

April 11, 2017  
Regular School Board Meeting, RES Parent Center  
Rivercrest School District

Members Present

Johnny Worsham  
Freddy Ware  
Darrell Gist  
Russell Lane  
Clarence Williams

Members Absent

Mark Fincher

The meeting was called to order by President Russell Lane. The agenda was approved with a motion by Mr. Johnny Worsham and a second by Mr. Darrell Gist. The minutes from the previous meeting was approved following a motion by Mr. Darrell Gist and a second by Mr. Clarence Williams. The financial statement was reviewed and approved as presented after a motion by Mr. Clarence Williams and a second by Mr. Johnny Worsham.

An expulsion hearing was held as an open hearing with neither the student nor an adult representative present. After presentation of the evidence by the administration, Mr. Smith recommended that the student be expelled for the remainder of the school year for violation of the handbook policy pertaining to possession of a controlled substance on campus. Mr. Johnny Worsham made a motion that the recommendation be accepted. Mr. Darrell Gist seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Grover Stracener from Stracener Brothers Construction gave an update on the plans for construction of a new bus garage.

Mr. Smith provided information on the audit report. To address the finding from the report, Mr. Smith recommended that paid lunch prices be increased to \$2.65 beginning in August, 2017. Mr. Johnny Worsham made a motion that the recommendation be approved. Mr. Darrell Gist seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The most current Arkansas School Board Association policies were approved as amended following a motion by Mr. Darrell Gist and a second by Mr. Freddy Ware.

Mr. Darrell Gist made a motion that a legal transfer request for Jennifer Hellenthal to transfer to Rivercrest High School from Riverside High School be approved. Mr. Johnny Worsham seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Following an executive session, Mr. Johnny Worsham made a motion that the incremental salary schedule for classified employees be approved as presented with implementation beginning with 2017-2018 contracts. The 2017-2018 contracts will reflect credit for up to 10 years already earned. Mr. Darrell Gist seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Smith recommended approval of the following: resignation of Ms. Nella Hattle and the non-renewal of Mr. Walt Barton effective at the end of the present contracts; hire of Mrs. Tena Fleming, LEA Supervisor and 504 Coordinator; hire of teachers – Daniel Brewer, Kaylee Parnell and Tess Lancaster; and hire of Crystal Smith as a cafeteria worker. Mr. Darrell Gist made a motion that the recommendations be approved. Mr. Clarence Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Smith gave an update on School Choice requests.

The regular school board meeting dates for May and June were set as follows: May 9, June 12.

The Board president presented the resignation of Mr. Gene Bennett from the Board member and as chief disbursing officer for the district effective on April 11, 2017. Mr. Darrell Gist made a motion that the resignation be accepted and that the Board President be designated as the chief disbursing officer. Mr. Johnny Worsham seconded the motion. The motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned with a motion by Mr. Clarence Williams and a second by Mr. Johnny Worsham.

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Russell Lane, President

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Johnny Worsham, Secretary