

Georgia Milestones Assessment

Fairplay currently performs in the top 22% of the middle schools in the state of Georgia as determined by the Georgia Milestones scores. These students achieved “distinguished” ratings across all content areas on the Georgia Milestones:

Maxwell Barnett

Caleb Wiggins

Elise Lane

Band and Chorus

The Fairplay Band, under the direction of Jonathan Broome, and Chorus, under the direction of Lynnelle Terry, both received “superior” ratings at their Large Group Performance Evaluations last spring. The following outstanding members of the Band and Chorus were recognized:

Austin Weaver

Maddie Archer

Emmaline Conn

Ashlynn Osborne

Luke Dixon

Rachel Dowdy

Softball Team

The softball team has won back-to-back county championships. These members of the team were recognized:

Rachel Gordon

Lily Agan

Lindsey Schroyer

Kaylie Morgan

Teacher Recognition

The following faculty members were recognized:

Adrienne Griffin – Douglas County Middle School Teacher of the Year

Kim Burdett – Douglas County Middle School Counselor of the Year

Kristi Parham – Fairplay Teacher of the Semester

Consent Agenda

The Board approved certified and classified personnel. The surplus of furniture, books and other items was approved.

Discussion Agenda

Student Achievement and Leadership

Mr. Wiley Dailey, Director Assessment, Accountability, and Evaluation, and Mrs. Jessica Ainsworth, Assistant Director of Assessment, provided an overview of Georgia Milestones (GMAS) including results from the 2014-2015 school year.

Mrs. Pam Nail, Chief Academic Officer, presented information on the McGraw Hill Learning and Assessment Management System. Recommendation will be made at the February 1, 2016 Board Meeting to approve purchase of the system.

Finance

Mr. Greg Denney, Chief Financial Officer, presented information on the MUNIS-Bid Management and eProcurement Modules as additional components to the current financial software system. This item will be on the action agenda at the February 1, 2016, board meeting.

Operations

Dr. Tim Scott, Assistant Superintendent of District Operations, gave information on the publicity provided by the school system on the upcoming ESPLOST V vote, including fact sheets, video, and speaking engagements.

Dr. Tim Scott provided information on CompassLearning software for Math and Language Arts instruction. Recommendation will be made at the February 1, 2016, meeting to approve the annual renewal.

Action Agenda

Finance

The Board approved the November financial report as presented.

Information Only

Overnight and out of state field trips

Present were Board Members D.T. Jackson, District II, Chair; Carol Lindstrom, District I, Vice Chair; Tracy Rookard, District III; Michelle Simmons, District IV; and Jeff Morris, District V. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Gordon Pritz; Chief Academic Officer Pam Nail; Assistant Superintendent of District Operations Dr. Tim Scott; Chief Financial Officer Greg Denney; Assistant Superintendent of Personnel and Policy Dr. Michelle Ruble; Assistant Superintendent of Student Services E. Renee Davis; Community Relations Director Karen Stroud; and Secretary to the Superintendent Melanie Nicholson.

Upcoming meetings of the Douglas County Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting on Monday, February 1, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.

Regular Board Meeting on Monday, February 8, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.