



MINUTES
FARRAGUT EDUCATION RELATIONS COMMITTEE
Monday, June 5, 2023

Members Present: Vice Mayor Louise Povlin, Mary Cook, Beth Duncan

Members Absent: Mary Nussbaum, Michelle, Morrow, William Cabaniss, Michelle Lin, Vaishnavi Tathineni

Staff Present: Jennifer Hatmaker

Guest: Michelle Hollenhead

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Beth Duncan, quorum present.

Approval of Minutes

Approval of March 6, 2023 Education Relations Committee Minutes was moved to next scheduled meeting.

Appointment of Youth Representative(s)

Youth Representative applications were reviewed by the committee.

Beth Duncan made a motion to appoint Abby Doyle, Davis Baxter, Lauren King and Sophie Lu as youth representatives to the Farragut Education Relations Committee. Louise Povlin seconded the motion; all present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Teacher Awards Update – Mary Cook

Received 115 nominations for Golden Anchor Awards; more than 40 nominations were received for teachers. Ben Collins, Jeffrey Gatewood, Holly Kelly, Kelly Loveday, and Dennis Tabisz each received a Golden Anchor Award.

Student Scholarships Update – Mary Cook

Two student scholarships were awarded: Pearl and Lafayette Hubbs Scholarship and the Ryan Shoup Scholarship. The Pearl and Lafayette Hubbs Scholarship is endowed by Virginia Palmer, a Farragut High School graduate, in memory of her parents. The Ryan Shoup Scholarship is in member of Coach Ryan Shoup and is awarded to a Marketing and Business Academy student.

Lily Plewniak received the Pearl and Lafayette Hubbs Scholarship.

Ty Finnigan received the Ryan Shoup Scholarship.

July Meeting Date Discussion

The July 2023 meeting of the Education Relations Committee is scheduled for July 3, 2023. Due to the holiday, Chair Beth Duncan cancelled the July 3, 2023 meeting. The next meeting will be held on August 7, 2023.

Farragut High School Update – Beth Duncan

- Farragut High School graduated over 500 students on the football field.
- Working on hiring teachers. Several teachers resigned from the high school, some left for teaching positions in Oak Ridge and Maryville.
- Will be making improvements and updates to some areas of the school over the summer.

Any Other Business

- Louise Povlin asked the committee to help recruit people to fill positions on the committee that are currently vacant or will be vacant including a representative for Farragut Primary School, Farragut Intermediate School, and the Farragut High School Education Foundation.
- Beth Duncan stated that it may be beneficial to add a requirement that the youth representatives who are serving on Town of Farragut committees must attend a Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting.

Next Meeting August 7, 2023

Meeting adjourned 4:54pm