

July 10, 2014
6:00 p.m.

The Fannin County Board of Education met in regular session with the following members present: Steve Stanley, Chair; Sandra Mercier, Vice-Chair; Bobby Bearden; Terry Bramlett; and Lewis DeWeese. All members present.

The meeting was called to order by Steve Stanley, Chair.

By motion from Terry Bramlett, seconded by Bobby Bearden, to approve the following items on the consent agenda. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Approve the meeting minutes from June 12, 2014, at 3:00 p.m., June 12, 2014, at 6:00 p.m., and July 8, 2014, at 8:00 a.m.

Approve the following fundraiser requests:

West Fannin Elementary School – Sale of school yearbooks – December 1, 2014 – May 22, 2015;

West Fannin Elementary School – Sale of Great American Candy – January 23, 2015 – February 6, 2015;

West Fannin Elementary School – Sale of Lifetouch Spring Portraits – February 6, 2015;

Fannin County High School FCCLA – Sale of Domino’s Pizza Cards – August 4 – 18, 2014;

Fannin County High School FCCLA – Sale of t-shirt sponsorships – August 4 – 29, 2014;

Fannin County High School FCCLA – Sale of candy – August 4 – 29, 2014;

Fannin County High School FCCLA – Sale of door wreaths – August 11 – 29, 2014;

Fannin County High School FCCLA – Sponsorship and donations – August 11, 2014 – May 22, 2015; and

Fannin County High School FFA – Sale of meat sticks and jerky – August 12 – September 20, 2014.

Public Comment:

None.

After public comment, Mark Willis, Assistant Executive Director of Georgia School Board Association (GSBA), presented the Board with two awards. Fannin was presented the 2014 eBoard Award of Excellence winner for “Best Overall Use of eBoard” along with a check

for \$1,000.00. The second award was for Second Place for the “Best Use of Evaluation Module” along with a check for \$750.00.

Motion by Lewis DeWeese, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve the financial report for the month ending May 31, 2014. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Mr. Henson stated the SPLOST check received in June for the month of April was \$344,039.64.

Susan Holloway, Finance Director, shared the revised 2014 Tentative Digest schedule/timeline for the millage received from the Fannin County Board of Assessors. Mrs. Holloway stated that she and Mr. Henson had attended the Fannin County Board of Assessors meeting on July 9, 2014, and during that meeting a revised 2014 Tentative Digest schedule/timeline was shared. Mrs. Holloway stated if the revised timeline is followed, the final consolidation sheets should be turned over to the Board of Education by September 2, 2014, which will allow the school system to set their millage rate by the end of September.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Bobby Bearden, to approve a Spending Resolution for August 2014 (see attached). All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Bobby Bearden, seconded by Sandra Mercier, to approve FY14 budget amendments (see attached). All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Terry Bramlett, seconded by Sandra Mercier, to declare the Fannin County High School Family and Consumer Science Department’s surplus appliances presented to the Board in June as salvage since no bids were received on the items. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve the Five-Year Perkins IV Local Plan and One-Year Funding for FY15. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Bobby Bearden, to approve Policy IHF (6) – Graduation Requirements – Entering Fall 2008 – 09 and thereafter. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Lewis DeWeese, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to table Policy JCDAE – Weapons until the next regular scheduled meeting. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Lewis DeWeese, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to terminate Don Thomas. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Bobby Bearden, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve Nicole Schuknecht, James Minear, and Angela Patterson as teachers for the 2014 – 2015 school year. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Bobby Bearden, seconded by Sandra Mercier, to approve Jillian M. Breeden and LaShovia Daniel as paraprofessionals. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Lewis DeWeese, seconded by Sandra Mercier, to approve Kathryn Harris as the WIA Grant Coordinator for the 2014 – 2015 school year pending her resignation from her current position with the Fannin County School System. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Bobby Bearden, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve the following substitute teachers pending completion of fingerprinting and criminal background checks:

John Baird
Monique Barton
John A. DePino
Keeli Goins
Anna M. Hoepfner
Gregory Hood
Ralph Kryder
Kimberly Layne Lopez
Phillip Marshall

Misty Mason
Barbara H. McDowell
William Pruitt
Misty Ross
Jane Sherlock
Matthew Smidl
Beth Abbott Tass
Lauren M. Thomas
Mary Walker

All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Bobby Bearden, to approve the following substitute custodians:

Sadie Alsobrook
Chad Anderson
Daphney Cash

Brandon H. Dyer
Timothy "T.J." Jessen
Fairie Murphy

All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Bobby Bearden, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve Hoyt Millholland as a substitute bus driver. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Superintendent's Comments:

Mr. Henson commended all school system employees for their hard work throughout the summer. Mr. Henson stated even though it has been summer time, he has seen lots of school system employees working to make sure the start of the school year is successful. Mr. Henson stated these employees are to be commended for their dedication.

Mr. Henson stated he is proud of how the Fannin County Board of Education operates. Mr. Henson also stated Fannin County has a great group of community stakeholders which are always willing to support the needs of the school system. Mr. Henson stated he is glad to be here at the Fannin County School System and in Fannin County.

Mr. Henson stated the cannery opened this past Thursday and Feed Fannin is coming in for a teaching session on how to can. Mr. Henson commended the Board for updating the cannery.

Board Members' Comments:

Bobby Bearden stated he was excited to be a part of the Fannin County School System. Mr. Bearden stated there are lots of positive things going on in the schools. Mr. Bearden stated he is pleased with the progression of the construction projects and the security camera installation.

Terry Bramlett stated it was an honor to be a part of the Fannin County School System. Mr. Bramlett stated the administration and support staff are truly dedicated. Mr. Bramlett

commended Mark Willis with GSBA for his development and promotion of the eBoard software. Mr. Bramlett stated this software allows him access to board meeting information from anywhere he can access the internet. Mr. Bramlett stated he is very proud of the cannery and how it teaches students to preserve food and serves the community. Mr. Bramlett stated in college he took a cannery meat science class and it is one of the classes he has most used the skill set he learned.

Lewis DeWeese stated he endorsed all previous comments. Mr. DeWeese welcomed everyone who attended the meeting.

Sandra Mercier stated the GSBA award was very meaningful. Mrs. Mercier knew Fannin County Board of Education had worked hard for both of these awards. Mrs. Mercier gave kudos and accolades for all of the school system improvements made over the summer. Mrs. Mercier stated it was an honor to be a part of the Board.

Steve Stanley stated he would like for everyone to remember Dusty Jordan who used to be over the 4-H program. Mr. Stanley stated Mr. Jordan had passed away and he was a good friend and a big asset to the Fannin County School System.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, a motion was made by Bobby Bearden, seconded by Sandra Mercier, to adjourn subject to being called into special session by the Chair when deemed necessary. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Steve Stanley, Chairperson

Mark Henson, Superintendent

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