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SALEM SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES SALEM SCHOOL DISTRICT November 13, 2023

The Board of Education of the Salem School District #30, State of Arkansas, met in regular session Monday, November 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Boardroom on the high school campus. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Miller.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Miller, Coffman, Yarnell, Smith and Hall

Absent: None

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

The minutes from the October 16, 2023 regular meeting were reviewed. Coffman made the motion with a second by Hall to approve the minutes as written.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

First on the agenda was student recognition. High school principal Cody Curtis had ACT Test Data (attached), and several extra- curricular events. Congratulations to all.

Next, recommendation was made to accept five legal transfers. Two students from the Izard County Consolidated School District, two students from the Highland School District, and one student from the Viola School District to the Salem School District. Motion was made by Yarnell with a second from Smith to approve five transfers into Salem District.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The district had our yearly facilities inspection (attached). There was no finding in the elementary school, and two findings in the high school, both involving use of extension cords. Thanks to Mr. Travelstead and his staff for keeping buildings to code.

Superintendent Guiltner asked the board to consider naming our high school gymnasium court, the Wendall Smith court. Coach Smith gave many years to the school system and influenced many lives. Upon approval, the resolution will be presented at the next board meeting. Motion was made by Coffman with a second from Hall to name the High School gymnasium court.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Superintendent Guiltner reported on ARK Code 6-13-608 and ACT 547 of 2023 (attached). There is some clarification on the 3 year or 4 year terms of school board members, that change is only for position with wards. Our board terms will remain the same (5 year terms).

The board was presented the Disaster Recovery Plan for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion was made by Hall with a second from Yarnell to accept the plan.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Next, Superintendent Guiltner presented a new model for superintendent performance targets (attached). This new model will replace the model that was presented in the October meeting. Upon approval this will be added to the current year contract. Motion was made by Smith with a second from Yarnell to replace the 2023-2024 targets with the new model targets.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Superintendent presented ACT 504 board policy updates (attached). Additions were made to the acceptable internet policy use for both licensed and classified polices: 3.28, 3.28F, 8.22, and 8.22F. Motion was made by yarnell with a second from Hall to update the policies.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Guiltner gave an update on the Blue Cross Blue Shield Grant for supplies for calming room. Thanks to Mr. Turnbough for applying for the grant that will provide \$2500.00 to purchase supplies for the room.

Superintendent Guiltner provided the board with the 2025-2026 proposed budget (attached). Motion was made by Coffman with a second from Smith to approve the proposed budget.

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 Coffman with a second from Hall.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

In miscellaneous business:

Prom date has been changed from April 6, 2023 to April 13, 2024.

Request was made to change the December board meeting to December 11, 2023 due to Christmas holiday break. Motion was made by Coffman with a second from Smith to move the meeting date.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous Nays: None