

SOUTHSIDE SCHOOL BOARD
Regular Meeting
Minutes
February 8, 2016
6:30 p.m.
Southside High School Media Center

1. President Brad Cummings called the meeting to order with all board members present.

2. a. Elementary Principal Cheryl Harris– reported that the Elementary School Special Education Department Lowe’s Grant, 100th Day of School Activities, praised First National Bank for presenting brand new \$1 bills for 100 pennies collected by each student, President’s Day activities with a virtual tour of the White House, Service projects and activities that took place to celebrate Martin Luther King and his legacy and reported on the success of the 3rd grade musical “Down Home Arkansas directed by Ms. Dawn Harris.

b. Middle School Principal Dion Stevens – reported that Middle School/Jr. Beta students won many awards during the Beta Convention that was held in Hot Springs recently, 2nd 9 weeks student celebration activities, Martin Luther King Activities and service projects, guest speaker Gary Mize provided great lessons on Native American History, Winterfest activity for students, recent fundraiser and rewards for students who were the top sellers, thanked Domino’s Pizza for their help in putting on a pizza party for Middle School students.

c. Jr. High Principal – George Sitkowski – congratulated the Jr. Boys and Girls Basketball teams and coaches on winning the Mountain Home Jr. Tournament and for each winning the 4A-2 Conference Championship, student council for their efforts in putting together the Winter Ball, pep rally activities and dance, approximately 250 students attended the Winter Ball festivities, Martin Luther King Activities and service projects reported that the Jr. High EAST classes are continuing to do some fantastic things and complimented Ms. Bonnie Young and her life skills unit implemented in her classroom.

d. High School Principal Roger Ried – reported that High School students with Perfect Attendance were rewarded with a luncheon at the Southside Grill, success of the Wrestling Team and upcoming matches, Martin Luther King Activities and service projects and reported on the Workforce Alliance Symposium that he recently attended at the Winthrop Rockefeller Institute on Petit Jean Mountain hosted by the University of Arkansas System concerning workforce and technical education.

3. Motion made by Fred Denison seconded by Tony Many to approve minutes of previous meeting. Carried 5-0

4. Motion made by Vonda Crawl seconded by Janice Fuller to enter executive session. Carried 5-0

5. Motion made by Janice Fuller seconded by Vonda Crawl to end executive session. Carried 5-0

6. Motion made by Vonda Crawl seconded by Tony May to extend Building Principal contracts of Roger Ried, HS Principal; Dion Stevens, MS Principal; George Sitkowski, JH Principal by one year as recommended by administration. Carried 5-0.

7. Motion made by Tony May seconded by Janice Fuller to extend contract and transfer Cheryl Harris to JH Asst. Principal and Instructional Facilitator for the 2016-17 school year as recommended by administration. Carried 4-1.

8. Motion made by Vonda Crawl seconded by Janice Fuller to extend contracts of Building Asst. Principals, Rick Keller, Elementary; Chris Hardin, MS; and William Rikard, HS by one year, as well as Dawn Jeffrey, Early Childhood

Preschool Director; Novella Humphrey, Curriculum Coordinator/Federal Programs; and Claudia Reese, LEA Supervisor Special Education. Carried 5-0

9. Motion made by Vonda Crowl seconded by Janice Fuller to accept letter of resignation from Abigail Rucker MS Math teacher as recommended by administration. Carried 5-0
10. Motion made by Janice Fuller seconded by Tony May to hire Dale Dahl as summer baseball/softball Program Coordinator for the summer of 2016. Carried 5-0
11. Motion made by Vonda Crowl seconded by Janice Fuller to approve district bills. Board members were presented and reviewed the financial statement for the month of January. Carried 5-0
12. Motion made by Janice Fuller seconded by Tony May to adjourn meeting. Carried 5-0