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

The meeting was called to order by Bobby Bearden, Chair.

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

Approve the meeting minutes from November 8, 2016, 8:00 a.m.; and October 13, 2016, 6:00 p.m.

Approve the following Board Policies to be revised:

Revise Board Policy GAMA-Drug-Free Workplace

Revise Board Policy GARH-Leaves and Absences

Revise Board Policy JR-Student Records

Approve the following Board Policies to be rescinded:

Rescind Board Policy IED-Scheduling for Instruction

Rescind Board Policy IEDA-Unstructured Break Time

Rescind Board Policy GBA-Professional Personnel Compensation Guides

and Contracts

Rescind Board Policy GBKA-Professional Lay-Off

Approve the following Board Policies:

Adopt Board Policy JRA- Student Data Privacy Complaints

Adopt Board Policy JKA-Solicitation of Students

## Public Comment:

Sam Walker gave his opinion about the Agricultural and Environmental Science Facility.

After public comment, motion by Steve Stanley, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve the financial report for the month of September 30, 2016.

Mr. Henson stated the SPLOST check received in October for the month of September was \$411,833.96.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve the Federal Grant Budget Amendments for FY 2017 (see attached). All members voted yes; motion carried.

Benny Long, Director of Transportation and Safety, shared the results of the surplus property with the Board (see attached).

Motion by Terry Bramlett, seconded by Steve Stanley, to acknowledge no bids were received for the Blue Ridge Elementary School Media Center Surplus Property:

Lot 1: 7 Overhead projectors with no bulbs

Lot 2: 2 Record players

All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Steve Stanley, seconded by Bobby Bearden, to acknowledge no bids were received for the Fannin County Middle School Surplus property. All members voted yes; motion carried.

6 CD players 14 screens

7 DVD players 4 cassette players 5 filmstrip projectors 11 televisions

2 listening stations 5 VCRs

1 karaoke player 1 DVD combo system

1 overhead projector

All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to acknowledge no bids were received for the Fannin County High School Surplus property:

<u>Item</u>	Serial #	Model #	FCBOE#	<u>Date</u> Manufactured	Other Info
Panasonic VCR	B4SA23673	PV-2401	1720	1994	
Quasar VCR	53420304	VHQ540	1989	1995	
Sharp TV	666423	27K-S180	980286	1998	
Panasonic VCR	B9SC25507	PV-9451	980257	1999	
JVC VCR/DVD	169A2745	HR-XVC27U	300056	2004	
Sanyo DVD	N48F6237	DWM-400	1100144	2004	
Sony DVD	7372065	DVP-NS55P	No#	No Date	
Pioneer Laser Disc Player	0E3906936P	CLD-E2000	No#	1994	
Panasonic Radio	CW2HA88571	No#	3001802	No Date	FCBOE # marked out
Panasonic TV/VCR Combo	1AA49071	PVQ-2511	800036	2001	
Panasonic TV	MC40620129	CT-25R10R	1659	1994	
PIX Mobile TV Cart	No#	No#	980255	No Date	
Sharp TV	101818836	27N-S50	9000288	2001	
Panasonic VCR	No#	No#	980256	No Date	
Panasonic VCR	C91C90368	DV-9400	# Unknown	1999	FCBOE # marked out

Dukane SunSplash Overhead Projector	2066128	SP2123	100394	2002
Highland 1610 Overhead	1007293	HL1600AJA	200200	
Projector	1007293	ILIOUAJA	200200	

All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Terry Bramlett, seconded by Steve Stanley, to approve Blue Ridge Elementary School media Center Salvage property:

Lot 1: 7 Overhead projectors with no bulbs

Lot 2: 2 Record players

All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Bobby Bearden, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve the Fannin County Middle School salvage property:

6 CD players	14 screens
7 DVD players	4 cassette players
5 filmstrip projectors	11 televisions
2 listening stations	5 VCRs
1 karaoke player	1 DVD combo system

1 overhead projector

All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Steve Stanley, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve the Fannin County High School salvage property:

<u>Item</u>	Serial #	Model #	FCBOE#	<u>Date</u> Manufactured	Other Info
Panasonic VCR	B4SA23673	PV-2401	1720	1994	
Quasar VCR	53420304	VHQ540	1989	1995	
Sharp TV	666423	27K-S180	980286	1998	
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All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve the following Technology hardware as salvage:

Technology Center salvage property: 64 laptop computers, 2 printers, and 1 desktop computer

Fannin County Middle School salvage property:

1 computer cart	1 paper shredder
28 nethooks	3 lantone

28 netbooks 3 laptops 5 projectors 7 printers

3 LCD monitors 4 interactive tablets

East Fannin Elementary School salvage property:

