

July 27, 2009
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The Fannin County Board of Education met for a called meeting with the following members present: Terry Bramlett, Chairman; Lewis DeWeese; Junior Farmer; Bobby Bearden, Vice Chairperson; and Emily Dunn. All members were present.

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve the Promotion and Retention Policy (IHE) that was tabled on June 26, 2009.

Moved, seconded, and carried that in order to respond to the Governor's announcement that the state will cut all school districts' funds for education in an amount equal to 3% of the earned QBE funds and an additional 5% non-QBE funds, in addition to eliminating funds for three work days for school employees, the Board finds that it is necessary to eliminate 5 teaching positions in the district, which will result in the termination of 5 teachers. These positions are three elementary music teachers, one elementary P.E. teacher and one middle school academic coach. However, the Fannin County School District has been awarded \$799,715 of American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA) Stabilization funds, one express purpose of which is to prevent teachers from being terminated due to a loss of revenue. Therefore, the Board shall designate a portion of its ARRA Stabilization funds for the purpose of avoiding the elimination of these five positions and the termination of five teachers. The Superintendent and staff are authorized and requested to complete the necessary documentation to accomplish this purpose.

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve the revised FY10 American Reinvestment & Recovery Act Funding Plan (see attached).

Moved, seconded, and carried to amend the 2009 – 2010 Fannin County School Calendar to reflect furlough days on October 28, November 23, and November 24, 2009 as suggested by Governor Sonny Purdue. Nutrition and Transportation Directors will determine the third furlough day for their departments since October 28 is not a regular work day for those employees.

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve a Resolution to Request a Waiver of State Board Rule 160.5.3.08 in regard to School Bus Drivers' Workdays.

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

Fannin County High School Student Government to North GA College and State University in Dahlonega, GA on July 28, 2009

Fannin County High School Band to Six Flags in Atlanta, GA on August 1, 2009

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.

Terry Bramlett, Chairman, announced no action was taken while in executive session.

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve Amanda Callihan, Valdora Hammond, and Deana Stevenson as elementary teachers for the 2009 – 2010 school year.

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve Justin Clapsaddle as a middle school teacher for the 2009 – 2010 school year contingent on him receiving a clear renewable teaching certificate.

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve Tammie Mason as a high school teacher for the 2009 – 2010 school year.

Moved, seconded, and carried to approve Holly Sloan as a Special Education teacher for the 2009 – 2010 school year contingent on her receiving a clear renewable teaching certificate.

Moved, seconded, and carried to transfer the following teachers:

Sarah Finch from teacher at Blue Ridge Elementary to Academic Coach
Mark Young from teacher at West Fannin Elementary to Academic Coach
Vanessa Weaver from teacher at Fannin Middle School to Academic Coach
Heather Collis from teacher at Fannin High School to Academic Coach

The following transfers were presented for information only:

Robin Crubaugh from Blue Ridge Elementary to East Fannin Elementary
Teresa Tate from West Fannin Elementary to Blue Ridge Elementary
Kayla Majors from East Fannin Elementary to West Fannin Elementary

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.

Terry Bramlett, Chairperson

Mark Henson, Superintendent

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