

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

## MINUTES April 28, 2016

The agenda for April 2016 was submitted by Superintendent Baker Kurrus to the Arkansas Commissioner of Education, Johnny Key, serving as the LRSD Board.

### I. CONSENT ITEMS

# A. Donation of Property

SCHOOL/DEPARTMENT	ITEM	DONOR
Booker Magnet Elementary	Smartboard, carrying case, and 30 cases of banner paper valued at \$5,150.00	Wright, Lindsey & Jennings Law Firm
Forest Heights STEM Academy	Practice jerseys, team uniforms, t- shirts, and socks valued at \$3,131.07	Dale Capital Partners
Henderson Middle School	\$500.00 to the Diamond Diva Mentoring Program	Goddess Products
Roberts Elementary School	\$15,736.88 to purchase Chrome Books \$1,210.00 to purchase a 3D printer	Roberts PTA
Terry Elementary	\$1,014.88 to assist with school operations	Belk

All donations were **accepted** with appreciation.

#### **B.** Minutes

Minutes from a meeting dated March 24, 2016 were submitted and approved as written.

### II. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

# A. Grant Application: College and Career Readiness Planning Program

The Board was asked to authorize the submission of a College and Career Readiness Planning Program (CCRPP) grant in the amount of \$117,669.00 to fund a ACT readiness program. In partnership with Pulaski Technical College, 320 high school students will be served during fall, spring and summer sessions.

Approval was granted.

## **B.** AP Comparative Government Textbook Adoption

Selection of new textbooks is done by committee of teachers by subject area. High school teachers participating in the AP Government textbook adoption were selected by the building principals. The committee selected *AP Comparative Government & Politics – Introduction to Comparative Politics (AP Edition)* by Cengage Learning.

The administration recommended approval of the selection, and it was **approved** by the commissioner.

### C. Anatomy & Physiology Textbook Adoption

The committee for the selection of high school Anatomy and Physiology textbooks met to review available instructional texts. The current books were adopted in 2007. The recommendation was to purchase *Human Anatomy & Physiology, 11<sup>th</sup> Edition*, by Pearson/Prentice Hall (2015).

The administration recommended this text, and the selection was approved.

# D. Sociology Textbook Adoption

Textbooks for high School Sociology were selected by the teacher review committee. The last review and purchase was made in 2007. The committee recommended *Sociology – The Real World, Fifth Edition*, W. W. Norton, 2016.

The administration approved the recommendation, and submitted it for Board approval. It was granted.

### E. High School World Languages Textbook Adoption

Committees composed of teachers in Spanish, French, German, Latin and Mandarin Chinese were involved in the review and selection of new textbooks for language courses. Existing texts were adopted in 2006.

Eight texts were selected for instruction of these languages in high schools. A complete list was included in the agenda, and was recommended by the administration for adoption. The recommendation **was approved**.

#### III. HUMAN RESOURCES

### A. Personnel Changes

Routine personnel changes were included in the agenda. All personnel changes were **approved** as submitted.

### **B.** Notice of Reduction in Force

Superintendent Kurrus provided a detailed "Notice of Reduction in Force" for review and adoption for the 2016-17 school year. The full report was included in the agenda along with Board Policy GCQ, which provides the procedures to be followed when making staffing

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decisions regarding the elimination of positions, reductions in contract lengths, and other personnel cost reductions.

The recommendation was approved as submitted for the 2016-17 school year.

## IV. FINANCE & SUPPORT SERVICES

## A. Minority and Women Business Enterprise (MBE/WBE) Monthly Reports

The monthly reports were provided as part of the agenda and were **accepted** as submitted.

### B. March 2016 Financial Statements

The financial reports for the month of March were included as a part of the meeting agenda. They were **accepted** as submitted.

APPROVED: May 26, 2016 Originals signed by:

H. Baker Kurrus, Superintendent

Approved by:

Johnny Key, ADE Commissioner