

October 8, 2015
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.

Motion from Lewis DeWeese, seconded by Bobby Bearden, to approve the following items on the consent agenda. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Approve the agenda.

Approve the meeting minutes from September 10, 2015, 6:00 p.m. and October 8, 2015, 8:00 a.m.

Public Comment:

Lynn Doss spoke about the upcoming band festival being held on October 10, 2015 and commended the board on their wise decisions to install artificial turf.

After public comment, motion by Terry Bramlett, seconded by Sandra Mercier, to approve the financial report for the month ending August 31, 2015. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Mr. Henson stated the SPLOST check received in September for the month of August was \$397,871.07.

Susan Holloway, Finance Director, shared the Student Success in the Balance Policy report for information only. See attachment on eBoard.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Bobby Bearden, to approve the resolution to request a revision of an application for capital outlay funding. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Lewis DeWeese, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve the certification of the project completion at Blue Ridge Elementary School (restroom renovation project and re-roof building 53 project.) All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Bobby Bearden, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve the certification of the project completion of East Fannin Elementary School (re-roof project.) All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve the replacement of Fannin County High School fiberglass reinforced plastic door hardware to be completed by Arch-I-Tech Doors, Inc in the amount of \$25,652.60 to be paid out of SPLOST funds. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Terry Bramlett, seconded by Lewis DeWeese, to approve board policy DJED-Bids and Quotations. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve Feed Fannin High Tunnel Greenhouse Project. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Mark Henson, Superintendent, announced no bids were received for the Fannin County Middle School Surplus Property. No action was taken.

Lot 1- 22 Overhead Projects
4 Overhead Screens

Lot 2- Basketball Goals and Glass Backboards

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve Fannin County Middle School Salvage Property. All members voted yes; motion carried.

22 Overhead Projectors
4 Overhead Screens
2 Basketball Goals with Glass Backboards

Mark Henson, superintendent, presented the Annual School Council Reports to the Board for their review.

Karen Walton, Director of School Improvement and Instructional Services, discussed Local Board Training Selections with Board. The next training session will be held on November 10, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. following the work session.

Motion by Bobby Bearden, seconded by Sandra Mercier, to accept the resignation of William (Tripp) Ritchie effective September 4, 2015. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve Kimberly Layne Lopez as a paraprofessional. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Bobby Bearden, seconded by Lewis DeWeese, to approve Edward Brantley, Angel Chancey, John Griggs, Noah May, Claudia Moose, Emily Henry Newman, Jackie Heather Shoemake, Dawn-Marie Strossner, Margie Wilkinson, and Jonnie Young as substitute teachers. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve Cayci Carpenter, Margery Turbiner-Dallas, Cynthia Ware, and Margie Wilkinson as nutrition substitutes. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Bobby Bearden, seconded by Sandra Mercier to approve Carolyn Thomas as a substitute bus driver. 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, Superintendent, stated the REACH program at the Middle School was extraordinary. He thanked Karen Walton and Denise Messer for their work and support. He stated the program will give five children an opportunity to attend college that otherwise might not have had the chance. The students will be provided mentors for the rest of their school career. The program is an opportunity to change lives. Mr. Henson announced the music being played in down town Blue Ridge is the Rebel radio station and was chosen by the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Henson shared information on the Fannin School System being awarded the bronze level at the Golden Radish award ceremony for its efforts in the Farm-to-School program in the nutrition department.

Board Members' Comments:

Steve Stanley thanked Karen Walton for her work on the REACH program. He also thanked the principals for attending the meeting.

Sandra Mercier stated she was humbled and honored to be a part of the system.

Lewis DeWeese stated it was a pleasure to watch the Central Office staff and directors function and work together, and they should be proud of the work that is accomplished.

Terry Bramlett thanked everyone for being at the meeting and congratulated Candice Sisson for the Bronze Golden Radish award and the continuous stream of 100 scores on the annual inspections. Mr. Bramlett stated it was an honor to serve on the Board. He thanked Officer Couch for the security that he and his officers provide to the schools.

Bobby Bearden stated that while he was driving to Cartersville he was listening to the Rebel radio station and was impressed with the excellent delivery of the message that was being presented. Mr. Bearden appreciated the principals for attending the meeting. Mr. Bearden was pleased with the great meeting he attended with Pioneer RESA earlier in the afternoon.

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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