

Members of the FTA appear excited as they sign up for teaching jobs in the elementary schools.

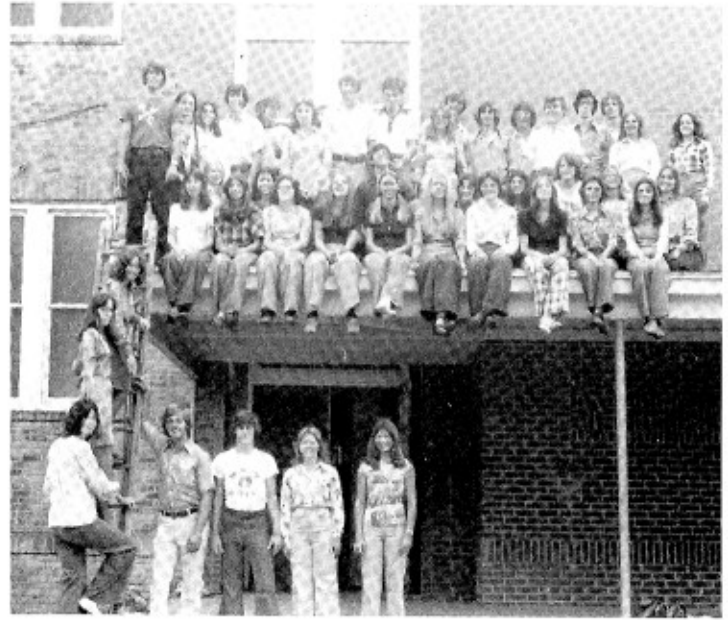
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The first Future Teachers of America was founded at Walterboro High Oct. 21, 1938 by Mrs. Ruth Thomas. Mrs. Thomas' organization was the beginning of a nationwide program. Since the founding of the name has been changed to Student Action for Education but Walterboro High has retained the original title of FTA to honor its organizer. In the FTA's 38 years it has only had three sponsors: Mrs. Ruth Thomas, founder, Mrs. Leitha Stroud and its present advisor Mrs. Laura Lynn Hughes.

Projects achieved by the FTA included the annual talent show and the opportunity for each member to teach in the elementary or junior high schools. Teacher Appreciation Day was held in the spring.



A MALE PRESIDENT OF FTA? Travis Beeson calls the meeting to order.



FTA members are Travis Beeson, (President); Wes White, (Vice President); Minnilyn Byrd, (Secretary); Joy Nettles, (Treas.); on ladder: Lori Connelly, Debra Bunton, Christa Arney, **Front Row:** Terry Starks, Mary Barnes, Georgia Floyd, Rhonda Rhode, Jean Bishop, Beth Bishop, Sandy Socha, Julianne Stuck, Kathy Smith, Beth Fox, **Second Row:** Grace Lyn Lyons, Deborah Carter, Nick Pinckney, Michele Smith, Celeste O'Quinn, Wanda Ferguson, Becky Murdaugh, Linda Beach, **Back Row:** Melvin Williamson, Diane Woodward, Brenda Craven, Howell Sweat, Donnie Baldwin, Sharon Craven, Mack Padgett, Jimmy Shell, Eileen Finigan, Randy Shell, Mike Hall, Robert Hiott, Lucky Lyons, Whitney Stringfield, Harold Whatley, Ella Kinsey, Melanie Kinard.