

## **ARKADELPHIA BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES: March 28, 2019**

The Arkadelphia Board of Education met in regular session Thursday, March 28, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Administration Building, located at 235 North Eleventh Street.

**Members Present:** Dr. Casey Motl, President; Dr. Kenneth G. Harris, Jr.; Vice President; Ms. Karrie Goodman, Secretary; Ms. Paulette Blacknall, Ms. Gina White, Mr. Blake Bell and Dr. Jeff Root. The President called the meeting to order and established a quorum with seven (7) members present.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the regular meeting of February 19, 2019, special called meeting of February 26, 2019, special called agenda setting meeting of March 5, 2019, and special called meetings of March 7, 13, and 19, 2019 were approved.

### **SUSPEND THE RULES**

Dr. Harris made the motion seconded by Ms. Blacknall to suspend the rules and go into executive session to discuss accepting the resignation of Dr. Whitten as Superintendent of Schools. The motion carried 7-0. Dr. Root made the motion seconded by Mr. Bell to approve adding the item "Personnel" to the agenda as item 5 and renumber the remaining items on the agenda. The motion carried 7-0.

### **PERSONNEL**

At 6:04 p.m., the Board retired to executive session. In open session at 6:14 p.m., Dr. Motl read the terms of the separation agreement, requested a motion for acceptance of the Superintendent's resignation and to authorize the Board President and Secretary to execute the separation agreement. Dr. Harris made the above stated motion and Mr. Bell seconded. The motion carried 7-0. Dr. Root made the motion seconded by Dr. Harris to designate an acting Superintendent and Ex Officio Financial Secretary. The motion carried 7-0. Dr. Motl opened the floor to nominations. Dr. Root nominated Dr. Jeanette Turner; Ms. White seconded and after no other nominations were made, Dr. Motl closed the nominations. The Board voted 7-0 to name Dr. Turner as acting Superintendent of Schools and Ex Officio Financial Secretary.

### **INSTRUCTIONAL REPORT/ REPORT OF EXCELLENCE**

Dr. Turner introduced Ms. Mary Snowden, Principal of Peake Elementary. Ms. Snowden presented a reading program with incentives for students that has been implemented at the campus. The AHS Robotics Team gave a demonstration of the robot the team used recently in competition.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The Board and Ms. Tammy Barger, Business Manager, reviewed the District's financial statements for February.

### **CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**

Dr. Turner stated that construction is continuing and the district will be taking possession soon.

### **CONSIDER ARKANSAS SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION SYSTEM**

During the February regular meeting, this item was tabled. Ms. White made the motion seconded by Dr. Root to take the item off the table for discussion. The motion carried 7-0. Dr. Harris made the motion seconded by Ms. Blacknall to adopt the Arkansas Superintendent Evaluation System. The motion carried 7-0.

### **CONSIDER RECOMMENDATION FOR MATHEMATICS INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS**

Dr. Turner stated the Mathematics adoption committee is recommending the following instructional materials for Mathematics:

Perritt Primary School, Central Primary School, and Peake Elementary School:

Eureka Math by Great Minds

Goza Middle School:

Illustrative Mathematics by Open Up Resources

Arkadelphia High School:

Algebra I: Envision Algebra I by Pearson  
 Algebra II: Envision Algebra II by Pearson  
 Geometry: Envision Geometry by Pearson  
 Pre Cal Trigonometry: Pre-Calculus with Limits by Cengage Learning  
 Algebra III: Algebra and Trigonometry, 10<sup>th</sup> Ed. By Cengage Learning  
 AP Calculus: Calculus of a Single Variable by Cengage Learning  
 AP Statistics: The Practice of Statistics, 6<sup>th</sup> Ed. By Bedford, Freeman, and Worth

Dr. Harris made the motion seconded by Ms. Goodman to accept the above mentioned recommendations for K-12 Mathematics instructional materials adoptions. The motion carried 7-0.

**CONSIDER BIDS FOR COMPUTER NETWORK INSTALLATION AT NEW GOZA**

Dr. Turner stated that Joey Andrews, Technology Coordinator, requested bids from vendors that specialize in computer networking installations for the labor and tools to install a computer network in the new Goza Middle School. After reviewing all bids received Mr. Andrews recommends GWHSI Inc. be awarded the bid in the amount of \$58,533. Dr. Harris made the motion seconded by Mr. Bell to accept Mr. Andrews’s recommendation and award the bid to GWHSI Inc. The motion carried 7-0.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Dr. Turner reported that Kindergarten Roundup registered 114 students yesterday. She also reported that the Standard Response Protocol meeting will be held April 9, 2019 in the auditorium in the Administration Building at 6 pm.

**PERSONNEL**

The Board retired into executive session at 7:14 p.m. to consider personnel. In open session following executive session, the following actions were taken: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Dr. Harris, seconded by Ms. White, and carried 7-0 to approve the following personnel action:

**Employment**

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| Timothy Noel | Custodian/Perritt | Start Date 3/29/19 65 days remaining<br>260 Days Full Time |
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**Resignation**

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| Jordan Phillips | FACS/AHS                      | June 7, 2019   |
| Tori Rocole     | Bus Driver                    | May 31, 2019   |
| David Maxwell   | Principal/AHS                 | June 30, 2019  |
| Chris Babb      | Director of Communications    | June 30, 2019  |
| Cary Goza       | Alternative Education Program | March 31, 2019 |

**Intent to Retire**

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| Jim Lloyd | Director of Bands/AHS/Goza | June 30, 2019 |
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**Transfer**

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| Jessica Wright | From:4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher/Peake To:3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher/Central |
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With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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**MS. KARRIE GOODMAN, SECRETARY**