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The Board of Education of the Salem School District #30, State of Arkansas, met in regular session Tuesday, January 20, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Boardroom on the high school campus. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Yarnell.

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Establish Quorum

Roll Call:

Present: Smith, Miller, Coffman and Yarnell

Absent: Hall joined meeting at 6:21pm

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

II. REPORTS

- A. Student Recognition – Mr. Guiltner
- B. Academic Reporting – Literacy Tutoring Grant – Mr. Guiltner
- C. 4-H Archery – Mr. Guiltner
- D. Report on School Board Members Training – Mr. Guiltner
- E. Report on FCCLA Ultimate Leadership Grant – Mr. Guiltner
- F. Report on 2025-2026 Budget Approval – Mr. Guiltner
- G. Act 1029 of 2019 Bullying Report – Mr. Guiltner

III. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Board Minutes
 - 1. December 15, 2025

December 15th Meeting: The minutes were reviewed. **Motion:** A motion was made by Coffman with a second by Smith to accept the minutes as written.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous

Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried

- B. Public Comment – No public comment

IV. ACTION AGENDA

- A. The Board Retired into Executive Session at 6:12 pm. Board Member Joey Hall entered the meeting at 6:21pm. The Board Returned to Open Session at 6:54pm.

- B. Consider Superintendent's Contract and Superintendent's Performance Targets.

Recommendation: As the result of executive session, recommendation was made to extend Superintendent Guiltner's contract one year. This makes contract valid through June 2029.

Motion: A motion was made by Yarnell with a second by Hall.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous

Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried

Recommendation: Recommendation was made to leave Superintendent's Performance targets as written.

Motion: A motion was made by Miller with a second by Coffman.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous

Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried

C. Consider Legal Liability Insurance

Recommendation: Recommendation was made to approve the legal liability insurance from ASBA.

Motion: A motion was made by Miller with a second by Hall.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous

Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried

D. Consider School Choice Application of 2 students.

Recommendation: Recommendation was made to accept the application of 2 students.

Motion: A motion was made by Coffman with a second by Smith to approve the 2 School Choice applications.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous

Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried

E. Consider Financial Reports

Recommendation: Superintendent Gultner recommended the approval of the Financial Reports

Motion: A motion was made by Coffman with a second by Miller to accept the Financial Reports.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous

Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried

V. MISCELLANEOUS

A. February Board Meeting – Tuesday, February 17, 2026

B. January is School Board Member Recognition Month

C. Statement of Financial Interest due January 31, 2026

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn: Motion made by Smith and seconded by Hall. **Time of Adjournment:** 7:02pm.

Secretary