ARKADELPHIA BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
September 20, 2022

The Arkadelphia Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, September 20, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the upstairs conference room of 700 Clinton Street Arkadelphia, Arkansas. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Blake Bell, president. A quorum was established with five members present. (Gina White arrived at 6:10)

Members Present: Mr. Blake Bell, President, Ms. Gina White, Vice President, Dr. Kenneth G. Harris, Jr., Dr. Jeff Root, Mr. Clark Tennyson and Mr. Matt Johnson.

Member Absent: Ms. Ida Tramble, Secretary

BADGER PRIDE

Dr. Turner presented the Badger Prides:

a) AAA Advisory Committee (Emilee Young)
b) National Rural and Small Town Award (Blaise Batson, Seth Campbell, and Calvin Clardy)
c) Nicole McGough

HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS AND DELEGATIONS

Ms. Thomas introduced parent Hope Delahunt who voiced her concern of the recent transportation policy.

INSTRUCTIONAL REPORT

Dr. Turner, along with each principal, Stephanie Givens, Mary Snowden, Cheryl Merk, and Callie Hunley, reviewed the 2022 state assessment data.

CONSENT AGENDA

a) The minutes from the August 16, 2022 Regular Board Meeting, and the September 6, 2022 Agenda Setting Meeting were approved by unanimous consent of the Board.
b) The August 2022 Financials were presented by Superintendent Thomas.

ACTION ITEMS

a) Legal Update
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent a motion was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Tennyson, and carried 6-0 to reject the settlement demand of the pending lawsuit.

b) Approval of Act 1120 Resolution to Approve Salary Increases
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent a motion was made by Dr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Johnson, and carried 6-0 to approve the resolution to approve salary increases.

c) Approval of the FY22-23 Budget
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent a motion was made by Dr. Harris, seconded by Dr. Root, and carried 6-0 to approve the FY22-23 budget.

d) Approval of the Fixed Asset Deletions List
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent a motion was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Tennyson, and carried 6-0 to approve the fixed asset list.

e) Approval of the 2022-23 ESEA Statement of Assurance
f) Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent a motion was made by Ms. White, seconded by Mr. Tennyson, and carried 6-0 to approve the resolution to approve the 2022-23 ESEA statement of assurance.

g) **Approval of Roof Repair at AHS**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent a motion was made by Mr. Tennyson, seconded by Mr. Johnson, and carried 6-0 to approve the resolution to approve the roof repair at the high school in the amount of $60,713.11.

h) **Approval of Technology Purchase of Internal Connections and Maintenance**
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent a motion was made by Dr. Root, seconded by Ms. White, and carried 6-0 to approve the technology purchase of internal connections and maintenance.

i) **Approval of a Special Called Meeting Retreat and Strategic Planning October 28, 2022 9-4:00 Iron Mt. Conference Center**
President Bell request a motion to approve the special called meeting. Dr. Harris made the motion, seconded by Ms. White to approve the special called meeting.

PERSONNEL

Ms. White made the motion to adjourn into executive session at 7:47 pm. Upon returning to open session, the Superintendent made the recommendation, a motion was made by Ms. White, seconded by Mr. Tennyson, and carried 6-0 to approve the following personnel actions:

Employment

Certified:

Stephen Watson Assistant Band Director (Interim) Start Date: 9/21/2022 161 Days Contract

Classified:

Melissa Miller Spec Ed Paraprofessional Start Date: 9/19/2022 163 Days Contract

Temporary Employment

Griffin Pritchard Goza After School Detention $30/hour Brandi Cotton Goza After School Detention $30/hour Brandi Cotton Goza Saturday School $30/hour Adrienne Doles 9th Grade Quiz Bowl $500

Beverly Slavens 10th-12th Quiz Bowl $500 Steve Patterson 10th-12th Quiz Bowl $500 Crysten Clayborn Additional SpEd Support for Peake and Perritt $15/hour Betty Bass Gate $11/hour Ryan Ellison BB clock and score book $11/hour Mark Coon BB clock and score book $11/hour Donna Adkins Gate $11/hour Bobby Evins BB clock and score book $11/hour Kathy King Gate $11/hour Linda Archer VB clock and score keeper $11/hour John Ware BB clock and score book $11/hour Jonathan Klein Gate, clock, and score book $11/hour Garrett Garner BB clock and score book $11/hour Trey Schucker BB clock and score book $11/hour Andrew Loe BB clock and score book $11/hour Don Roe Gate $11/hour Elaine Roe Gate $11/hour Freda Tate Concessions and Gate $11/hour Dolores Williams Concessions and Gate $11/hour Ben Chandler BB clock and score book $11/hour Amanda Stephenson BB clock and score book $11/hour Amanda Stephenson FB Gate $11/hour Jenny Coon FB Gate $11/hour Jenny Coon BB clock and score book $11/hour Andrew Steely BB clock and score book $11/hour Brian Gibson BB clock and score book $11/hour

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Each Department submitted a report of the previous month's activities.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Ms. Thomas

a) Enrollment Update / COVID-19 Update
b) Facilities Update
c) ASBA Safety Training, September 29th - onsite in Hot Springs or virtual option
d) Board Luncheon at AHS in October; date TBD

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

IDA TRAMBLE, SECRETARY