

SALEM SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
SALEM SCHOOL DISTRICT
September 21, 2009

The Board of Education of the Salem School District #30, state of Arkansas, met in regular session on Monday, September 21, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School cafeteria on the high school campus. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Koelling.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Coffman, Yarnell, Koelling, and Abney

Absent: Falco

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

The minutes from the August 17, 2009 regular meeting were reviewed. Yarnell made the motion second by Abney, to approve the minutes as written. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The minutes from the August 28, 2009 called meeting were reviewed. Abney 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 was the annual report to the public. Superintendent Ken Rich welcomed those in attendance and reported that the school district is fully accredited by the Arkansas Department of Education and the North Central Association. He also noted that the district met Adequate Yearly Progress in all areas as required by No Child Left Behind legislation. Superintendent Rich reported that current enrollment for the district was 757 students. Rich also reported on personnel changes for the 2009-10 school-year, the condition of school district facilities, parental involvement, and vending revenue and expenditures. He also reported on the status of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds. Rich concluded by discussing the school district goals, which are included in the school district's Arkansas Consolidated School Improvement Plan(ACSIP).

Elementary principal David Turnbough reported an enrollment of 406 students, gave updates on curriculum, student achievement, federal programs, stated goals for the year, and noted that the annual Grandparent's Breakfast would be held on October 2, 2009 and parent/teacher conferences would be on October 20, 2009.

High school principal Wayne Guiltner reported an enrollment of 351 students, gave updates on curriculum, student achievement, federal programs, the Children's Internet Protection Act, stated goals for the year and noted the date of October 20, 2009 for parent/teacher conferences.

Superintendent Rich gave an overview of the district's Gifted and Talented program. Comments from the patrons attending the meeting were taken.

Next was the consideration of the 2009-2010 budget. On a recommendation from the superintendent to approve the budget for the year, Coffman made the motion, second by Yarnell. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Superintendent Rich gave the recommendation to approve the Special Education Application and budget for 2009-2010. Abney made the motion, second by Yarnell to approve the budget as recommended. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Next the ACSIP for 2009-2010 was considered. Superintendent Rich recommended to approve the Arkansas Comprehensive School Improvement Plan and Statement of Assurances for the district. Yarnell made the motion, second by Abney to approve the district's ACSIP as recommended. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Superintendent Rich announced the upcoming trainings for board members would be held on September 28 and November 19 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the high school's distance learning lab.

The superintendent updated board members on the physical education/fine arts building project.

A student transfer petition was presented from Salem to the Highland district with a recommendation of acceptance from the superintendent. Coffman made the motion, second by Yarnell to accept the transfer as recommended (attached). The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The financial reports were reviewed.

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

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Secretary