



**Farragut/Knox County Schools Joint
Education Relations Committee Meeting**

March 6, 2012

4:00 PM

Town Hall Main Floor, Board Room

Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order (Chairman)
2. Approval of Minutes
 - a. February 7, 2012
3. Public Forum
4. Farragut Business Alliance Report- Mark Littleton
5. TDOT money for Farragut Primary- Julia Craze (if attending) Mark Littleton and/or Russell Barber
 - a. Status
6. Schools Needs List
 - a. Update
7. Schools Budget Discussion and Recommendation
 - a. Non-monetary recommendations
8. ERC report to BOMA
 - a. discussion
9. Any other business
10. Adjournment



Minutes

Joint Education Relations Committee Town of Farragut/Knox County Schools

February 7, 2012

4:00 PM

Town Hall Board Room

Committee Members Present

Mark Littleton, Russell Barber, Nancy Wentz, Gary Palmer, Michael Singletary

Other

Julia Craze, Kayla Singleton

Staff Present

Valerie Millsapps

Approval of the Minutes

Ms. Wentz moved to approve the January 3, 2012 minutes. Mr. Barber seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Strategic Plan Discussion

Mr. Littleton stated the state of TN sent a check to Knox County Clerk for the replacement of the school sign for the Farragut Primary School and after the Clerk he cannot trace the check. Mr. Barber recommended item 1 on FPS for the sidewalk be moved to the short term list.

Mr. Barber will resend the strategic plan document after the meeting. Ms. Wentz moved to adopt the strategic plan contingent on the email from Mr. Barber. Mr. Palmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Ms. Neal from the Shopper News stated the paper will advertise a school a week based on the needs list the committee provides. Ms. Craze stated the public can allocate to a certain item on the needs list or make a donation to a specific school. Mr. Littleton suggested the Shopper News put contact information for the schools administration staff.

Mr. Littleton suggested the committee reach out to the civic club contacts again. Mr. Singletary stated he would contact his civic club. Mr. Barber stated he will contact the lions club. Mr. Singletary moved to encourage businesses to adopt items on the needs list. Ms. Wentz seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Ms. Wentz stated she will contact Mr. Scott Bacon about the "Adopt a School" program.

Fundraising Projects

Mr. Singletary stated a Texas school does box top funding. Ms. Craze stated the school is already doing this. Mr. Singletary will forward a letter from the Texas school.

Ms. Wentz stated she will have schools create a list of labels they do collect.

Adjourned at 5:05 PM

Next meeting will be Tuesday, March 6, 2012 at 4:00 PM in the Town Hall Board Room.

Secretary, Schools Committee

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Farragut Schools Needs List

If you would like to fulfill a need to one of the schools below, contact that individual school. Spread the word to other citizens and/or local business that may want to help provide for our local schools.

<i>School</i>	<i>Short Term Needs</i>	<i>Long Term Needs</i>
Farragut High School 11237 Kingston Pike Farragut, TN 37934 Ph: (865) 966-9775 Principal: Mike Reynolds	• \$5,500 (per semester) to staff a two-day per week, after-school Math, Science and English Learning Center for all students. Target startup is January 2012. • \$10,000 for satellite wireless hubs integrated to the existing central server. This would complete the campus wireless system and eliminate current bottlenecks of faculty and administration accessing the current system.	• Lights along street by the ball fields from Kingston Pike to the FHS campus (safety concern.) • Paving repair throughout the campus.
Farragut Intermediate School 200 West End Avenue Farragut, TN 37934 Ph: (865) 966-6703 Principal: Kay Wellons	• \$10,000 Continued funding for the teaching assistant in the existing computer lab. • A second computer lab with a certified teacher-cost of \$33,770 to \$58,430 for teacher depending of experience and \$21,128 for 32 computers and a mobile cart. • A new sign at the bottom of the hill to replace the current sign. (This is a joint need with FMS, as agreed between the two principals.) • \$30,000 to pay for two additional days for	• Three (3) PC's or iPads per room in each of 48 rooms. The cost is \$579.99 per iPad x 144= \$ 83,500.

Curriculum Specialist
rather than the current
budget for three days.

Farragut Middle School

200 West End Avenue

Farragut, TN 37934

Ph: (865) 966-9756

[Principal: Heather Karnes](#)

- A new sign at the bottom of the hill to replace the current sign. (Joint need with FIS.)
- \$8,600 for seven new office staff PC's. ("Student-raised money/fees" cannot be allocated for office staff. Coupon Book profits have already updated computers and technology for a student computer lab.)
- \$9,600 for purchase and installation of (12) 47" TV's in classrooms (designated in initial 2007-08 technology plan.)
- \$34,812 to replace existing 36 computers in lab (Windows 2000, 2003 era) due to "terminally ill" conditions. (School has invested in memory updates, but the pc functions are still not robust.)
- \$1,500 for a projector in the gym.
- \$23,484 for Active Expression clickers for every pod, (1 set of 32 per pod for 11 Academic Pods plus an extra set to be shared by 15 Related Arts teachers.)
- New curtains for the stage.

