

SALEM SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
SALEM SCHOOL DISTRICT
January 18, 2016

The Board of Education of the Salem School District #30, state of Arkansas, met in regular session on Monday, January 18, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the boardroom on the high school campus. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Smith.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Abney, Smith, Yarnell, Coffman, and Koelling

Absent: None

The Chairman declared a quorum present and opened the meeting for business.

The minutes from the December 21, 2015 regular meeting were reviewed. Yarnell made the motion, second by Coffman to approve the minutes as written. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

First order of business was to review the Master Facilities Plan. Superintendent Ken Rich presented information and statistics. After reviewing and discussing the plan, Mr. Rich gave a resolution to the board for approval to support the 2016 Master Facilities Plan / 2017-19 Partnership Program. Motion was made by Abney with a second from Coffman to approve the Master Facilities Plan Resolution (attached). The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Superintendent Rich presented the districts bus/vehicle report to the board members. He noted that the fleet was in very good condition and well maintained by the bus mechanic. At the present time we maintain eleven route buses and three trip buses, two with new paint jobs and one to be painted during the summer, and three spare buses to be used for trips or to be placed on routes if repairs are needed.

Next on the agenda was the consideration to sell a twelve passenger handicap accessible bus. The bus is not being used and the district has another bus that is handicap accessible. After determining fair market value for the bus, the board was asked to approve the sale of the bus to Southside School District for \$1,500.00. Motion was made by Yarnell with a second from Koelling to sell the bus to Southside for \$1,500.00. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous
NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Superintendent Rich presented the board with the renewal of the district's legal liability insurance from Bancorp South at the annual rate of \$6,259.00, noting that the rate was pretty consistent with last year's rate. Rich gave the recommendation for approval. Motion was made by Abney with a second by Coffman to accept the renewal of the district's legal liability insurance at the annual rate of \$6,259.00. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous
NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The financial reports were reviewed and accepted on a motion made by Koelling with a second from Yarnell. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous
NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mike Cole, high school band director had five senior high band students recently earned spots in all region bands at auditions held Saturday, January 16 in Jonesboro. Sara Miller and Trenton Osborne earned positions in the second all region band. Gracie Hamilton, Callie Marsh, and Nikki Gross will perform with first all region band at the Region V clinic, and also qualified to audition for a spot in one of three all state bands.

Ashton Guiltner recently performed with the ASBOA All Region First Jazz Band during the Region V clinic. She also qualified to audition for placement in one of the ASBOA All State Jazz Bands in February.

The transfer of two students from Highland to Salem was considered. Motion was made by Abney, second by Koelling to approve transfers. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous
NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The board retired into executive session at 6:34 p.m.

The board returned to open session at 7:05 p.m.

As the result of executive session and after verbal evaluation of the superintendent and his job performance the contract for Superintendent Rich was extended by one year through June 30, 2019 on a motion by Yarnell with a second by Coffman. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous
NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

In light of January being School Band appreciation Month, Superintendent Rich took a moment to thank the board for the job that they do.

Motion was made by Yarnell to adjourn with a second by Coffman. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Secretary