

June 14, 2012  
6:00 p.m.

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

By motion from Terry Bramlett, seconded by Bobby Bearden, to approve the following items on the consent agenda. All members voted yes. Motion carried.

Approve the consent agenda.

Approve the meeting minutes from May 10, May 23, and June 12, 2012.

Approve the following field trip requests:

Fannin County High School HOSA – Jumpstart HOSA Officer Training at Centennial High School in Roswell, GA, on June 27, 2012.

Approve the following fundraiser requests:

Blue Ridge Elementary School – Sale of fall and spring individual and classroom pictures from Strawbridge Studios – August 1, 2012 – May 24, 2013;

Blue Ridge Elementary School – School spirit wear – August 1, 2012 – May 24, 2013;

East Fannin Elementary School Third Grade Team – Sale of snack and bake sale items – August 1, 2012 – May 24, 2013;

East Fannin Elementary School PBIS Team – Sale of snack and bake sale items – August 1, 2012 – May 24, 2013;

West Fannin Elementary School PBIS Team – Hat day one day a month – August 17, 2012 – May 17, 2013;

West Fannin Elementary School – Sale of fall portraits from Lifetouch – August 24, 2012;

Fannin County Middle School TSA – Sale of tic-tac-toe game boards made out of scrap wood – August 10, 2012 – May 30, 2013;

Fannin County High School FFA – Sale of Krispy Kreme Doughnuts – July 2 – 20, 2012;

Fannin County High School Soccer – Car Wash – July 30 – August 1, 2012;

Fannin County High School Yearbook/Business Department – Recycling ink, toner, and cell phones – August 1, 2012 – May 31, 2013;

Fannin County High School FFA – Sale of meat sticks and jerky – August 13 – September 13, 2012;

Fannin County High School Skills USA – Sale of World’s Finest Chocolate – August 13 – September 28, 2012; and

Fannin County High School Soccer Program – Sale of soccer program ads – August 13, 2012 – January 25, 2013.

Public Comment:

Dr. Barry Abbott, President of Fannin County Association of Educators, spoke on behalf of the association. Dr. Abbott stated members were extremely anxious about future cuts in education and requested the board consider modifying the Reduction in Force (RIF) policy to allow employees who have been RIF’d to be offered positions before opening these positions to the public.

After public a motion was made by Steve Stanley, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve the financial report for the month ending April 30, 2012. All members voted yes. Motion carried.

Mark Henson, Superintendent, stated the SPLOST check received in May for the month of March was \$282,787.83.

Motion by Bobby Bearden, seconded by Lewis DeWeese, to approve the proposal from Black Mountain Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$37,421.80 to modify the electrical system at Blue Ridge Elementary School two-story wing to be paid out of SPLOST funds. All members voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Terry Bramlett, seconded by Steve Stanley, to approve the proposal from Polk County Public Service Company in the amount of \$48,631.00 to install toilets and lavatory faucets throughout the school at Fannin County Middle School to be paid out of SPLOST funds. All members voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Lewis DeWeese, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve a spending resolution for the month of July 2012 (see attached). All members voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Steve Stanley, seconded by Bobby Bearden, to approve the five-year Perkins IV Local Plan for Career and Technical Education and one-year funding application for FY13. All members voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Terry Bramlett, seconded by Lewis DeWeese, to approve the resignations of the following personnel. All members voted yes. Motion carried.

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| Glenn Patterson | East Fannin Elementary School effective 6-29-12 |
| Jr. Gwynn       | West Fannin Elementary School effective 7-31-12 |

Motion by Bobby Bearden, seconded by Terry Bramlett, to approve Ashley Brisbay as a ½ time teacher for the 2012 – 2013 school year. All members voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Bobby Bearden, seconded by Lewis DeWeese, to approve Sharra Clemons as a ½ time teacher for the 2012 – 2013 school year. All members voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Steve Stanley, seconded by Bobby Bearden, to approve Trista Gillespie, Nicholas Miller, Rebekah Sheffield, and Amelia Lorenz as certificated personnel for the 2012 – 2013 school year. All members voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Terry Bramlett, seconded by Bobby Bearden, to approve Polly Warren as a school nutrition substitute.

#### Superintendent's Comments:

Mr. Henson stated it had been a hard year, and the last thing he wanted to do was trim positions. Mr. Henson stated graduating 184 students was definitely a bright spot in the year. Mr. Henson stated he is looking forward to the day the economy turns around.

Mr. Henson stated the 9/11 steel dedication ceremony, which was held earlier in the day, was a very moving experience of which he was glad to be a part.

#### Board Members' Comments:

Bobby Bearden stated he was glad to be here.

Terry Bramlett thanked Mr. Henson and his staff for their conservative approach to the school system's financial process. Mr. Bramlett stated it was an honor to be a part of such a great school system.

Lewis DeWeese thanked everyone for coming out to the meeting.

Steve Stanley thanked the "Blues Brothers" for their performance at the end-of-year ceremony.

Sandra Mercier stated she was very pleased with graduation.

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 Chair when deemed necessary.

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Sandra Mercier, Chairperson

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Mark Henson, Superintendent

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