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.

Steve Stanley, Chair, relinquished the Chair to Mark Henson, Superintendent, for reorganization of the Board.

Mark Henson, Superintendent, called for nominations for Chair for the 2016 calendar year.

Motion by Steve Stanley, seconded by Lewis DeWeese, to nominate Bobby Bearden as Chair for the 2016 calendar year. All members voted yes; Motion carried.

Mark Henson, Superintendant, turned the meeting over to the newly elected 2016 Chair, Bobby Bearden.

Bobby Bearden, Chair, called for nominations for Vice-Chair for the 2016 calendar year.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Lewis DeWeese, to nominate Terry Bramlett as Vice-Chair for the 2016 calendar year. All members voted yes; Motion carried.

Upon the recommendation of Mark Henson, Superintendent, a motion was made by Terry Bramlett, seconded by Bobby Bearden, to set the regular monthly Board of Education meetings for the 2016 calendar year on the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m., and the Board's work sessions to be held at 8:00 a.m. on the Tuesday preceding the regular monthly meeting. All meetings are to be held at the Board of Education office. All members voted yes. Motion carried.

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

Motion from Steve Stanley, seconded by Sandra Mercier, to approve the following items on the consent agenda. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Approve the consent agenda.

Approve the meeting minutes from December 11, 2014, 3:00 p.m., November 12, 2015, 6:00 p.m., November 30, 2015, 4:00 p.m., and January 12, 2016, 8:00 a.m.

Discuss School Nutrition Program fund raisers.

**Public Comment:** 

None.

Motion by Terry Bramlett, seconded by Sandra Mercier, to approve the financial report for the month ending October 31, 2015, and November 30, 2015. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Mr. Henson stated the SPLOST check received in November for the month of October was \$447,138.26, and the SPLOST check received in December for November was \$404,125.06.

Motion by Lewis DeWeese, seconded by Sandra Mercier, to approve the schedule of approved local option sales tax projects (year ended June 30, 2015). All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Steve Stanley, seconded by Lewis DeWeese, to approve the purchase of 100 iPads and necessary support from Apple, Inc. for 60,795.00 to be paid out of SPLOST for Blue Ridge Elementary School. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve the purchase of 27 laptops and the necessary support for Blue Ridge Elementary School computer equipment purchased from GovConnection in the amount of \$24,462.00 to be paid out of SPLOST. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Lewis DeWeese, to approve the purchase of 93 desktop computers and monitors from Arey Jones Educational Solutions in the amount of \$63,657.57 to be paid out of SPLOST for computer labs at Blue Ridge Elementary School. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Steve Stanley, seconded by Lewis DeWeese, to approve the purchase of 90 iPads with 16GB of Wi-Fi and a 3-year AppleCare plan from Apple, Inc. to be paid for with Title I funds for \$42,570.00 for Fannin County Middle School. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Lewis DeWeese, seconded by Bobby Bearden, to approve the purchase of five zSpace unit kits from VIZITECH USA for \$33,328.50 to be paid with SPLOST funds for Fannin County Middle School. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Terry Bramlett, second by Sandra Mercier, to approve the purchase of 32 desktop computers and monitors from Arey Jones Educational Solutions for \$32,724.48 to be paid with SPLOST funds at the CTAE building at Fannin County High School. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Mark Henson, Superintendent, announced no bids were received for the Fannin County School Nutrition Surplus Equipment. No action was taken. (see items on following sheet).

Date	ID#	Sch	Item Description	Make	Model	Serial #
04/03/08	0400231	BRE	IceBin w/ Bin top water filter	Scotsman	Ice Maker: CME456A5-32H208V-1PH Ice Bin: HTB55	Ice Maker: 0711320017080 Ice Bin: 07101320015936
08/31/92	0000425	FCMS	Steam Table	Colorpoint	5E4-CPA-MOD	L91B0108
		FCMS	Cold Serving Line from GWINNETTE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS (078400)			

Motion by Lewis DeWeese, seconded by Steve Stanley, to approve the new gym lighting project at Fannin County High School. The lights to be supplied by Wholesale Supply Group, Inc. in the amount of \$24,344.37 to be paid with SPLOST. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Lewis DeWeese, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve the Labor for the Gymnasium Light Project at Fannin County High School be provided by Code Plus Electrical Services LLC in the amount of \$9,240.00 to be paid with SPLOST funds. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Bobby Bearden, seconded by Sandra Mercier, to declare school nutrition program salvage property. All members voted yes

Date	ID#	Sch	Item Description	Make	Model		Serial #	
							Ice	Maker:
04/03/08	0400231	BRE	IceBin w/ Bin top	Scotsman	Ice	Maker:	0711320	017080
			water filter		CME456A5-32H208	3V-1PH	Ice	Bin:
					Ice Bin: HTB55		0710132	0015936
08/31/92	0000425	FCMS	Steam Table	Colorpoint	5E4-CPA-MOD		L91B010	8
		FCMS	Cold Serving Line					
			from GWINNETTE					
			COUNTY PUBLIC					

