

ARKADELPHIA BOARD OF EDUCATION

Official Minutes

March 17, 2015

The Arkadelphia Board of Education met in regular session Tuesday, March 17, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Administration Building, located at 235 North Eleventh Street.

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

The President called the meeting to order and established a quorum with six (6) members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of January 20, February 3, and March 3, 2014 were approved as presented.

ELECTION OF BOARD SECRETARY

A motion was made by Dr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Turner, and carried 6-0 to elect Karrie Goodman for the position of Board Secretary to replace Ms. Terri King.

INSTRUCTIONAL REPORT

Dr. Donnie Whitten, Superintendent, introduced the principal and faculty members from Perritt Primary School for an instructional report to the Board. Technology & web-based student learning activities were presented by Principal Calley Hunley and teachers - Ms. Carrie Sharp, Ms. Trudy Conzel, and Ms. Dawn Forthman.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Board and Superintendent reviewed the District financial statements for January and February, 2015.

APPOINTMENT OF BUDGET COMMITTEE

Dr. Harris nominated Mr. Randy Turner as recommendation for the Board representative on the district Budget Committee, 2015-16.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Dr. Harris, seconded by Ms. Goodman, and carried 6-0 to approve the proposed Budget Committee for 2015-16 composed of the following individuals: Board Member: Mr. Randy Turner; Dr. Donnie Whitten, Administration; Dr. Jeanette Turner, Administration; Ms. Nikki Thomas, Principal; Mr. Bud McMillion, Faculty; Ms. Glenda Williams, Classified staff.

PRESENTATION BY APPLE, INC.

A representative from APPLE, Inc. presented information regarding a proposal for providing laptops for student computer programs .

COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

Mr. Sean Ruggles, Director of Communications for the District, provided a summary of the District's various communication programs, including a new district web site design, that is providing continuing enhancement and updated information for the public. Information was presented about the District App and its components for providing assistance to the students, staff, and public.

POLICY REVIEW

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Dr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Turner, and carried 6-0 to suspend the rules for two readings of policy revision and to approve the following policy revisions:

5.15 Grading

4.4 Student Transfers

3.6 Certified Personnel Employee Training (Professional Development)

CONSIDERATION OF FIXED ASSET DELETION LIST FY14

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Dr. Motl, seconded by Ms. Goodman and carried 6-0 - with an amendment for the Board to receive information regarding the amount of funds received from the deletion of the items - to approve the listed fixed asset deletion list as presented for 2014.

LAND PURCHASE DISCUSSION

Information was discussed by the Board regarding adjoining land (5.18 acres) to the High School property, for the purpose of acquiring area for future district building development. A motion was made by Dr. Harris, seconded by Dr. Motl, and carried 6-0 for the Board to empower the Superintendent and Board member Randy Turner to move forward with discussion and study of a proposal to consider purchase of the land.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Board and Superintendent discussed the issue of the District's make-up for days missed during recent inclement weather. Dr. Whitten explained the procedure for creating the school calendar based on certified staff input and voting, with the current adopted calendar indicating making up any inclement weather days at the end of the year. Mr. Bud McMillion, PPC chairman, reported on the certified staff process for input on the current issue of making up the days at the end of the calendar, which resulted in the last day of school for 2015 being June 10.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBER FOR VACANCY

The Board retired to executive session at 8:07 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the board member vacancy.

PERSONNEL

The Board retired to executive session at 8:42 p.m. to consider recommendations for resignation/retirement and re-employment of certified staff.

In open session following executive session:

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mr. Turner, seconded by Dr. Harris, and carried 6-0 to approve the following personnel recommendations:

Retirement

Gwen Fullen, Music teacher (Peake); Effective end of 2014-15 school year
Billy Bennett, Bus Driver; Effective April 22, 2015

Reemployment of Certified Staff

As Attached

AMENDMENT TO AGENDA/CHANGE OF APRIL AGENDA MEETING.

A motion was made by Dr. Harris, seconded by Dr. Motl, and carried 6-0 to amend the agenda and add "**Change of April Agenda Meeting**", and to change the April agenda meeting to Thursday, April 2 at 5:00 p.m.

