

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

## MINUTES SPECIAL BOARD MEETING Thursday, October 16, 2014

The Board of Directors of the Little Rock School District held a special meeting on Thursday, October 16, 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 Dianne Curry Jim Ross Joy Springer

### MEMBERS ABSENT:

Leslie Fisken Tara Shephard

### ALSO PRESENT:

Marvin Burton, Deputy Superintendent Beverly Griffin, Recorder of Minutes

## I. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Mr. Adams called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. Four members were present. Ms. Curry arrived at 5:52 p.m. A quorum was stipulated without roll call.

### II. PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

The meeting was called for the purpose of conducting employee hearings.

### III. ACTION AGENDA

A hearing which was scheduled at the request of Employee ST was discussed at length as to whether she wanted to proceed without benefit of counsel. After the board's discussion, and after <the employee> consulted by telephone with her attorney, she requested a postponement.

At 6:30 p.m. the board convened a background check appeal hearing for applicant <JC>. <The employee's> State background check returned with a finding that he was not eligible for hire in a public school due to a first degree battery charge which was filed against him in 1987.

<The employee> briefly addressed the board. He has applied for a maintenance or custodial position in the LRSD. He reported that he had served five years for a shooting

incident in 1987, which resulted in a conviction for first degree battery. Since that time he has worked part time for the City of Little Rock and the Little Rock Housing Authority.

He appealed to the board to consider his personal history: he hasn't had a full time job since 2008 and has a family. He has not had any other incidents with the law, and he wants to work.

The administration was not in opposition to granting a waiver, and asked the Board to consider granting the waiver as requested by <the employee>.

Mr. McAdoo made a motion to grant the waiver. Ms. Curry seconded the motion, and it **carried unanimously**.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

APPROVED: <u>10-23-14</u>

Originals Signed by: Greg Adams, President Jim Ross, Secretary