



MINUTES  
FARRAGUT / KNOX COUNTY SCHOOLS  
EDUCATION RELATIONS COMMITTEE  
OCTOBER 4, 2016  
4:00 PM

**Committee Members Present:**

Kristen Pennycuff-Trent, Carla Werner, Tony Carasso, LeAnn Trotter

**Committee Members Absent:**

Drew Carson

**Staff Present:**

Gary Palmer, Jenn Hatmaker

**Guests:**

Ben Pounds, FarragutPress

**Call to Order**

Chair Pennycuff-Trent called the meeting to order.

**Approval of the Minutes**

Chair Pennycuff-Trent stated that Ms. Trotter was assigned as the liaison to Farragut Intermediate School. The minutes were amended to reflect Ms. Trotter as the Farragut Intermediate School liaison. Mr. Carasso moved to approve the amended August 2, 2016 minutes. Ms. Werner seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**Principal for a Day**

Chair Pennycuff-Trent provided an overview of the Principal for a Day program which will be on November 15, 2016. Chair Pennycuff-Trent stated that she can submit the names and contact information of any committee members who would like to participate.

## Review Any Action Items

### **a. Teacher Appreciation Program:**

Mr. Palmer stated that Town Administrator David Smoak is good with the committee moving forward with the program. Mr. Palmer or Chair Pennycuff-Trent will go before the Board of Mayor and Aldermen to present the program once it is on the Board's agenda. Mr. Palmer stated that he will try to get it on the November 10, 2016 or December 8, 2016 Board agenda. Mr. Palmer stated that he will recommend that the Board approve a "not to exceed" amount for the budget since each year the number of teachers that Knox County awards changes.

### **b. School Visits**

Ms. Trotter visited Farragut Intermediate School on September 19 and met with Principal Reggie Mosley for approximately one hour. Ms. Trotter stated that Principal Mosley said he is aware of the committee meetings, but his schedule has not allowed him to visit a meeting. Ms. Trotter stated that Principal Mosley said that Tuesday afternoons are typically saved in Knox County for staff meetings and professional development.

### **c. Liaison to Other Committees**

Mr. Palmer stated that the Economic Development Committee (EDC) meets tomorrow morning, October 5, at 8am. Mr. Palmer will talk to the EDC about a liaison from the Education Committee visiting the EDC meetings. Mr. Palmer stated that the Farragut Business Alliance (FBA) Executive Director resigned, so he will wait until the new Executive Director is hired before going to the FBA about a liaison from the Education Committee attending FBA meetings.

### **d. Intro to Farragut Education Class**

Chair Pennycuff-Trent stated that she will be presenting to the Introduction to Farragut Class on November 2 and invites any interested committee members to attend.

### **e. Youth Engagement**

Mr. Palmer asked committee members to push the Youth Engagement Program when meeting with school principals. Currently, one student is participating and is serving as the youth representative on the Planning Commission.

Ms. Werner moved to adjourn. Mr. Carasso seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**Next meeting Tuesday, December 6, 2016 at 4 PM in the Town Hall Board Room.**