



Board of Education

Minutes of Regular School Board Meeting
The Board of Education

A Regular School Board Meeting of the Board of Education of Fort Smith Public Schools was held March 26, 2018, beginning at 5:30 PM in the Service Center, Bldg B.

Ms. Susan McFerran, president, called the meeting to order. Other board members present were Mr. Greg Magness, Ms. Yvonne Keaton-Martin, Ms. Jeannie Cole, Ms. Talicia Richardson, Mr. Wade Gilkey and Mr. Bill Hanesworth. Dr. Doug Brubaker, Superintendent, Dr. Terry Morawski, Chief Operations Officer, Dr. Barry Owen, Chief Academic Officer, Mr. Charles Warren, Chief Financial Officer, Ms. Zena Featherston Marshall, Executive Director of Communication and Community Partnerships, Mr. Martin Mahan, Executive Director of Human Resources, Mr. Darian Layes, Executive Director of Student Services and Ms. Nadine Brooks, Secretary to the Superintendent were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Mr. Charles Warren gave the Invocation.

Ms. McFerran read the mission statement.

The consent agenda included the minutes of the February Regular School Board Meeting, the February Financial Report, and March Student Services Report. Ms. Jeannie Cole made a motion, seconded by Ms. Yvonne Keaton-Martin, to approve the consent agenda as presented. The vote passed 7/0.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Brubaker yielded to Mr. Mahan to present the professional staff recommendations.

Professional Staff Recommendations

Resignations

Meyers, Sherrie
Miller, Angela
Michelle Jones
Jones, Jeff
Jacobs, Kala

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Retirements

Seavey, Anne
Boone, Susan
Sadler, Charles

Mr. Bill Hanesworth made a motion, seconded by Ms. Jeannie Cole, to approve the resignations and retirements.. The vote passed 7/0.

There were no recommendations for employment or leaves of absence.

Recognitions

Dr. Brubaker, Ms. Susan McFerran and Ms. Talicia Richardson recognized the following students.

March Superintendent Star Awards: Raven Gaines, fifth-grader at Sutton Elementary, Jeremiah Guardado, fifth grader at Carnall Elementary, Solomon Henry, kindergartner at Cook Elementary, Winson Huang, second-grader at Woods Elementary, Emily Earls, third-grader at Morrison Elementary, Ruby Perez, sixth-grader at Spradling Elementary, James Riche', fifth-grader at Euper Lane Elementary, Cordell Whitfield, fifth-grader at Trusty Elementary,

Southside Drama attended the 2018 Thespian Festival in Paragould, Arkansas in February. Claire Birkhead earned "Best in Show" for Stage Management, Addison Clamser received a superior ranking in Solo Musical, Florian Fleming earned first place in Props Shift. Mallory Koenigseder earned first place in the Props Shift Best and Best in Show in Lighting Design. She also was awarded the Educational Theater Association Theater College Scholarship. Amy Pumphrey is the advisor.

All State Band, Choir and Orchestra: Shianne Honeycutt earned First Chair in Soprano 1 in the All State Mixed Chorus. Scott Nevenhoven earned First Chair Euphonium in the All State Wind Symphony, and Hunter Martin earned First Chair Jazz Trombone in the All State Jazz Band.

Southside Senior Andrew Swaim was one of the 100 nationally selected students to the John Philip Sousa National Honor Band. Andrew Swaim will participate in Boston in June.

Chaffin Quiz Bowl Gold Team: Arkansas Quiz Bowl Championship Team members include: Leyton Elmore, Haris Rana (Ar-is Raw-nuh), Jack Minnick, Anna Claire Tilley, Sam Hannson, Nabila (Nuh-bee-la) Siddiqui (See-d-e-k-e), Alex Rahal (Raw-hall), Tyler Lewis, Slate Stanton, Mackenzie Crowson, and Jackson Messenger. 8th Grader, Vivian Apple, was named the MVP All Tournament and Jackson Wollscheid was the Top Scoring All Star in the Blue Division. Haris Rana won MVP All Tournament and Jack Minnick won Top Scoring All Star in the Red Division. Sponsors are Amy Markham, Autumn Minnick and Logan Hoopes.

Tyler Sexton, was recognized for his selection to the ACDA Honor Choir.

