

SALEM SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
SALEM SCHOOL DISTRICT
September 15, 2014

The Board of Education of the Salem School District #30, state of Arkansas, met in regular session on Monday, September 15, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the boardroom on the high school campus. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Coffman.

ROLL CALL:

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

Absent: None

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

The minutes from the August 18, 2014 regular meeting were reviewed. Koelling 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.

Superintendent Rich made the recommendation of May 14, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. for high school graduation. The motion was made by Abney and second by Yarnell to approve date of graduation. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Superintendent Rich informed the board of the school board member training schedule. Each member must complete 6 hours of training. The two training dates that are set is October 16, 2014 and October 23, 2014 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Mr. Rich will check into alternate dates.

The Office of Education Policy Award has been awarded to Salem Elementary for being in the top 25 schools in literacy and math. Salem Elementary tied for 24th place in math and 21st place in literacy. 94% of students passed with an average GPA of 3.62. Mr. Johnson commended staff, students, and community for a job well done.

Mr. Rich reported on HVAC project stating that the elementary is nearing completion. All units are in place, they are finishing duct work and electrical work. Saturday, September 20, 2014 is the date that has been set to switch over to the new system. Hopefully everything will be running smoothly within two weeks. The high school is still working on ductwork and electrical and all seems to be going well.

Mr. Rich spoke with the board regarding the Band Hall Renovation Project. When we filed for the partnership funding it was a three part project. HVAC – Elementary, HVAC – High School, and Band Hall Renovation. Rich asked the board to grant permission to have an architect proceed with plans on band hall, providing the millage conversion passes. Koelling

made the motion with a second by Smith to allow architect to proceed with work on band hall. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Guiltner recognized students from band. The Band had twelve junior and senior band members recently competed for membership in the Arkansas School Band & Orchestra South Region Orchestra on Sept 13, 2014. The students performed well. Seven of the students were selected to play with the region Orchestra and will perform in Conway on Sept. 19-20. He also recognized the golf teams. The girls have won every match they have been in this year. They are the winners of the Cougar Invitational & White River Carnival Invitational. The Boys won their last match. Salem School will be hosting the district and state matches at Turkey Mountain.

The financial reports were received, reviewed and accepted on a motion by Abney and second by Smith. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Superintendent Rich recommended to the board to change Luke Barker's bus route from short to long route. Koelling made the motion and was seconded by Yarnell to make change as recommended. The Chairman called for discussion.

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Rich announced that there would be a flu shot clinic at the school on October 17, 2014.

The announcement was made that Grandparents Breakfast had been moved to October 10, 2014.

Mr. Rich congratulated Rob Long for being named Educator of the Year by the Salem Chamber of Commerce. He will be recognized at the Chamber banquet October 7, 2014 @ 6:00 p.m.

The annual report to the public will be held October 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

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

YEAS: Unanimous

NAYS: None

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Secretary