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SALEM SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES SALEM SCHOOL DISTRICT FEBRUARY 17, 2026

The Board of Education of the Salem School District #30, State of Arkansas, met in regular session Tuesday, February 17, 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, Hall and Yarnell

Absent: None

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

II. REPORTS

- A. Student Recognition – Mr. Curtis
- B. Academic Reporting – Academic Testing – Mr. Guiltner
- C. Report on Arkansas Game and Fish Grant – Mr. Guiltner
- D. Report on Off Site Audit – Mr. Guiltner
- E. Report on CACFP Federal Financial Review – Mr. Guiltner

III. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Board Minutes
 - 1. January 20, 2026

January 20th Meeting: The minutes were reviewed. **Motion:** A motion was made by Smith with a second by Miller 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 6:09pm.
The Board Returned to Open Session at 6:53pm.

- B. Consider Employment 2026-2027 school year

- a. Consider contracts for the leadership team: David Turnbough, Federal Programs Coordinator, Lindsey Wiseman, Elementary Principal, Cody Curtis, High School Principal.

Recommendation: As the result of executive session, recommendation was made to extend contracts for David Turnbough, Lindsey Wiseman and Cody Curtis for one year. This makes contract valid through June 2027.

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

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous
Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried

b. A letter of resignation from Mike Freeman, grounds and custodian, was read by Superintendent Gultner.
Recommendation: A recommendation was made to accept Mike Freeman's resignation effective June 30, 2026.
Motion: A motion was made by Smith with a second by Miller.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous
Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried

c. A letter of resignation from Rian Puckett, Head Boys Basketball, Jr High Track and Teacher, was read by Superintendent Gultner.
Recommendation: Recommendation was made to accept Rian Puckett's resignation effective June 30, 2026.
Motion: A motion was made by Hall with a second by Smith.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous
Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried

C. Consider School Choice Application of Three (3) students.
Recommendation: Recommendation was made to accept the application of three (3) students.
Motion: A motion was made by Miller with a second by Coffman to approve the three (3) School Choice applications.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous
Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried

D. Consider Technology Purchase – 3 bids were read
Recommendation: Recommendation was made to accept the lowest price per unit bid from White River Services & Solutions for \$24,000.00.
Motion: A motion was made by Hall with a second by Miller.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous
Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried

E. Superintendent Gultner advised that the district would be seeking quotes for concession stand improvements including new kitchen equipment and a suppression system.

F. Consider Financial Reports
Recommendation: Recommendation was made to approve the Financial Reports
Motion: A motion was made by Coffman with a second by Smith to accept the Financial Reports.

The Chairman called for discussion.

Yeas: Unanimous
Nays: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried

V. MISCELLANEOUS

A. School will be closed tomorrow, February 18, 2026 for the funeral of longtime librarian Vicki Ragan.
B. The district is exploring a program involving a nurse practitioner to provide on-site consultations and prescriptions for employees.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn: Motion made by Miller and seconded by Hall. **Time of Adjournment:** 7:04pm.

Secretary