

ARKADELPHIA BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES: MAY 21, 2019

The Arkadelphia Board of Education met in regular session Tuesday, May 21, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in the Auditorium 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 (*arrived 8:15*) and Dr. Jeff Root. The President called the meeting to order and established a quorum with six (6) members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The following minutes were approved as presented: Special Called – April 16, 2019, Regular meeting April 16, 2019, Special Called April 23, 2019, Special Called April 30, 2019, Special Called May 6, 2019, Agenda planning May 7, 2019, Special Called May 9, 2019, Special Called May 15, 2019, and Special Called May 19, 2019.

INSTRUCTIONAL REPORT/ REPORT OF EXCELLENCE

Dr. Turner introduced Steve Patterson Quiz Bowl coach and Nancy Mortensen GT Coordinator. They presented the academic awards to the following students:

2nd Place AGQBA Ashdown Invitational Tournament

1st Place AGQBA Sr. High Regional Tournament

Alex Carter
Owen Phillips
Nicholas LeVar
Caroline Derby
Patrick Hayes
Sydney Motl
Cannon Turner
Cabb Batson
Cole Turner
Yebo Moyo
Wyatt Forthman
Shepherd Molinari
Xander Adams

AGQBA Sr. High Regional Tournament MVP & State All-Tournament Team – Alex Carter

1st Place – Murfreesboro Invitational Sr. High Quiz Bowl Tournament

1st Place – AGQBA 4A Sr. High State Finals (Dardanelle)

1st Place – AGQBA 4A Sr. High State Championship Finals (AETN)

Alex Carter
Owen Phillips
Nicholas LeVar
Caroline Derby
Patrick Hayes
Sydney Motl
Cannon Turner
Cabb Batson

Cole Turner
Yebo Moyo
Wyatt Forthman
Shepherd Molinari
Xander Adams

2019 Arkansas Governor's School Selection

Patrick Hayes

National Geographic Bee – Goza Middle School Champion & State Competition Qualifier

Micah Raney

2nd Place – AGQBA 4A 9th Grade Jr. High Regional Tournament

2nd Place – AGQBA 4A 9th Grade Jr. High State Finals Tournament

Calvin Clardy (Regional Tournament MVP & All-Tournament Team)

Mason McKinney (All-Tournament Team)

Carter Babb

Blaise Batson

Seth Campbell

Judsen Coon

Takylia Crawford

Anna Derby

Brandon Dickey

Avery Garner

Cameron Jones

Gray Manning

Marveon Berry

Owen Morgan

Mtende Moyo

Liyah Smith

Olivia Fenocchi

Carson Wilson

Hannah Wilson

AGQBA 4A 9th Grade Jr. High Regional Tournament MVP & State All-Tournament Team Calvin Clardy

AGQBA Jr. High State All-Tournament Team

Mason McKinney

1st Place – AGQBA Murfreesboro 7th Grade Invitational Tournament

Daniel Kesterson

Noah Heard

Rowan Phelps

Maryann Dang

Summersky Molinari

Carson Lewis

Zane Hill

Cade McBride

Kourtnei Foster

Samara Hammock

Tanner Cotton
Jayme Melugin
Lydia Benjamin
Kahlea Wilson
Chase Vantilborg

1st Place – AGQBA Murfreesboro 6th Grade Invitational Tournament

1st Place – AGQBA Dawson Co-op 6th Grade Regional Tournament

Nathan Alexander
Millie Babb
Jared Campbell
Reese Campbell
Carson Carozza
Madeline Coston
Husten Hooten
Bryce Martin
Emma Nelson
Parker Miles
Gwen Person
Kyle Reed
Bayley Stacks
Halle McGough
Jacie Bright
Madeline Coston
Jancey Thomas
Katie Jo Batson
Olivia Robbins