It was discussed and agreed to interview the two candidates for the board vacancy during the April 2 agenda meeting.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR RE-EMPLOYMENT OF CERTIFIED STAFF

ARCADELPHIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS—2015-16

ARCADELPHIA HIGH SCHOOL

Adams, Amanda
Alexander, Rebecca
Babb, Chris
Barras, Benjamin
Barras, Courtney
Berry, Jequetta
Bradshaw, Julie*
Coon, Mark
Eldridge, J.R.
Goodson, Patti
Gustaveson, David
Holt, Sarah
Hornsby, Amy
Hyde, Kay
Ivy, Whitney
Jones, Donna
Keener, Ashley
Kizer, Joseph (Spencer)
Lloyd, Jim
Macon, Betty
Mays, Clarissa
McMillion, Bud
Moore, Kimberly*
Morgan, Becky
Morrow, Mike
Mortensen, Nancy
Nix, Elizabeth
Patterson, Steve
Pettigrew, William
Queen, Sean
Reed, Caroline
Rogers, Marcia
Rook, Lynn
Ruble, Tanya
Shepherd, Michael
Sivils, Paul
Slavens, Beverly
Smith, Betsy
Smith, Whitney
Stanley, Lisa
Turnbaugh, Steve
Whittle, Shelly*
Williams, Donny
Williams, James
Williams, Paula*

GOZA MIDDLE SCHOOL

Clark, Sharon
Coon, Jennifer
Cornelius, Laura
Crowder, Joan*
Davis, Candace*
Devaney, Camille
Dumond, Mary
Forthman, Kaki
Green, Tami
Hall, Kanesseia
Hannah, Vanilla

Hasley, Randi
Hill, Jacque
Howard, Shirley
King, Kathy
Kizer, Chris
Matros, Brant
McGough, Nicole
Moss, Sarah
Myers, Jeremy
Phillips, Karen
Phillips, Lori
Robinson, Etta*
Rogers, Kelly
Seel, Aaron
Smith, Christy
Smith, David
Smith, Jeremy
Smith, Misty
Smith, Jonathan (Trent)
Stephenson, Amanda
Stewart, Judy
Streetman, Cherokee
Thomas, Mary*
Tuggle, Dana
Watts, Phyllis
Williams, Melanie*
Young, Judy*

***Pending Funding**

*****Pending MAT/ALP progress**

PEAKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Boyette, Leah
Calhoon, Tina
Capps, Sandra
Crews, Debi
Daniell, Jodie
Dixon, Misti***
Forthman, Michael
Hardage, Bridgette*
Hartmann, Michael
Helms, Kenneth
Jackson, Mona
Jones, LaQuita
Myers, Lea*
Prince, Shannon*
Rippetto, Jocelyn
Rocole, Tori
Snowden, Mary
Sorrells, Susan
Whittle, Paula
Wright, Jessica

CENTRAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Cannon, Laurel
Crow, Kathy
DeWitt, Charlotte
Ellison, Ryan
Fielding, Jennifer

Harris, Amanda
Harris, Pamela
Hill, Elizabeth*
Kelly, Jana*
Lawhon, Diann*
McBride, Becky
McMillan, Deborah
Mortenson, Autumn
Parillon, Crystal
Robertson, Debbie
Sheridan, April
Smithey, Jean
Taylor, Courtney
Turley, Kimberly
Williams, Candace
Yelverton, Patricia* ***

PERRITT PRIMARY SCHOOL

Adkins, Donna
Beals, Tina**
Bright, Amy
Carter, Alison
Childs, Shawna
Conzel, Trudy
Forthman, Dawn
French, Sherry
Garner, Regina
Gierth, Cindy
Hendrix, Connie
Horton, Arnesha**
Hurst, Jennifer
McMillion, Amanda
Morris, Elizabeth
Murphy, Kaila
Parker, Misha
Reynolds, Stephanie*
Rodgers, Vanessa
Sharp, Carrie*
Slaughter, Lavern**
Syler, Linda
Thomas, Calicia
Watson, Jane
Williams, Delores

ADDITIONAL CERTIFIED STAFF

Benton, Jasper (AACE Teacher)
Burks, Martha (Ed. Examiner)*
Carter, Kathy (ESL Instructor)
Davis, Judith (AACE Teacher)*
Goza, Cary (AACE Teacher)
Harmon, Brenda (Rosenwald)**

***Pending Funding**

****PreK Positions Contingent Upon Enrollment
and Funding**