

**SALEM SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES**  
**SALEM SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**May 19, 2011**

The Board of Education of the Salem School District #30, state of Arkansas, met in regular session on Thursday, May 19, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. in the boardroom on the high school campus. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Coffman.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Koelling, Smith, and Coffman

Absent: Yarnell and Abney

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

The minutes from the April 18, 2011 regular meeting were reviewed. Smith made the motion second by Koelling to approve the minutes as written. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Superintendent Ken Rich presented the 2010/2011 Accreditation Report and stated that both schools are fully accredited.

Abney joined the meeting at 5:03 p.m.

Superintendent Rich presented the district's report card showing various stats of student exams and performance, ACT scores, school ratings, adequate yearly progress and much other information. He noted that the report card will be published in the local newspaper and on the district's website in the next few weeks.

Yarnell joined the meeting at 5:04 p.m.

A student transfer request from the Highland district was considered and recommended to be effective for the 2011/2012 school year since only four days remain in the current year. Yarnell made the motion, second by Koelling to accept the transfer effective for the 2011/2012 school year (attached). The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Bids for asphalt were opened and reviewed. Two bids were received from AryInd Mallett Excavating and Trico. After discussion, the superintendent recommended both bids be rejected. A list of references will be obtained from both companies. The district will reconsider options available after references are submitted. Abney made the motion, second by Koelling to reject both asphalt bids as recommended. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Consideration for architect for the re-roofing of the high school physical education/gymnasium was given. Superintendent Rich gave a recommendation to hire Rex Morris of Morris & Associates as architect for this facilities partnership project. Koelling made the motion, second by Smith to hire Rex Morris as recommended. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Superintendent Rich also recommended to hire Traco Construction as contractor on the re-roof partnership project as the company has been contracted for previous retro-fit roofing by the district and is listed an approved vendor for retro-fit roofing in accordance with the TIPS/TAPS program. The bid projection is stated at a cost of approximately \$6 - \$7 / square foot. Abney made the motion, second by Koelling to accept the recommendation to hire Traco Construction as contractor for the noted project as stated. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

High school principal Wayne Guiltner noted several student recognitions. He congratulated Courtney Falco on her six state track championships and announced she would be a walk-on for the University of Arkansas track team in the fall. He noted the accomplishments of several tenth graders on their performance scores on a recent ACT test. He also congratulated all of the coaching staff and players for the softball and baseball teams for their highly successful playing seasons.

Elementary principal Corey Johnson recognized the efforts of Bob Maguffee and Lisa Hurtt for their assistance with forty-one elementary students qualifying for the distinction of obtaining the Presidential Physical Fitness awards. He also thanked the students and parents for all their hard work and efforts displayed during testing weeks at the school.

The Superintendent advised the board of a resignation of personnel. The board went into executive session at 5:25 p.m.

The board returned to open session at 5:40 p.m. and as a result, Superintendent Rich read a letter of resignation from Brenda Guffey (attached) stating her intention to retire at the end of the present school year and gave a recommendation of acceptance. Koelling made the motion, second by Abney to accept the resignation as requested. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Superintendent Rich gave the recommendation to hire Crystal Newberry to replace the position vacated by Brenda Guffey for the 2011/12 school year. Yarnell made the motion, second by Smith to employ Crystal Newberry as recommended. 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 Koelling seconded by Abney. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous  
NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Koelling made the motion to adjourn with a second by Yarnell. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous  
NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

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Secretary