Northside High School's Grizzly Gear earned Gold Level Certification by DECA for the sixth consecutive year. Emily Craig, Carissa Crawford and Sawyer Eddins distinguished themselves in a growing line of successful Grizzly Gear entrepreneurs. Advisors are Melinda Briscoe, Jenny Craig and CeeCee Hamilton.

Thai Ta, Southside Maverick senior won the state high school wrestling tournament in the 106 lb. weight class against the top seed in his division. His coach is Shawn Hamilton.

Southside High School Bowling team won the 6A/7A state Bowling Championship. Team members are Hunter Humphries, Braeden Myers, Colby Harger, Hunter Salisbury, Nathan Barrie and Noah Taylor. Hunter Humphries was named as the Gold Medalist of the Tournament. Their coach is Tadd Stewart.

Kimmons Junior High Boys Basketball team won the 2018 7A West Regional Basketball Tournament. This is the highest honor a junior high sports team can win. Team members include: Derius (dare-ee-us) Wise, Dreyden (dray-den) Norwood, Tyheen (tie-heen) Prosize (pro-cease), Amare (uh-mar-ee) Harris, Tylek (tie-leek) Jacobs, Keante (Key-on-tay) Harris Rose, Denarion (dee-nair-ian) Whitmore, Jordan White, Va'Sean Bishop, Avonte (uh-von-tee) Tucker, Jacob Joe, Zaqarre (zuh-car-ee) Relford and Sundquist Church. Managers are Jayden Dilworth, Mason Nichols, Davion Hinkle (day-vee-on) and Ryan Washburn. The team is coached by Matt Mondier and Donnie Eveld. Va' Sean and Sundquist were named to the all-tournament team, and Avonte was named the MVP of the tournament.

Will Robinson and Wyatt Robinson won first place in the Statewide Public Service Announcement Video Contest sponsored by Arkansas Association of Career and Technical Education (ACTE). Their video promoted career and technical education and the organization's "Skills Matter" theme. ACTE will award Will and Wyatt with \$500 for their first place entry. Additionally, Wyatt was selected as the 2018 ACTE Business Division scholarship winner and will receive a \$500 scholarship. Kelley Todd is their sponsor and will receive a free teacher registration to the 2018 Arkansas ACTE Summer Conference.

Northside High School's Kaylee Cano logged the Highest Score Arkansas on her MicroSoft Excel Certification test and has qualified to participate in National MicroSoft Office Certification testing. Her teacher is Linda Holland.

Taneka Tate, principal at Carnall Elementary, Ed Hansen, assistant principal at Tilles Elementary and Courtney Morawski, principal at Cook Elementary were recognized for having completed all necessary requirements toward their doctoral degrees in Education.

REVISED ETHICS DISCLOSURE RULES

Mr. Warren reported that in February of 2018, the Arkansas Department of Education (ADE) released Commissioner's Memo COM-18-059 stating that ADE has reevaluated the underlying statutes to determine that household members of the employee are not subject to these ethics disclosure rules. Therefore, only employees with a personal, direct financial interest require disclosure to the school board and (for contracts over \$10,000) to ADE.

The Administration will continue to monitor contract disclosure statements for all employees and present applicable disclosures for board approval in accordance with the revised ruling.

Mr. Warren stated that this is for informational purposes only and needs no action.

ETHICS DISCLOSURE

Mr. Warren reported that Stacey Glover, employee, has requested her business be approved to transact with the District. Mr. Warren read the employee and business name aloud: Stacy, Glover, Shirts Gettin Real as required by law. He referred to the supporting resolution, and contract disclosure form and statement. The recommendation was that the Board approve the disclosure as presented.

Ms. Richardson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Greg Magness, to approve the ethics disclosure presented. The vote passed 7/0.

BOARD MEMBERS FORUM

Ms. Jeannie reported that the Annual State PTA Conference will be held on April 27 in Fort Smith. She reported on the history and importance of parent involvement in the schools.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

Ms. Autumn Minnick, Vision 2023 and Citizens Committee member spoke about the importance of the upcoming millage vote. She encouraged citizens to visit the FSPS website to review information about the upcoming millage proposal

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ADJOURN

There was no further business and the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Susan McFerran, President

Yvonne Keaton-Martin, Secretary