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Darin Beckwith Director **Beth Neel Teacher Center Coordinator**

BOARD MINUTES December 14, 2016

Board President Susan Stewart established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 10:36.

Ms. Stewart thanked Allen Blackwell for hosting the meeting in their beautiful Alumni Room.

The consent agenda which consisted of the November minutes and November financial reports were approved. Motion by Ronnie Kissire, second by Allen Blackwell and the motion carried.

Director Darin Beckwith introduced Mr. Ken Rich and Mr. Kendal Wells from APSRC. They presented information on CFAM.

Mr. Beckwith then recognized Dr. Mike Skelton, Superintendent at Benton School District. Dr. Skelton introduced Mr. Juan Ortiz with The Flippin Group. Mr. Ortiz presented information on Capturing Kids Hearts which is a program to help teachers work with students in a more positive way so that students will work harder in class.

Under action items the group approved the adoption of an addendum to the employment policy for the Tobacco Coordinator. Motion by Danny Thomas to approve the addendum, second by Dan Breshears and the motion carried.

April Shepherd, CTE Coordinator addressed the group and gave state CTE updates and information.

During Superintendents' Forum the group discussed the upcoming Legislative Session.

Director Beckwith then gave information on the ALE/HUB proposals that will be given by Jason Burkman. He informed the group that they need to start getting information concerning the Superintendent's Retreat to Billie Garlin. He also informed the group that the Legislative Wednesday meetings will begin on January 11 at the State Capitol.

Motion to adjourn by Shawn Cook, second by Dan Breshears and the meeting was adjourned at 12:02.

The next meeting will be January 11, 2017 at the State Capitol.