1 projector7 network switches8 smart slates1 speaker amplifier1 SMART tablet2 battery back ups

1 monitor

All members voted yes; motion carried

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve the purchase of 66 desktop computers and monitors from Arey Jones Educational Solutions in the amount of \$44,203.50 to be paid out of SPLOST funds for Fannin County Middle School. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Terry Bramlett, seconded by Steve Stanley, to approve the purchase 110 "Chromebook" computers and 3 charging carts from CDW Government in the in the amount of \$32,006.90 to be paid out of SPLOST funds for Fannin County High School. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Terry Bramlett, seconded by Sandra Mercier, to approve the Salto Locks installation from Howard Technology Solutions in the amount of \$43,388.00 to be paid out of capital outlay funds for Fannin County High School. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Motion by Sandra Mercier, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve the field turf replacement project to be completed by FieldTurf in the amount of \$183,255.20 to be paid out of capital outlay funds for the Fannin County High School. All members voted yes; motion carried.

Karen Walton, Assistant Superintendent & School Improvement and Curriculum stated the Board has selected Local Board Training topics for the year. Trainings will begin after the first of the year. Each member is encouraged to check his calendar for possible training dates.

## Superintendent's Comments:

Mark Henson, Superintendent, asked Heather Finley, Director of Special Programs & Teacher Quality, to share the graduation rate for SY 2015-2016. Mrs. Finley stated the Georgia Department of Education has released graduation rates for the 2015-2016 school year. The Fannin County School System had a 91.2% graduation rate. Compared to the state average of 79.2%, we are far beyond other systems in Georgia. The state also looks at certain subgroups of students and compares their graduation rates to ALL students in the system and the state. Fannin County is proud to share that for the students with disabilities population, the graduation rate was 94.4%, compared to the state average of 56.3%. Not only is this the highest rate in our region, it is third highest in the state. She said these numbers prove that we are a community that believes ALL students can learn!

Mr. Henson thanked the principals for all of the hard work they put into the Veterans' Day programs. They are always excellent, and everyone does a great job. He was impressed with the high school students and the respect they have for the veterans. The PAC was full of students, and you could have heard a pin drop.

Mr. Henson is very pleased the outcome of the recent election. Mr. Terry Bramlett and Mr. Lewis DeWeese will be returning, and Mr. Chad Galloway will start his term in January 2017. He stated we have a good Board and hates to see Sandra Mercier leave, but he understands. Mr. Henson feels very comfortable with the future of the Board. Everyone has a great attitude, and they all have the children's interest at heart. With that being said, Mr. Henson announced he would be retiring on June 30, 2017.

## Board Members' Comments:

Steve Stanley stated he appreciated Mr. Henson as a superintendent, and it is very personal to see him go. Mr. Stanley said Mark has run a great ship; his staff has done a great job, and he has placed great people around him. He said it has been an honor and a pleasure to work with Mr. Henson.

Terry Bramlett echoed Mr. Stanley's accolades about Mr. Henson. He said he has done an excellent job for the school system with his model of integrity and efficiency. The success in the system begins with the captain of the ship, and he has done a remarkable job. Mr. Bramlett told Mr. Henson he has led the Board very well and so efficiently, and he is very pleased about

that. Mr. Bramlett congratulated Ms. Betsy Hyde and Ms. Heather Finley for their incredible accomplishment and said he was sharing their pride. Mr. Bramlett congratulated Mr. Chad Galloway, Board member-elect, and stated how impressed with his dedication to the Board of Education, he hasn't missed a meeting since he declared his intention to run for School Board. He is obviously going to be an excellent Board member. Mr. Bramlett said it was an honor to be a part of the school system.

Sandra Mercier echoed her fellow Board members, and she commended the students with disabilities and the hard work Heather Finely, Betsy Hyde, and the teachers have done to help them succeed. Mrs. Mercier was very impressed with ESOL presentation that was presented at the work session. She said it was one of the most informative sessions that we have had. Mrs. Mercier said she and Mr. Henson go way back. He was one of her students, and she will be saving the accolades for later.

Bobby Bearden stated he had lost some tears over Mr. Henson's retiring. He stated nobody could be as good as he has been. He agreed with everything his fellow Board had said regarding Mr. Henson. Mr. Bearden said our main purpose is the kids. He appreciated everybody being at the meeting and commended Chad Galloway, Board member elect, for attending all the meetings and stated he is going to make a fine Board member. Mr. Bearden congratulated Terry Bramlett, Lewis DeWeese, and Chad Galloway for being elected as Board members for the next four years.

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

Bobby Bearden, Chairpers
 Mark Henson, Superintende

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