

SALEM SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
SALEM SCHOOL DISTRICT
October 19, 2009

The Board of Education of the Salem School District #30, state of Arkansas, met in regular session on Monday, October 19, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the boardroom on the high school campus. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Koelling.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Coffman, Yarnell, Koelling, Falco, and Abney

Absent: None

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

The minutes from the September 21, 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 first item of business was the reorganization of the board. Coffman nominated Wanda Koelling for re-election as board president. Falco made the motion, second by Yarnell to re-elect Koelling as president. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Yarnell nominated Karen Coffman for the position of Vice-President. Abney made the motion, second by Falco to elect Coffman as board vice-president. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Falco made the nomination of Barry Abney as board secretary. Coffman made the motion, second by Falco to elect Abney to the board secretary position. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Next was the appointment of the board disbursing officer. Falco nominated Wanda Koelling to continue in the position for the upcoming year. Coffman made the motion, second by Yarnell for Koelling to remain as the board disbursing officer. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Superintendent Ken Rich presented the 2009/2010 Equity Compliance Report and gave the recommendation for approval. Coffman made the motion second by Yarnell to approve the report as recommended. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Superintendent Rich recommended the renewal of the ASBA Accidental Death & Dismemberment Business trip insurance for school employees and board members. Abney made the motion, second by Coffman to renew the insurance coverage as recommended. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

The 2007/08 Audit Report was presented to the board. Superintendent Rich reported a very good audit for the year noting one area being addressed for segregation of duties. He reported that more duties were being separated to involve multiple employees being involved in specific tasks to correct this deficiency to ensure adequate controls and accountability.

The new AR Challenge Scholarship requirements and procedures being funded by the state's lottery were discussed by Superintendent Rich and high school principal Wayne Gultner.

Superintendent Rich gave board members an update on the physical education/fine arts facility. He presented plans from the architect to be submitted to the state for approval. Superintendent Rich also informed board members of two options available to provide sewer service to the new building. He stated that plan options details and pricing would be available soon.

The superintendent presented sample pictures for a new patron communication sign to be funded by ARRA stabilization funds. Discussions were held on size, styles, pixel resolution, and color. It was decided that the district would take bids on a 4 ft. by 10 ft. monochrome LED sign. Superintendent Rich will develop a specification sheet to take bids on this project.

A student transfer request from Highland to Salem was considered and with a recommendation for approval from Superintendent Rich, Coffman made the motion, second by Abney to approve the transfer as requested. 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 by Yarnell, second by Coffman. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Principal of the high school, Wayne Guiltner informed board members of FFA members recognition at the recent district fair competition events.

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

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Secretary

