

Board of Education

ACTION

TITLE: Consider Scheduling a Special Board Meeting on March 12, 2018

DATE: February 19, 2018

RESPONSIBLE ADMINISTRATOR: Doug Brubaker, Superintendent

BACKGROUND/CONSIDERATIONS:

- The 2018 Arkansas Preferential Primary, in conjunction with which our board elections will also take place, will be May 22.
- Under Arkansas law, a millage election must take place on or before the date of the board election.
- If the Board chooses to place a millage referendum on the May 22 ballot, the proposed budget must be published sixty days prior to May 22.
- Sixty days prior to May 22 is March 23.
- The March regular board meeting is scheduled for March 26, which will be past the deadline for adopting a resolution and publishing the proposed budget as required to place a millage referendum on the May 22 ballot.
- A special board meeting can be called for 5:30 PM on March 12 to provide an opportunity for the Board to approve a resolution and authorize publication of the proposed budget prior to the March 23 deadline.
- If a special board meeting is called for March 12, scheduling conflicts should be minimal because March 12 was the date for which the March work session had been scheduled already.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Administration recommends that a special board meeting be called on March 12, 2018 in order to provide the Board with an opportunity to call a millage election if it chooses to do so

with sufficient time remaining to publish the proposed budget as required by law. If the Board agrees, the motion would read:

Move to schedule a special board meeting on March 12, 2018 at 5:30 PM in the auditorium of Building B of the FSPS Service Center, 3205 Jenny Lind Road, Fort Smith, Arkansas.