Paris School Board Member Earns ASBA Pinnacle Award

LITTLE ROCK – Brian Cooper, a member of the Paris School Board, has been recognized by the Arkansas School Boards Association (ASBA) as a Pinnacle Board Member, which is the highest award and recognition for an individual school board member in Arkansas.

The Pinnacle Award is bestowed on board members who have accumulated at least 200 hours of continuing education through workshops, seminars or other board development activities designed to improve their effectiveness as members of the local school board.

The award is highest achievement of a three-level professional development program designed by the ASBA Board of Directors to foster ongoing and continuous learning for Arkansas school board members. Training programs focus on Arkansas school law, finance, leadership, responsibilities of Arkansas school board members, community relations, operating effective meetings and current information on a wide range of education-related subjects. The award recognizes those school board members who take the initiative to continue their training above and beyond the state-mandated six hours of annual board member training required by Arkansas Law.

ASBA is a not-for-profit organization that has provided programs and services for all of the state’s locally elected school boards for more than 50 years.