SALEM SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES SALEM SCHOOL DISTRICT June 23, 2009

The Board of Education of the Salem School District #30, state of Arkansas, met in regular session on Tuesday, June 23, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. in the boardroom on the high school campus. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Falco.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Falco, Coffman, Abney, and Yarnell

Absent: Koelling

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

The minutes from the May 18, 2009 regular meeting were reviewed. Abney made the motion, second by Yarnell, to approve the minutes as written. The Vice-Chairman called for discussion. Passed.

Superintendent Ken Rich presented the 2010-2011 proposed budget for board consideration and gave the recommendation to approve the attached document. Yarnell made the motion, second by Abney, to approve the proposed budget as recommended. The Vice-Chairman called for discussion. Passed.

Superintendent Rich presented the property and vehicle insurance premium for the 2009-10 school year and recommended the board to approve the coverage through the Arkansas School Board Association. Coffman made the motion, second by Yarnell, to obtain property and vehicle coverage through the ASBA as recommended. The Vice-Chairman called for discussion. Passed.

The superintendent informed the board of a change in the food service renewal agreement that called for adult breakfast pricing to increase to \$1.05, a five cent increase as to what was originally planned, per state price requirements. Abney made the motion, second by Yarnell, to increase the price of adult breakfasts to \$1.05 for the upcoming school year. The Vice-Chairman called for discussion. Passed.

Superintendent Rich presented areas of program with budgets (attached) for application in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act which was approved by the board.

Next changes in board policy were presented for adoption based on the Arkansas model policies for the upcoming school year. Abney made the motion, second by Yarnell to adopt the changes in board policy. The Vice-Chairman called for discussion. Passed.

The changes made to school handbooks for the upcoming school year was considered and presented by David Turnbough for both schools (attached). Yarnell made the motion, second by Coffman, to adopt the handbook changes as presented. The Vice-Chairman called for discussion. Passed.

Superintendent Ken Rich presented an amendment to the school calendar for the 2009-10 school year with the state required addition of five non-membership days built in to the calendar in case of inclement weather. Coffman made the motion to adopt the amended calendar for the 2009-2010 school term as presented (attached). The Vice-Chairman called for discussion. Passed.

Due to personnel resignations, the board retired into executive session at 6:05 p.m.

The board returned to open session at 6:45 p.m. Chairman Koelling joined the meeting at this time. Superintendent Rich read a letter of resignation from bus driver Bruce Sprenkel at the end of the 2008/09 school year and gave the recommendation for acceptance. Abney made the motion, second by Coffman, to accept the resignation as recommended. The Chairman called for discussion. Passed.

Supt. Rich read a letter of resignation from elementary teacher Mylet Trotter and gave the recommendation to the board for acceptance. Yarnell made the motion, second by Abney, to accept the resignation as stated. The Chairman called for discussion. Passed.

To fill the elementary position Superintendent Rich recommended to hire Kristen Hyslip as a second grade teacher and to move Tiffany Fish from second to sixth grade. Coffman made the motion, second by Yarnell to employ Kristen Hyslip for the 2009-2010 school year and move Tiffany Fish as recommended. The Chairman called for discussion. Passed.

Superintendent Rich recommended the hire of Wendall Smith as a bus driver and as supervisor for the youth shooting sport program for the 2009-2010 year. Abney made the motion, second by Falco, to hire Wendall Smith as recommended. The Chairman called for discussion. Passed.

Supt. Rich also recommended the hire of Luke Barker as a bus driver for the 2009-2010 year. Yarnell made the motion, second by Coffman, to extend a contract to Luke Barker as recommended. Passed.

Supt. Rich gave the recommendation to hire Amy Sanders as cross country coach for the 2009-2010 year. Coffman made the motion, second by Abney, to hire Amy Sanders as cross country coach as recommended. The Chairman called for discussion. Passed.

Superintendent Rich recommended the employment of Shaun Windsor as Technology Coordinator for the district for the 2009-2010 year. Yarnell made the motion, second by Falco, to hire Shaun Windsor as recommended. The Chairman called for discussion. Passed.

Student recognitions were presented. The FFA chapter was presented with a National Chapter Award as one of the top five in the state. The Parliamentary Procedure team placed third in state and the opening/closing team placed fourth. Forty-five eleventh graders took the ACT exam and fell just below the state average with every student attempting the exam.

The financial reports were reviewed.

Superintendent Rich noted that July 1, 2009 is the deadline for School Choice applications from students.

Coffman made the motion to adjourn, with a second by Abney. The Chairman called for discussion. Passed.

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.