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Covenant Keepers December 2018: Renewal Application

1. Board of Directors

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-13-608

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-13-615

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-13-616

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-13-619(c) and (d)

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-13-621

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-13-628

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-13-630

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-13-631

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-13-632

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-13-634

Legal Comments: No waiver of Ark. Code Ann. § 6-13-619(c) or (d) is necessary as the law specifically allows for the board to adopt a policy permitting a member of the board who is unable to be physically present at a meeting to attend the meeting remotely. No waiver of Ark. Code Ann. §§ 6-13-616(b) or Ark. Code Ann. § 6-13-632 is necessary. An additional waiver of Ark. Code Ann. § 6-13-611 and 612(c) may be necessary.

Applicant Responses:

Board of Directors: Applicant wishes to retain its waiver of Ark. Code Ann. § 6-13-619 (c) and (d). Applicant requests waivers of Ark. Code Ann. §§ 6-13-611 and 6-13-612(c).

Applicant wishes to rescind its waivers of Ark. Code Ann. §§ 6-13-616(b) and 6-13-632.

2. Business Manager

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-2302

Legal Comments: In order to effectuate this waiver, waiver of Sections 4.01, 4.02, 4.04-07, and 5.0 of the ADE Rules Governing Minimum Qualifications for General Business Managers of Public School Districts is necessary.

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Business Manager: In order to effectuate this waiver, Applicant requests waivers of Sections 4.01, 4.02, 4.04-07, and 5.0 of the ADE Rules Governing Minimum Qualifications for General Business Managers of Public School Districts.

3. Credit Hours

Standards for Accreditation, Section 14.03

Legal Comments: In the Standards for Accreditation waiver transition, the Applicant was mapped over to a waiver of the new Standards, Section 1-A.2.

4. Duty-Free Lunch

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-111

Legal Comments: None.

5. Employee Dismissal

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-1501 et seq.

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-1701 et seq.

Legal Comments: None.

6. Facilities

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-20-1401

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-20-1406

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-20-1407

Legal Comments: No waiver of Ark. Code Ann. § 6-20-1401 is necessary. Ark. Code Ann. § 6-20-1406 has been repealed.

Applicant Responses:

Facilities: Applicant wishes to rescind its waivers of Ark. Code Ann. §§ 6-20-1401 and 1406.

7. Flexible Schedule

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Ark. Code Ann. § 6-10-106

Legal Comments: None.

8. Gifted and Talented

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-20-2208(c)(6)

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-42-101 et seq.

ADE Rules Governing Gifted and Talented Program Approval Standards

Standard for Accreditation, Section 18.00

Legal Comments: Applicant needs a waiver under the new Standards for Accreditation, Section 2-G.1. Only a waiver of Ark. Code Ann. § 6-42-109 is necessary.

Applicant Responses:

Gifted and Talented: Applicant requests a waiver of Section 2-G.1 of the ADE Standards for Accreditation Rules. Applicant wishes to amend its waiver of Ark. Code Ann. § 6-42-101 et seq. to § 6-42-109.

9. Guidance and Counseling

Standards for Accreditation, Section 16.01

Legal Comments: In the Standards for Accreditation waiver transition, the Applicant was mapped over to a waiver of the new Standards, Section 2-C.2. Applicant may need an additional waiver of the new Standards for Accreditation, Section 4-E.2.

Applicant Responses:

Guidance and Counseling. Applicant requests a waiver of Section 4-E.2 of the ADE Standards for Accreditation Rules.

10. Health and Safety

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-18-706

Standards for Accreditation, Section 16.03

Legal Comments: None. In the Standards for Accreditation waiver transition, the Applicant was mapped over to a waiver of the new Standards, Sections 4-E.1, 4-E.2, and 6-A.2.

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11. Library Media

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-25-103

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-25-104

Standards for Accreditation, Section 16.02

Legal Comments: Under the new Standard for Accreditation, Applicant may need waivers of 4-F.2 and 2-D.1.

Applicant Responses:

Library Media: Applicant requests waivers of Sections 2-D.1 and 4-F.2 of the ADE Standards for Accreditation Rules.

12. Personnel

Standards for Accreditation, Section 15.00

Legal Comments: None. In the Standards for Accreditation waiver transition, the Applicant was mapped over to a waiver of the new Standards, Sections 4-B.1 (full-time superintendent), 4-B.2 (superintendent licensure), 4-C.1 (full-time principal), 4-C.2 (principal licensure), 4-D.1 (teacher licensure), 4-E.1 (guidance counselor licensure), 4-F.1 (library media licensure), and 4-G.1 (professional development).