		SCHOOLS(078400)		
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Motion by Bobby Bearden, seconded by Lewis DeWeese, to declare West Fannin Elementary School salvage property. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Two cafeteria tables: Not operational

Sharp Copier: Model SF2530J: See attached letter from Benny Weaver

Brother Fax Machine Model 2920:

Sanyo: Model DS3 I 520 TV

Magnavox TV: Model RP2591 C602

Sanyo TV: Model DS20424

Goldstar VCR: Model VCP-4205M

Speaker: UBL JRX-100

GE VCR: Model VG2040

Emerson VCR: Model VR4450

Two 3M Overhead Projectors: Model 9100

3M Overhead Projector: Model 9060

Motion by Terry Bramlett, seconded by Sandra Mercier, to lay Board Policy DJEAC – Purchasing or Credit Card Use on the table for public view until the next regularly scheduled board meeting pending approval. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Terry Bramlett, seconded by Lewis DeWeese, to lay Board Policy JB – Student Attendance on the table for public view until next regularly scheduled Board meeting pending approval. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Steve Stanley, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to amend FY 2015 Capital Outlay Program (see attachment). All members voted yes; motion carried.

Karen Walton, Director of School Improvement and Instructional Services, reviewed Local Board Training Selections. The Board selected "Planning for Boards of Education" to be held on March 10, 2016, at 2:30 p.m.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Bobby Bearden, to appoint Lynn Doss as School Board Attorney. Bobby Bearden, Terry Bramlett, Sandra Mercier, and Steve Stanley voted yes; Lewis DeWeese opposed; motion carried.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Lewis DeWeese, to go in to executive session to discuss or deliberate upon the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee or to

interview applicants for the position of superintendent; (O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(b)(2)). All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to resume the regular meeting. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Bobby Bearden, Chair, announced no action was taken during executive session.

Bobby Bearden, Chair, announced while in executive session the Board completed the Superintendent's evaluation. Mr. Bearden stated that Mr. Henson received the highest possible marks in all of the performance standard categories and exceeded expectations on all standards.

Motion by Lewis DeWeese, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve the executive session minutes for November 30, 2015. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Terry Bramlett, seconded by Steve Stanley, to accept the resignation of Tamara Martin effective December 31, 2015. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Terry Bramlett, seconded by Steve Stanley, to accept the resignation of Lindsey Allison Waldroup effective when appropriate replacement is found. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Lewis DeWeese, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve Annette Clement as Media Specialist. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Lewis DeWeese, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve Greg Hood as a teacher. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Lewis DeWeese, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve Molly Davenport Conklin as a paraprofessional. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Terry Bramlett, seconded by Steve Stanley, to approve Patsi C. Brantley, Karen Collis, Kathryn H. Durham, Carrie Graham, Wendy Hood, Michael Merold, Robin Patterson, and Stiles Tate as substitute teachers. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Cynthia Panter, Executive Director, gave an update on school governance teams' meetings for information only (see attached).

## Superintendent's Comments:

Mark Henson, Superintendant, stated 49 students/adults have now received their high school diploma that had to pass the high school graduation test and are now able to go out and apply to technical colleges thanks to the House Bill 91. Mr. Henson stated the Board didn't meet last month due to several illnesses and illnesses with family. He wanted everyone to know how dedicated the Board members are, and they take their jobs seriously. Mr. Henson was appreciative of his evaluation being all fives and stated the reason he received that was because of great folks that work with him. Mr. Henson said he enjoys coming to work, and it's a huge honor to work with the Board.

## Board Members' Comments:

Steve Stanley stated it was good to see the principals attending the meeting and commended them for doing a great job. Mr. Stanley told Mr. Henson it is a pleasure working with him. Mr. Stanley said it was an honor being the chairman of the Board for two years, and he appreciates the entire school system.

Sandra Mercier commended the transportation department employees Denver Foster for placing 3<sup>rd</sup> in the National School Bus Technician Competition, and Tom Cook for completing his ASE Master School Bus Technician Certification. Mrs. Mercier stated she appreciated Mr. Henson and his staff and welcomed Dr. Michael Gwatney, Technology Director, back to the meeting.

Lewis DeWeese stated he often meditates on the teachers that had an impact and changed his life. Had he not had the help and inspiration in school, he wonders where he might be today. Mr. DeWeese said he was a happy mechanic, and he uses what he had been taught, and it helps with his daily life. Mr. DeWeese said there was no way to measure what teachers do for their students. He thanked everyone for the job they do.

Terry Bramlett Stated it is a terrific system and a terrific staff that are always looking for ways to improve their work and be the best they can be. He said it was truly an honor to work with such dedicated staff that has great love for the system. Mr. Bramlett thanked the superintendant for setting the tone and running the office well.

Bobby Bearden "dittoed" what the other Board members had said. He stated he had been on the Board for 13 years, and everyone always seems to get along, and they have always put the students first. Mr. Bearden thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

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

Bobby Bearden, Chairperson
Mark Henson, Superintendent