

Minutes of the May 27, 2010 Regular Meeting of the  
Fayetteville Board of Education

The meeting convened at 5:00PM in the Adams Leadership Center with President Susan Heil presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by students from Fayetteville High School.

**Roll Call**

The roll was called and board members Jim Halsell, Steve Percival, Tim Hudson, Susan Heil, Tim Kring, Howard Hamilton and Becky Purcell were present.

**Recognition**

Susan Brisiel, administrative assistant at Vandergriff, and Vic Dreier, teacher at Ramay Junior High, received Above & Beyond Awards for their outstanding work in the district.

Connie Crisp received a Recognition of Outstanding Achievement award for being named the 2010 K-12 Educator of the Year by the Arkansas Sierra Club.

The Fayetteville High boys and girls track teams received Recognition of Outstanding Achievement awards for winning the 2010 boys indoor and girls outdoor track championships. The girls team was also the 2010 runner-up, and the boys team was the 2010 runner-up.

Will Sharp, Harrison Smith and Aidan Swain, Fayetteville High School students, received Recognition of Outstanding Achievement awards for winning 1<sup>st</sup> place in the 2010 Stamp Out Smoking commercial competition.

Savannah Amaral, Fayetteville High School student, received a Recognition of Outstanding Achievement Award for being named the Arkansas delegate for the 2010 Study Trip to Germany, sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of German.

The Fayetteville High School literary magazine *Connotations* received a Recognition of Outstanding Achievement Award for winning multiple awards for the 26<sup>th</sup> edition.

**Consent Agenda**

Tim Kring made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Becky Purcell seconded the motion, which passed by a 7-0 vote.

Superintendent Vicki Thomas introduced Steve Jacoby, new principal at Fayetteville High School, Jon Gheen, director of ALLPS program at Fayetteville High School, and Terri Raskiewicz, district treasurer.

**Curriculum Policy**

The Board voted 7-0 to approve the district curriculum policy as presented. Lester Long, director of assessment, reported that the district's curriculum management plan is a result of the curriculum audit and the first step of the plan is to adopt a district curriculum policy. All of the information regarding the curriculum plan is on the district website. Steve Percival made the motion, which was seconded by Howard Hamilton.

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#### **Families in Transition Grant**

The Board voted 7-0 to authorize the superintendent to sign the McKinney-Vento grant application for the Summer Program Grant. Lester Long and Dr. Sarah McKenzie presented information regarding the 2009 Leap Ahead program. Leap Ahead will be held July 12-29 this year. 150 students have been invited to participate. The grant is for \$10,000 which will be used for the administrator's salary and breakfast for the students. Jim Halsell made the motion, which was seconded by Howard Hamilton.

#### **Happy Hollow Construction Manager Contract**

The Board voted 7-0 to approve the construction manager contract with Nabholz Construction for the Happy Hollow project. Rudy Moore, Jr., district legal counsel, noted that the Guaranteed Maximum Price for the project as stated in Exhibit A of Document A133, is \$10,569,200.00. Tim Kring made the motion, which was seconded by Steve Percival.

#### **Happy Hollow Status Report**

Kent Doughty, senior project manager from Nabholz Construction, reported that the Happy Hollow groundbreaking was held on April 28<sup>th</sup>. Site work has begun on the project and road work preparation will begin next week.

#### **Policy Revisions & Student Handbooks**

Ginny Wiseman, associate superintendent for administrative services, presented changes to Policies 5.2 (Entrance Requirements), 5.3 (Compulsory Attendance Requirements), 5.7 (Absences), 5.8 (Make-up Work), 5.12 (Student Organizations/Equal Access), 5.17 (Student Discipline), 5.27 (Gangs & Gang Activity), 5.41 (Smart Core Curriculum & Graduation Requirements) and 5.64 (Graduation Requirements for 2011, 2012, 2013 and Graduation Requirements for 2014 and Beyond). Most of the changes are the result of new state statutes and are required by law. The policy changes regarding make-up work for students on out-of-school suspension were recommended by the district discipline policy committee. The Board will be asked to approve the policy changes and the 2010-11 elementary and secondary student handbooks at the June board meeting.

#### **Classified & Certified Policy Revisions**

Greg Mones, human resources director, presented changes to Policies 4150 (Certified Staff Leave Policy), 4243 (Classified Staff Leave Policy), 4141.8 (Substitute Salary Schedule), 4143 (Certified Staff Vacation Policy), and 4245 (Support Staff Vacation Policy). Changes to the leave policies were initiated by PPC and changes to all the policies were approved by both PPC's. The Board will be asked to approve the policy changes at the June board meeting.

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**Closed Session**

The Board adjourned to closed session at 6:36pm to discuss student expulsion matters. The Board convened in open session at 7:00pm. Ginny Wiseman recommended that Student A be expelled for the remainder of the 2009-10 school year. Steve Percival made the motion to expel Student A for the remainder of the 2009-10 school year. Howard Hamilton seconded the motion, which passed by a 7-0 vote.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:06pm.

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Susan W. Heil, President

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Tim Kring, Secretary