13. Personnel Policies

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-203

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-2301 et seq.

Legal Comments: Applicant should confirm whether it needs additional waiver of Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-201 et seq. Additional waivers of Sections 6-8 of the ADE Rules Governing School District Requirements for Personnel Policies, Salary Schedules, Minimum Salaries, and Documents Posted to District Websites are necessary to effectuate this waiver.

Applicant Responses:

Personnel Policies: Applicant requests waivers of Ark. Code Ann. §6-17-201 et seq. and Sections 6-8 of the ADE Rules Governing School District Requirements for Personnel Policies, Salary Schedules, Minimum Salaries, and Documents Posted to District Websites.

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14. Planning Periods

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-114

Legal Comments: None.

15. Principal

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-302

Legal Comments: Only a waiver of Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-302(a) is necessary.

Applicant Responses:

Principal: Applicant wishes to amend its waiver of Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-302 to § 6-17-302(a).

16. Salaries/Compensation

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-1001

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-2201 et seq.

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-2401 et seq.

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-980

Legal Comments: Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-1001 has been repealed. Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-980 does not exist. I believe the applicant meant Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-908, but need clarification. Additional waivers of the ADE Rules Governing School District Requirements for Personnel Policies, Salary Schedules, Minimum Salaries, and Documents Posted to District Websites are necessary to effectuate this waiver.

Applicant Responses:

Salaries/Compensation: Applicant requests waivers of Ark. Code Ann. §6-17-908, and Sections 4-8 of the ADE Rules Governing School District Requirements for Personnel Policies, Salary Schedules, Minimum Salaries, and Documents Posted to District Websites. Applicant wishes to rescind its waiver of Ark. Code Ann. §6-17-1001.

17. School Elections

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-14-101 et seq.

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Legal Comments: None.

18. Student Services

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-18-1001 et seq.

ADE Rules Governing Public School Student Services

Legal Comments: None.

19. Substitute Teachers

ADE Rules Governing Waivers for Substitute Teachers

Legal Comments: These Rules have been repealed.

Applicant Responses:

Substitute Teachers: Applicant wishes to rescind its waiver of the ADE Rules Governing Waivers for Substitute Teachers.

20. Teacher Licensure

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-15-1004

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-201 et seq.

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-309

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-401

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-418

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-902

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-919

ADE Rules Governing Parental Notification of an Assignment of a Non-Licensed Teacher to Teach a Class for More than Thirty (30) Consecutive Days

Standards for Accreditation, Section 15.03

Legal Comments: Only a waiver of Ark. Code Ann. § 6-15-1004(a) is necessary. The ADE Rules Governing Parental Notification of an Assignment of a Non-Licensed Teacher have been repealed. Under the new Standards for Accreditation, the Applicant was granted a

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waiver of 4-D.1. Additional waivers of the ADE Rules Governing School District Requirements for Personnel Policies, Salary Schedules, Minimum Salaries, and Documents Posted to District Websites may be necessary to effectuate this waiver.

Applicant Responses:

Teacher Licensure: Applicant requests a waiver of the ADE Rules Governing School District Requirements for Personnel Policies, Salary Schedules, Minimum Salaries, and Documents Posted to District Websites. Applicant wishes to amend its waiver of Ark. Code Ann. § 6-15-1004 to § 6-15-1004(a). Applicant wishes to rescind its waiver of the ADE Rules Governing Parental Notification of an Assignment of a Non-Licensed Teacher to Teach a Class for More than Thirty (30) Consecutive Days.

Legal Comments: After further review, waiver of Ark. Code Ann. § 6-15-1004 is necessary.

21. Alternative Learning Environment

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-15-1005(b)(5)

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-18-503(a)(1)(C)(i)

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-48-101 et seq.

ADE Rules Governing the Distribution of Student Special Needs Funds, Section 4.00

Standards for Accreditation, Section 2-I.1

Legal Comments: Applicant also needs a waiver of Section 4.10 of the ADE Guidelines for the Development, Review and Revision of School District Student Discipline and School Safety Policies.

Applicant Responses:

Alternative Learning Environment: Applicant requests a waiver of Section 4.10 of the ADE Guidelines for the Development, Review and Revision of School District Student Discipline and School Safety Policies.

Desegregation Analysis: Fully responsive