

May 10, 2011
Noon

The Fannin County Board of Education met in a work session with the following members present: Bobby Bearden, Chairperson; Lewis DeWeese, Vice-Chairperson; Terry Bramlett; Sandra Mercier; and Steve Stanley. All members present.

Dr. Michael Gwatney, Director of Technology & Media Services, introduced the technology staff members and explained each of their roles within the department. Dr. Gwatney provided board members with an overview of the equipment that the department has deployed from May 2010 to May 2011; over 1,050 pieces of equipment have been set up during that time. He also presented a list of accomplishments from May 2010 to May 2011 made possible with SPLOST funds. Finally, Dr. Gwatney shared information with board members comparing the district technology inventory from December 2009 to February 2011. He pointed out that the students per modern instructional computers (excluding servers) ratio had decreased from 3.21 in December 2009 to 2.18 in February 2011.

Art Hubbard, Assistant Superintendent, gave board members an update on construction projects. Mr. Hubbard stated the exterior walls in the Fannin County High School cafeteria had been removed, and footers should be poured later in the week. Mr. Hubbard also stated the plan is to remove everything from the cafeteria Friday, May 20, 2011.

Mr. Hubbard stated the T-8 fluorescent lighting with programmable ballasts that were approved at the April 28, 2011, meeting should be installed at the middle school and two of the elementary schools by the end of the summer. Mr. Hubbard stated this would allow less disruption in the classrooms and leave only the middle school classrooms to complete once the next school year begins.

Mark Henson, Superintendent, reviewed the agenda for the meeting on Thursday, May 12, 2011. Mr. Henson stated he would like to add an agenda item for the Thursday meeting to extend dates for propane bids.

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)).

Moved, seconded, and carried to resume regular session.

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

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Bobby Bearden, Chairperson

Mark Henson, Superintendent