Fairhope Public Schools Commission September 1, 2021

Members present: Amy Foley, Hill Robinson, Carrie McLemore, Miranda Schrubbe,

Cornelius Woods

Members absent: Robert Brown, Robin Coleman, Paul Hannon, Danielle Mashburn-

Myrick

Principals present: Caroline Hollowell, FEW; Patrice Wolfe, JLN.

Meeting was called to order by Carrie McLemore and minutes from the August 4th meeting were approved.

Updates were shared by the principals in attendance. Ms. Wolfe reported that a social worker from AltaPointe has recently started at JLN and is already making a difference in support of students and families. Ms. Hollowell reported that FEW staff is busy doing assessments and getting interventions in place. A social-emotional support position has been added at FEW (not funded by 3-mil monies), which is expected to be a helpful addition there.

For the nominating committee, Amy Foley reviewed the terms of current commission members, and shared that all current members wish to continue serving in 2022, with the possible exception of Robert Brown. There was discussion of bringing on a city council member, either as a voting member of the commission or as a non-voting liaison to the city. This will be explored as the nominating work continues.

Carrie McLemore suggested that a dedicated FPSC email address, to be used by the chair and possibly the secretary, should be considered. This would be useful to leadership, particularly by giving access to past communications to new chairpersons taking office in a new term. The city clerk will be consulted regarding best practices for establishing an email account for the commission.

Reporting to the city council is to be scheduled soon.

The next scheduled meeting of the FPSC will be on October 6th at 4:30 and the Nix Center.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Miranda Schrubbe