

Fairhope Public Schools Commission
June 3, 2020

Members present: Robert Brown, Tanya Bosarge, Ken Cole, Danielle Mashburn-Myrick, Carrie McLemore, Hill Robinson, Miranda Schrubbe, Cornelius Woods

Members absent: Robin Coleman

Principals present: Carol Broughton, Julie Pierce, Caroline Hollowell (Fairhope West Elementary Reading Coach)

Guest: James Watkins

Ken Cole called the meeting to order. A motion was made and passed to approve the minutes of the May 13th meeting of the commission.

Ken Cole reviewed the current balances of the estimated 2020 3-mill revenue and the city funds. After accounting for expenditures approved at the May meeting, \$260,503.52 remains in estimated tax proceeds and \$245,000 in city funds.

Funding requests from Fairhope West Elementary and Fairhope East Elementary that had been tabled at the May meeting were revisited. After a review and discussion of these requests, each was approved, to be allocated from the city funds.

Fairhope West Elementary

• Instructional Supplies	25,000
• Library	10,000
• Physical Education	5,000
• Music/Art	<u>10,000</u>
Total	50,000

Fairhope East Elementary

• Counselors	5,000
• Library	5,000
• Physical Education	5,000
• Music	2,500
• Art	2,500
• Instructional Support	10,000
• 7 Habits/Leader in Me	<u>15,000</u>
Total	45,000

Additional funding requests were submitted from Fairhope West Elementary and Fairhope East Elementary. After a review and discussion of these requests, each was approved, to be allocated from the 3-mill revenue funds.

Fairhope **EAST** Elementary

- 3 Part-time Instructors @ 14,080 each – Total 42,240

Fairhope **WEST** Elementary

- 4 Part-time Instructors @ 15,000 each – Total 60,000

More requests are expected to come from J. Larry Newton, Fairhope Middle, and Fairhope High in the near future.

Discussion took place regarding the establishment of a reserve account, with several approaches suggested. A set percentage or set amount from either or both funding streams (3-mill tax revenue and city funding) will be considered. Because the commission has not defined the method for funding the reserve account at this time, members will consider putting in reserve any funds not allocated from both funding streams this year, and will decide on a method before the next funding cycle.

A brief discussion took place regarding the use of a standardized funding request template. It was noted that the format used in the Akribos study to show the 2015 allocations from the City of Fairhope to the area schools (pp. 31-32) might be a useful one for future requests. Principals in attendance were asked to work with the other principals to consider options and provide input.

The next meeting of the FPSC will be on July 1st at 4:30, location to be determined.

Respectfully submitted by Miranda Schrubbe