

# LITTLE ROCK SCHOOL DISTRICT 810 WEST MARKHAM STREET LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72201

## SPECIAL BOARD MEETING Thursday, April 17, 2014

The Board of Directors of the Little Rock School District held a Special Board Meeting on Thursday, April 17, 2014, in the boardroom of the Administration Building, 810 West Markham Street, Little Rock, Arkansas. President Greg Adams presided.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Greg Adams C. E. McAdoo Jody Carreiro Dianne Curry

#### MEMBERS ABSENT:

Norma Johnson Leslie Fisken Tara Shephard

### ALSO PRESENT:

Dexter Suggs, Superintendent of Schools Beverly Griffin, Recorder of Minutes

### I. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Mr. Adams called the meeting to order 6:15 p.m. Four members of the Board were present at roll call; Ms. Johnson, Ms. Fisken, and Ms. Shephard were absent.

#### II. PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

A board worksession was held at 5:30 p.m. to discuss the tool to be used in the evaluation of the superintendent.

A meeting had been scheduled for the purpose of conducting employee hearings. However, prior to the board meeting, the hearings were cancelled. Board members present requested the board convene the meeting to discuss the circumstances of the cancellation.

Attorney Chris Heller explained the reason for the late cancellation notice. During the afternoon during discussions with attorneys involved in the hearings, the superintendent had made a decision to rescind letters of non-renewal for the employees who were to be

involved in the hearings. Since none of the affected employees were recommended for non-renewal at this time, there was no longer a reason for a board hearing. Notifications rescinding the non-renewal letters were being prepared for mailing.

Mr. Heller reported the superintendent was considering all options to operate the LRSD more efficiently and in alignment with the budgetary reductions which will be forthcoming. There may be other options for non-renewal, but none of those were on the table at this time. Four employees were the subject of the hearing.

Mr. Heller reported the notification to Attorney Walker was received at 4:06 p.m. However, Mr. Walker was present with the employees involved, and requested an opportunity to address the board. His request was declined.

# ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

APPROVED: <u>04-24-14</u>

Originals Signed by: Greg Adams, President C. E. McAdoo, Secretary