

The Fannin County Board of Education met in regular session with the following members present: Bobby Bearden, Chairperson; Garnett Webb, Vice-Chairperson; Junior Farmer; Terry Bramlett; and Emily Dunn. All members present.

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve the agenda.

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve the minutes from all previous meetings.

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve the financial report for the month ending January 2007.

Special recognition was given to the following:

Academic Team – 2nd in Region and 3rd in State.

Mock Trial Team – Region Champions and going to State.

FBLA Region Competition – 2 Region Champions, one 2nd place, one 3rd place, one 4th place, and one 5th place winners.

Science Competition – Nolan King, Region Champion – going to State.

National Merit Scholarship Semi-Finalist – Leigh Bramlett.

National Merit Scholarship Finalist – David Walton.

Football Team – Sub-Region Champions – 2nd in Region – tied for 2nd - best record in history of school.

Girls' Basketball Team – 3rd in Region – Season Record of 19-6 – Megan Queen, Region 8AA Player of the Year.

One-Act Play – Region Champions and 3rd in State.

Chorus – sang at the Georgia State Capital on March 1, 2007.

Wrestling – Season Record of 22-9 – 1 Area Champion – 6 Wrestlers qualified for State –

one 6th in State and one 2nd in State.

Art – Teacher, Melissa Terry, and student, Dianne Settles, had art work selected to be displayed at North Georgia College and State University beginning March 8.

Fannin County 2007 STAR Student – David Walton

Fannin County 2007 STAR Teacher – Jennifer King

Public Comment:

George Robinson spoke on behalf of the Fannin County High School Wrestling Booster Club. He asked if the board would consider waiving the Performing Arts Center usage fee for the upcoming fund raiser to be held on March 17, 2007. Mrs. Mercier agreed to talk to Mr. Moates about his concern.

Angela Berrong, Principal of Fannin County Middle School, gave an update on the School Improvement process.

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve the purchase of surplus property lots located at East Fannin Elementary. Sue Cole for lot #2, Mountainbrook employees for lot #3 and lot #4.

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve the following field trip request:

East Fannin Elementary Kindergarten – Zoo Atlanta – Atlanta, GA for May 3, 2007

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve the following fundraiser requests:

Fannin County High School – Sale of Vidalia onions, April 1, 2007 – May 1, 2007

Fannin County Middle School – Lift-A-Thon, April 2, 2007 – April 30, 2007

Fannin County High School Skills USA - Sale of Home Interior Fundraiser Candles – March 12, 2007 – March 23, 2007

Fannin County High School Cheerleaders – Sale of Krispy Kreme Doughnuts, March 24,

2007

Fannin County High School Wrestling Booster Club – Bluegrass Festival, March 17, 2007

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve the request to use Fannin County buses to transport fifth grade students to the Shrine Circus.

Moved, seconded, and carried to set the 2007 Fannin County High School Prom for March 17, 2007 at North Georgia College and Technology School and the graduation date for the school year 2006-2007 for May 25, 2007, at 8:00 p.m. The rain date will be Saturday, May 26, 2007, in the Fannin High Football Stadium at 10:00 a.m.

Moved, seconded, and carried to go into 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; (O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(6)) and to discuss the future acquisition of real estate; (O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(4)).

Moved, seconded, and carried to resume regular session.

Bobby Bearden, Chairperson, announced no action was taken while in executive session.

Moved, seconded, and carried to accept the resignations of Elaine Bagley, Susan D. Clement, Robert Craig, Gayle Galloway, Tammy Shinpaugh, and Gay Vann effective at the end of the school year.

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve the following administrators for the 2007-2008 school year:

Mark Henson
Betsy Hyde
Art Hubbard
Benny Long
Cynthia Panter
Candice Sisson
Brenda Payne
Karen Walton
Patricia Adams
David Bryson
Randy Gambrell

Cynthia Hicks
Glenn Patterson

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve the following administrators' transfers for the 2007-2008 school year:

Bonnie Angel – Principal, East Fannin Elementary School
Lori Chastain – Principal, Fannin Middle School
Jeff Wilbanks – Principal, Fannin High School
Angela Berrong – Central Office, Director of School Improvement

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve the following substitute teachers:

Edward Brantley
Mary E. Deal
Loretta Joyce Owensby
Ben Rice

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve the following substitute school nutrition worker:
Loretta Joyce Owensby

Art Hubbard, Director of Instructional Services, gave the board an update on the various construction projects (see attachment).

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve the proposal from Atlanta Closed Circuit Television for security cameras at Fannin High School in the amount of \$6,000.00 and Fannin Vocational School in the amount of \$1,915.00.

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve a change order from Buddy Benefield Construction, Co. in the amount of \$5,631.44 for DDC controls for the HVAC units at Blue Ridge Elementary.

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve the purchase of approximately 2 acres and a house located next to Fannin County Middle School in the amount of \$375,000.

Board Members' Comments:

Terry Bramlett thanked Angela Berrong for her presentation on School Improvement and Art Hubbard on his update on construction.

Junior Farmer stated it was good to be here and he appreciated "what we have done here

tonight”.

Garnett Webb thanked each person for coming to the meeting. He stated he appreciated George Robinson and Joe Webb for their support of the schools, and David and Marty Bryson for what they do for our students. Mr. Webb further stated it was a good day for the Webbs with the addition of two grandsons.

Bobby Bearden stated ditto.

Superintendent's Comments:

Mrs. Mercier stated she would like for the board members to be thinking of a date, time, and location for a board retreat to be held the second week of April. Mrs. Mercier also stated the fire department would tentatively have a controlled burn in April for the Blue Ridge Elementary house. Mrs. Mercier reminded everyone next week was Board Appreciation Week, and she presented board members with certificates of appreciation.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the meeting adjourned subject to being called into special session by the chairman when deemed necessary.