

RESOLUTION  
Schools of Innovation Program  
Ark. Code Ann. §§ 6-15-2801 et seq.

Whereas the Fort Smith Public Schools Board of Directors met in a regular, open, and properly-called board meeting on April 27, 2020 in a virtual setting in compliance with COVID-19 CDC guidelines. Whereas \_\_\_\_\_ members were present, a quorum was declared by the chair.

Whereas a representative of the Council of Innovation presented a Plan of Innovation. Whereas, the Plan of Innovation is summarized as follows:

In partnership with the Western Arkansas Technical Center at the University of Arkansas- Fort Smith, the PEAK Innovation Center will offer in-demand technical programs designed to equip students with industry-recognized credentials, work-based experience, and concurrent credit courses, helping them prepare for college and career. PEAK will also help fill the skills gap identified by regional business and industry for a quality workforce capable of performing advanced skills.

Whereas the Board of Directors had opportunity to review the Plan, including the Statement of Assurances signed by the Superintendent, and to ask any questions.

Whereas the Board of Directors received a recommendation to adopt a resolution to approve the Plan of Innovation, and to approve submission of the Plan to the Commissioner of Education for designation as a School of Innovation, in accordance with Ark. Code Ann. §§ 6-15-2803(a).

Whereas the Board, after serious consideration, moved to approve the Plan of Innovation:

Therefore, due to the specific reasons cited above, it is hereby declared to be the intent of the Fort Smith Public Schools Board of Directors to approve the Plan of Innovation.

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Dr. Doug Brubaker, Superintendent

Date

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Mr. Bill Hanesworth, Board President

Date