Farragut Primary School

509 North Campbell Station Road

Farragut, TN 37934

Ph: (865) 966-671-7199

[Principal: Julia Craze](#)

- Add more computers.
- Increase the rubber mulch on the playground.
- Add wireless capabilities. (This might be long term, since cost is not clear.)
- Construct a school sign similar to the one that TDOT purchased and removed for a street project. It was a brick sign. TDOT provided compensation for the sign, landscaping and a light pole.
- Extend the sidewalk to join Town of Farragut sidewalk in front of FPS.
- Add more cameras to the outside for added security.
- Add lighting on the outside front of the building to improve security during dark months.

Hardin Valley Academy

11345 Hardin Valley Road

Knoxville, TN 37932

Ph: (865) 690-9690

[Principal: Sallee Reynolds](#)

- Landscaping: The front of HVHS is barren and when it rains, the students walk through huge water puddles and/or mud. Any support will help.
- PC related equipment is beginning to need replacement. Laptops have crashed and projectors have died. This is a huge expense and HVHS could use anywhere from \$1,000 - \$30,000

just to take care of
replacements.



Town of Farragut Education Relations Committee

Strategic Plan 2011-2012

Approved February 7, 2012

History

The Education Relations Committee (ERC) was chartered by the Town of Farragut in September 2009 and had various activities through early 2011. ERC members appointed for the 2011-2012 term nevertheless found a committee without clear direction and goals. There were many ideas for actions to support and improve schools in Farragut, but a cohesive framework to organize and set priorities was missing.

The 2011-2012 ERC agreed to model other Town committees through the generation of a Strategic Plan. The plan will offer a cohesive direction such that the 2011-2012 and future ERC's will not struggle to identify their Mission, Values, Principles, Issues, Goals, and Objectives.

Mission

To create and maintain a forum for dialogue with Farragut schools, build a consensus on the needs of the schools and convey that information to Farragut Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA), citizens and businesses in ways that will foster community support for our schools.

Values/Principles

Excellence

Great schools are a foundation to great communities.

Innovation

Help Farragut schools identify innovative measures to obtain to achieve their needs.

Communication

Provide feedback to the schools, the Town of Farragut and the community concerning opportunities for improving the quality of education being provided.

Teamwork

Work together with Farragut schools in a collaborative manner with a common vision and purpose.

Problem Solving

Strive to find practical and effective solutions to achieve the desired high quality education in Farragut schools.

Strategic Issues 2011-2012

Funding

1. There is a false perception that the Farragut schools have all the resources they need.
2. No Title 1 funds follow NCLB students who transfer into the Farragut schools.
3. There is a significant need for more computers and computer labs at the schools.
4. There are inadequate funds to provide for professional development of faculty.
5. Physical facilities are aging and need upgrading.

School Districting / Assignments

1. District allocation for students.

Security / Safety

1. Lighting at Farragut High, Farragut Intermediate and Farragut Primary schools is inadequate.
2. Sidewalk access to Farragut Primary from Campbell Station is non-existent and unsafe.

Strategic Goals and Objectives

1. Goal: Establish dialogue with school administration and community.
 - a. Objective: Improve communication with the schools by having monthly contact with principals of each school by a member of the ERC.
 - b. Objective: Sponsor and/or attend public forums to educate community members of school needs.
2. Goal: Increase funding and support for schools.
 - a. Objective: Collaborate with the Economic Development Committee and meet with the Farragut Business Alliance on ways Farragut businesses can provide financial assistance and donated service to the schools and provide internships for students.
 - b. Objective: Meet with service organizations and request assistance to meet school needs.
 - c. Objective: Work with local newspapers to communicate with the community concerning needs of the schools and the importance of maintaining excellent schools in our community.
 - d. Objective: Utilize the town website and encourage Farragut schools to use their websites to identify specific school needs.
 - e. Objective: Communicate with the Town of Farragut Board of Aldermen concerning school needs and request an increase the amount of financial support provided to the schools.

Performance Measures & Desired Outcome

Performance measures used to evaluate the achievement of Goals and Objectives are:

1. Maintain a record of contacts by committee members with school principals.
2. Report on contacts made with businesses and service organizations requesting support.
3. Report on feedback and support obtained from businesses and service organizations.
4. Document newspaper stories and other communications with the community concerning school needs.
5. Obtain agreement from the Town of Farragut to significantly increase the town's financial support to the schools.
6. Obtain feedback via a Citizens Survey concerning the role of the Town of Farragut relating to Farragut schools.