

ARKADELPHIA BOARD OF EDUCATION

Official Minutes: March 3, 2015

The Arkadelphia Board of Education met in special session Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in the Superintendent's Office of the Administration Building, located At 235 North Eleventh Street.

Members Present: Dr. Jeff Root, President; Ms. Terri King, Secretary; Dr. Casey Motl, and Mr. Randy Turner.
Members Absent: Mr. Billy Groom, Dr. Kenneth G. Harris, Jr., Vice President; and Ms. Karrie Goodman.

Dr. Root stated the purpose of the meeting was to conduct the agenda planning session for the regular March board meeting and to consider agenda items listed. A quorum was established with four (4) members present.

Cancellation of February Regular Meeting

Dr. Donnie Whitten, Superintendent, announced that the regular board meeting scheduled for February 17, 2015, was cancelled due to inclement weather and power outage. Items on the February agenda will be consider on the March agenda.

AGENDA PLANNING SESSION

The Board and Superintendent conducted the agenda planning session.

- ♦ **Ms. Goodman** joined the meeting at 5:08 p.m.
- ♦ **Dr. Harris** joined the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

PERSONNEL

The Board retired to executive session at 5:25 p.m. to consider recommendations for employment, resignation, medical leave request, and re-employment.

In open session following executive session, the following actions were taken:

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Dr. Motl, seconded by Ms. King, and carried 6-0 to approve:

Employment

Bonny Burnett, Speech Pathologist; effective 2015-16 school year; 191-day contract – at scale

Resignations

Nicholas D. Brumfield, Teacher/Coach(Goza); effective end of 2014-15 school year

Penny Davis, Middle school teacher; effective end of 2014-15 school year

Medical Leave

Kimberly Turley, Primary teacher (Central); Effective 02-02-15 - 03-16-15

Re-employment of Administrators for 2015-16

Virginia Anderson	Melinda Morris	Carla Narlesky
Jeanette Turner	Nikki Thomas	Randy Hicks
Libby Wheaton	Angela Garner	Jimmy King
Patricia Wright	David Maxwell	Chris Babb
Callie Hunley	Cheryl Merk	

Renewal of Superintendent Contract

A motion was made by Dr. Harris, seconded by Dr. Motl, and carried 6-0 to renew the contract of Superintendent Donnie Whitten, with extension of one (1) year to total three (3) years contract, with no change to current salary.

AMENDMENT TO AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Turner, seconded by Dr. Harris, and carried 6-0 to amend the agenda by adding two items: (1) Discussion on Project Connect; and (2) Consideration of Board Member Correspondence.

PROJECT CONNECT

Dr. Motl presented an update on Project Connect regarding compensation for facilitators and formulation of questions for discussion forums.

CONSIDERATION OF BOARD MEMBER CORRESPONDENCE

A motion was made by Dr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Turner, and carried 6-0 to accept the resignation of Board member Terri King, effective March 4, 2015.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m

MS. KARRIE GOODMAN, SECRETARY