Dawson Co-op Invitational Chess Tournament – 8th Grade Division

Seth Campbell - 1st Place Champion
Mason McKinney - 2nd Place

Dawson Co-op Invitational Chess Tournament – 7th Grade Division

Kourtnei Foster – 3rd Place

Dawson Co-op Invitational Chess Tournament – 6th Grade Division

David Lemus - 1st Place Champion

Duke Talent Investigation Program – State Recognition

Rowen Phelps

National Geographic Bee – Peake Elementary School 1st Place Champion & State Competition Qualifier

Nate Newton

2018 DAR County Essay Contest

1st Place - Whit Alderson
2nd Place - Ellie Echols
3rd Place - Dejayla Young

Dawson Co-op 4th Grade Regional Chess Tournament

1st Place – Ezra Campbell
3rd Place – Kylar Willett (tied)
3rd Place – Devon Bivins (tied)

3rd Place Dawson Co-op 5th Grade Quiz Bowl Tournament

Lance Gulley
Lara Calder
Trace Young
Seth Molinari
Whit Alderson
Emilie Taylor
Christian Hunter
Ellie Echols
Jon Ross Simpson

Clark County 2nd Grade Spelling Bee

3rd place - Kambry Elgas

Clark County 3rd Grade Spelling Bee

1st place - Ben Taylor
2nd place - David Garrett

Clark County Spelling Bee

James Bautista - 1st Place; State Bee Qualifier
Spencer Seel - 2nd Place

FINANCIAL REPORT

Tammy Barger, Business Manager presented the District's financial statements for April.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Dr. Turner reported that a dedication and ribbon cutting is scheduled for New Goza at 9 a.m. on May 29th. There will be student involvement in the program. It is Nabholz's goal to turn the building over to the district that day.

CONSIDER NEW TECH CONTINUATION AGREEMENT

The Superintendent presented the renewal agreement with New Tech for the Echo services to the Board and recommended continuing services for the next 2 years at a rate of \$28,080 a year. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Dr. Harris made the motion seconded by Ms. Goodman, motion carried 6-0.

CONSIDER REVISIONS TO THE CLASSIFIED STIPEND

The Superintendent presented a revised copy of the classified stipend schedule. This schedule is more reflective of the current staff and eliminates positions the district will no longer have starting July 1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Ms. Blacknall made the motion seconded Dr. Root, motion carried 6-0.

CONSIDER JULY MEETING DATES

The Superintendent stated that the dates for the agenda meeting and the regular July meetings are July 2nd and 16th. Historically the Board has chosen to forgo July meetings. Dr. Harris made a motion to table this item Dr. Root made a second, motion carried 6-0.

MISCELLANEOUS

Dr. Turner gave a list of upcoming events. Those events are as follows:

5/23 Employee Awards Dinner Garrison Center Ballroom HSU 6:00 p.m.

5/29 Dedication/Ribbon Cutting New Goza 9:00 a.m.

5/31 – 6/1 State Robotics Competition AHS Gym Friday 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. and Saturday All Day

6/3 – 8/2 (Closed July 4th) Summer Feeding Program locations include Arkadelphia Rec Center 11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., AKC (Third Street Baptist Church Life Center) 11:45 a.m. – 12:05 p.m. Carpenter Hill Apartments 12:10 p.m. – 12:20 p.m., and Elliston Place Apartments 12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

PERSONNEL

The Board retired into executive session at 6:51 p.m. to consider personnel. In open session, at 8:36 p.m., following executive session, the following actions were taken:

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Dr. Harris, seconded by Ms. Blacknall, and carried 7-0 to approve the following personnel action:

Resignation

Heather Rash McDaniel English Teacher/AHS May31, 2019

Employment/Certified

Brian Fowler Assistant Band Director /Goza Start Date July 1, 2019 226 day contract
Sarah Matlock G T Coordinator Start Date July 22, 2019 206 day contract
Della Miller 7th Grade Math Teacher Start Date August 5, 2019 191 day contract

Employment/Classified

Katina Warren Full Time Parent as Teacher Home Visitor Start Date July 1, 2019 240 day contract
Katherine McClure Special Education Paraprofessional Start Date August 5, 2019 191 day contract

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

MS. KARRIE GOODMAN, SECRETARY