



MEETING MINUTES

FANNIN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Superintendent

Shannon M. Dillard

Board Members

Mike Cole, Chair

Bobby Bearden, Vice Chair

Adam Born

Robert Patterson

Ashley H. Weeks

Attendance

Voting Members

Mike Cole, Chair

Bobby Bearden, Vice Chair

Adam Born, Board Member

Robert Patterson, Board Member

Ashley H. Weeks, Board Member

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mike Cole, Chair

2. Approve Agenda

Motion made by: Adam Born

Motion seconded by: Bobby Bearden

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

3. Superintendent's Report

A. Update: School Governance Team

Superintendent Shannon M. Dillard shared an update regarding the recent activities of each School Governance Team (SGT).

B. Cognia Accreditation Engagement Review (AER) October 2025-December 2025

Superintendent Shannon M. Dillard announced that the Fannin County School System will undergo a Cognia Accreditation Engagement Review (AER) in the first semester of next year. A

specific date has not been set, but the window is between October 2025 and December 2025.

C. Policies Review Sections: A-D

The Fannin County School System is undergoing a routine policy review process at this time. The Georgia School Board Association (GSBA) along with the Pereira, Kirby, Kinsinger & Nguyen LLP law firm are conducting the review.

Policies - Require No Changes:

AFC: Emergency Closings; BBA: Board Officers; BCBD: Board Meeting Agendas; BCBF: Rules of Order; BD: Policy Development; BH: Board Code of Ethics; BHA: Board Member Conflict of Interest; BHB: Nepotism; DCK: Level of Budgetary Control; DCL: Fund Balance; DFC: Federal Funds; DIB: Financial Reports; DJCB: Salary Deductions; DJEAC: Purchasing or Credit Card Use

Policies - Require Revision:

BCAC: Special Board Meetings; BCBI: Public Participation in Board Meetings; DFK: Gifts and Bequests; DG: Depository of Funds; DIE: Fraud Prevention; DJED: Bids and Quotations; DK: Student Activities Funds Management

Policies - New/Proposed:

CN: Administrative Records; DI: Accounting and Reporting; DO: School Properties Disposal Procedures

Polices - to Rescind:

None

Policies that require revision and/or are proposed new policies will be tabled and made available for public review and comment until the next Regular Board Meeting on May 8, 2025. Comments should be directed to Dr. Lucas Roof. Policies that were reviewed and require no revisions will not be available for public review and comment as there are no changes from current policy.

Motion made by: Ashley H. Weeks

Motion seconded by: Adam Born

Voting:

Unanimously Approved



2025-04-10 Review of Board Policies Sections A-D



2025-04-10 Fannin County Draft Policy Revision Manual - Sections A-D (Updated 04-07-25).

4. Discussion: New CTAE Building Placement

Superintendent Shannon M. Dillard discussed the scope and sequence of the new CTAE building with the board, focusing on the long-term vision for enhancing the future use of the surrounding property

and facilities. The goal is to compile the information collected along with focusing on the timeframe of the work to obtain a guaranteed maximum price (GMP) for the project and utilize the approved Construction Manager (CM) at Risk for the CTAE building.

5. Discussion: Current CTAE Demolition

After discussing the vision for the new CTAE building and its location, the next step is to determine what will happen to the existing CTAE building with a proposed plan of demolition. Superintendent Shannon M. Dillard discussed the process required to phase out an existing building with the Board. The Capital Outlay Programs (COPS) have a specific order and process for schools to utilize when building and closing facilities. Because our system utilizes COPS funding, we will adhere to their guidance and timelines.

6. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the meeting, a motion and a second were made to adjourn subject to being called into special session by the Chair when deemed necessary.

Adjourned at 5:01 PM

Motion made by: Bobby Bearden

Motion seconded by: Adam Born

Voting:

Unanimously Approved



Called Meeting/Work Session

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Shannon M. Dillard

Shannon M. Dillard, Superintendent/Date

Mike Cole

Mike Cole, Chair/Date

Stephanie M Newman 5/8/25

Stephanie M. Newman/ Date