

**ARKADELPHIA BOARD OF EDUCATION
OFFICIAL MINUTES: JANUARY 17, 2017**

The Arkadelphia Board of Education met in regular session Tuesday, January 17, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Administration Building, located at 235 North Eleventh Street.

Members Present: Mr. Randy Turner, President; Dr. Kenneth G. Harris, Jr. Vice President; Dr. Jeff Root, and Dr. Casey Motl, **Members Absent:** Ms. Karrie Goodman, Secretary; Ms. Gina White and Ms. Mona Vance. The President called the meeting to order and established a quorum with four (4) members present.

HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS AND DELEGATIONS

None

^ **Ms. White** joined the meeting at 6:08 p.m.

REPORT OF EXCELLENCE

Ms. Hanna Dean, Communications Director, presented a video honoring the Arkadelphia Board of Education in recognition of Arkansas School Board Appreciation month. The video featured a skit created by students of Central Primary School

Dr. Jeanette Turner, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, provided recognition honoring Goza as one of the state's top five middle schools receiving an Outstanding Performance Award; based on April, 2015 achievement in Math. Ms. Angela Garner, principal of Goza, assisted Dr. Turner in the presentation of certificates to the students who were honored.

INSTRUCTIONAL REPORT

Dr. Turner gave a report on the District's testing schedule, The period of time for testing will be longer this year - April 10-May 12.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Board and Superintendent reviewed the District's financial statements for November and December.

APPROVAL OF FIXED ASSET DELETION LIST FY16

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Dr. Harris, seconded by Dr. Root, and carried 5-0 to approve the Fixed Asset Deletion List FY 16 as presented.

BUILDING PROJECT INFORMATION

Dr. Donnie Whitten, Superintendent, reported that the Board had met twice with the construction management firm and architectural firm during the past month, and that an additional meeting will take place on January 26th. Plans are still proceeding with beginning the building projects in the summer (2017). There was discussion and consensus for securing a construction professional services individual for advisement regarding proposed construction costs.

MASTER PLAN UPDATE

The Superintendent reported that the District's current Master Plan is being reworked as required on an every other year basis.

ASBA CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Board members Dr. Harris, Mr. Turner, Dr. Motl, and Dr. Root reported on information provided in ASBA workshops related to state testing programs, New Tech programs, Conversion charter schools, and Career Path programs.

Dr. Kenneth Harris was honored at the conference as recipient of the 2016 President's Award

for attaining at least 500 hours of continuing education and for providing superlative leadership during a period of thirty-four years for the Arkadelphia Board of Education and to the Arkansas School Boards Association.

ANNUAL BOARD EVALUATION

The Superintendent presented the annual board evaluation summary completed by Board members for review and discussion.

ENROLLMENT UPDATE

Dr. Whitten reported on the District's enrollment of 1837 K-12 students.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

MS. KARRIE GOODMAN, SECRETARY