

ARKADELPHIA BOARD OF EDUCATION

OFFICIAL MINUTES: AUGUST 16, 2016

The Arkadelphia Board of Education met in regular session Tuesday, August 16, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Administration Building, located at 235 North Eleventh Street.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of May 17, 2016; and special meeting of May 31, 2016 were approved as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Board and Superintendent reviewed the District's financial statements for June and July, 2016.

→ **Dr. Harris joined the meeting at 6:07 p.m.**

SCHOOL ELECTION UPDATE

Dr. Donnie Whitten, Superintendent, provided an update on the annual school election to be held by early voting and absentee only due to there being no contested candidates for positions one, two, and three. It was stated that the regular September board meeting will be held on the scheduled third Tuesday.

APPROVAL OF EXTRA DUTY PAY FOR 2015-16

The Superintendent presented listings of the Certified and Classified extra duty payments for 2015-16.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mr. Turner, seconded by Ms. White, and carried 5-0 to approve the listing of extra duty pay for 2015-16.

SALARY CHANGE REPORT

The Superintendent presented the comparison report on salary change amounts for 2015-16. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Dr. Motl, seconded by Mr. Turner, and carried 5-0 to approve the salary change report for 2015-16.

SCHOOL OPENING UPDATE

Dr. Whitten provided information on the District's staff training and activities held prior to the opening of school on August 15, 2016, and further stated that the opening days of school had been very smooth..

CONSIDERATION OF MILK AND BREAD BIDS

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mr. Turner, seconded by Dr. Motl, and carried 5-0 to approve the bids of Bimbo Bakery for bread and Hiland Dairy for milk bids for 2016-17.

BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE

Dr. Whitten reported that both the Board and staff have been able to review the preliminary architect drawings for the new building projects during the past few weeks. A timeline window between February and June for the beginning of the building projects has been provided by NABHOLZ Building Management.

The Superintendent will be arranging for the Board to receive a detailed timeline report directly from the construction team in the next few weeks.

MISCELLANEOUS

Superintendent reported to the Board that there will be opportunities for the Board to receive their required professional training hours at Dawson Co-op on Oct. 3 and 10th at 5:30 p.m. (Dinner at 5:00),

PERSONNEL

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Dr. Harris, seconded by Dr. Motl to approve the following personnel recommendations:

Resignation

Patrick Nelson, Bus Driver; effective 08/08/2016

Sadie Hardin, Pre-K Para (Perritt); effective 08/04/2016

Employment

Kaila Lidge, Pre-K Para (Perritt) 191-day contract – at scale

Skye Lowe, Childcare employee; full-time: 260-day contract – at scale

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

MS. KARRIE GOODMAN, SECRETARY