. Jones, the Board approved the presented non-resident student contracts releasing SEEK funds for ADA on students attending school in other districts but residing in the Fulton Independent School District. The contracts are for the 2022-2023 school year and are as follows, but subject to change based on potential legislation:

- Paducah Independent – any/all
- Mayfield Independent – 10 students/one-for-one after 10
- Hickman County – 10 students
- Graves County – 10 students/one-for-one after 10
- Carlisle County – 10 students/one-for-one after 10
- Fulton County – 46 / Based on specific individual students residing in Fulton Ind School District and currently attending Fulton County. Number to decrease to 25 (or one-for-one) as those individuals leave through graduation, withdrawal, etc. Student spaces shall not be filled with additional students who are not on the 2020-2021 non-resident list.

Members voting yes: Mrs. Bransford, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Pettigrew, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

**ANNUAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES UPDATE – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

16. With the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion by Mrs. Jones and second by Mrs. Bransford, the Board approved the second reading of the 2021-2022 Policies and Procedures Updates as provided by KSBA.

Members voting yes: Mrs. Bransford, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Pettigrew, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

**CLOSED SESSION - Potential Litigation (KRS 61.810(1)(c))**

17. With the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion by Mrs. Pettigrew and second by Mrs. Bransford, the Board moved to go into Closed Session at 6:30 p.m., in order to discuss potential litigation as authorized by KRS 61.810(1)(c).

Members voting yes: Mrs. Bransford, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Pettigrew, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

**OPEN SESSION**

18. Open Session was resumed at 6:47 p.m., on a motion by Mr. Robertson and second by Mrs. Jones.

Members voting yes: Mrs. Bransford, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Pettigrew, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

**APPROVAL OF COUNCIL FOR BETTER EDUCATION RESOLUTION**

19. With the recommendation of Superintendent Miller, a motion by Mrs. Bransford and second by Mr. Robertson, the Board approved the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION  
Of Fulton Independent Board of Education**

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that Fulton Independent Board of Education authorizes Superintendent DeAnna Miller to take all necessary steps to support the Council for Better Education, Inc. (“CBE”), in its legal challenge to the unconstitutionality of the tax credits in House Bill 563, including the payment of any appropriate dues or assessments related to this school district’s membership in CBE or its support of the referenced legal challenge.

Members voting yes: Mrs. Bransford, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Pettigrew, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

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**ADJOURNMENT**

20. With a motion by Mrs. Pettigrew and second by Mrs. Jones, the Board meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Members voting yes: Mrs. Bransford, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Pettigrew, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

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Chair

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Secretary