



Act 1240 Waiver Extension Request

District Name: Mountain Pine School District

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List the waivers to be extended.

Waiver Topic	Standard(s) for Accreditation	Division Rule(s)	Arkansas Statute(s)	Duration Requested	Name of Open Enrollment Charter Holding Waiver
Library Media Specialist	4-F.1		6-25-104(a)	March 1, 2020 – June 30, 2020	Arkansas Connections Academy

The proposed waiver(s) will apply to the following schools:

Schools	Grades	Specific Classes (if applicable)
Mountain Pine High School	7-12	

1. Explain the benefit of the waiver(s) for students, staff, the district, the community or the State.

The district currently has a waiver for library media specialist licensure that will expire on March 8, 2021. An extension of the waiver is needed to finish the school year. The district has a current staff member that will be licensed as a library media specialist by July 1.

2. Provide a detailed rationale explaining how the waivers will enhance student learning opportunities, promote innovation, or increase equitable access to effective teachers.

The waiver will allow students access to the high school library at all times, with a trained paraprofessional that will be available to answer any technology questions, give locations of resources and materials, check out books, monitor the inventory of Chromebooks and other resources and she offers programs throughout the year to engage students in reading. The paraprofessional has been working under the guidance of the elementary media specialist.

3. Provide a detailed explanation of how students will be served.

Currently, there is a full-time paraprofessional in the library that provides access to the high school library at all times, is available to answer any technology questions, give locations of resources and materials, check out books, monitor the inventory of Chromebooks and other resources and offers programs throughout the year to engage students in reading (Date with a Book, Banned Books Week, etc.). The paraprofessional has been working under the guidance of the elementary media specialist.

4. Provide a detailed explanation of how the district will evaluate the effectiveness of the waiver.

The district will evaluate the effectiveness of the ten week waiver extension by increased student participation in library activities, the amount of books/materials checked out and a survey of library access completed by both students and teachers.

The following documentation must be submitted with the waiver extension request:

- 1. Evidence of the local school board's approval of the waiver extension request(s)**
- 2. Evidence of support from district staff for the continuation of the waiver(s)**

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MOUNTAIN PINE SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING September 21, 2020

The Mountain Pine School Board of Directors met Monday, September 21, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. for the regular scheduled meeting. Members present: President Tom Gould, Vice President Clayton Miller, Board Secretary Michael Palmer and Board Member Jennifer Walker. Shawn Blees absent.

President Tom Gould called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Michael Palmer opened in prayer.

Jennifer Walker made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda for August. Clayton Miller seconded the motion. All for 4-0.

Annual Report to the Public presentations given by Toby Crosby- High School Principal, Lisa Engebretson- Elementary Principal, Shelley Applegate-SPED, Dana Janush-Federal Coordinator, Denise Taylor-Smith-Curriculum and James Galarza-Athletic Director.

Superintendent Bobby Applegate gave update on student count 618. Roof project will cost \$213,000 our portion will be \$126,031.

Michael Palmer made a motion to contract with First Step of Arkansas for student services for 2020-21 school year. Jennifer Walker seconded the motion. All for 4-0

Clayton Miller made a motion to retire fixed asset: 9-7-16, 1994 Ford Taurus 1FALP57U7RAL82954 which was sold on 11-30-13 for \$280.00 receipt #1262. Jennifer Walker seconded the motion. All for 4-0

Clayton Miller made the motion to approve ASBA policies 3.32.1 LICENSED PERSONNEL COVID EMERGENCY LEAVE and 8.23.1 CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL COVID EMERGENCY LEAVE. Jennifer Walker seconded the motion. All for 4-0

Michael Palmer made the motion to approve the Minority and Administrator and teacher report as presented by Dana Janush-Federal Programs Director. Jennifer Walker seconded the motion. All for 4-0

Jennifer Walker made the motion to approve Denise Taylor as Point of Contact and the job duties. Michael Palmer seconded the motion. All for 4-0

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Michael Palmer made the motion to accept the resignation of Lilian Alvarenga-Coto for custodian as of 9-9-20. Clayton Miller seconded the motion. All for 4-0

Clayton Miller made the motion to approve the library waiver extension as presented by Dana Janush-Federal Programs Director. Michael Palmer seconded the motion. All for 4-0

Michael Palmer made the motion to accept the resignation of Lillian Alderman for Para Professional. Jennifer Walker seconded the motion. All for 4-0

Michael Palmer made the motion to hire Lillian Alderman as Elementary Teacher pending her certification. Jennifer Walker seconded the motion. All for 4-0

Michael Palmer made the motion to hire Brandon Andry for custodial position. The position will be for the rest of 2020-21 school year and paid out of CARES ACT funding. (When these funds are no longer available this position will no longer be available. Jennifer Walker seconded the motion. All for 4-0

Other business: September 30, 2020 will have a Special School Board meeting to approve the budget. October 1, 2020 will be professional development with ASBA through zoom for the school board. October 22, 2020 will be Parent/Teacher conferences. October 23, 2020 will be a Blended Learning Day for all students. October 19, 2020 will be next regular school board meeting.

Clayton Miller made a motion to Adjourn at 6:50 pm. Jennifer Walker seconded the motion. All for 4-0

Respectfully Submitted

Michael Palmer – Board Secretary