

**Minutes  
Lawrence County School Board Meeting  
March 9, 2015**

The Lawrence County School Board of Directors met in their regularly scheduled session on Monday, March 9, 2015 in the boardroom of the Superintendent's office at 5:00 p.m. Keith Brand was not in attendance.

President Gill called the meeting to order, and Vickie Mitchell offered the prayer.

Vickie Mitchell moved to approve the minutes as presented. Ron Ingram seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

President Gill moved to the Superintendent's Report. The first item was Old Business. Superintendent Belcher informed the board that PARCC testing would start soon. He also informed the board that the Arkansas Department of Education, Facilities Division had done facilities inspection of the district campus. He stated that the district was in the process of getting the fire alarm system updated. The district has advertised for bids for the Black Rock buildings. Mr. Belcher informed the board that the district had received a matching grant from the USDA for \$50,000 to assist in equipment for the Farm to School Project.

The next item was New Business. Ron Ingram moved to approve payment of the bills. Joe Penn seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher gave an update on the Financial Reports.

President Gill appointed Ron Ingram and Vickie Mitchell to the Commencement Speaker Committee.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board approve the following changes to the school calendar for the current school year due to the inclement weather days, contingent on the Memorial Day waiver approval from the Arkansas Department of Education.

March 20  
April 3  
May 25 Memorial Day  
June 1-5  
June 8 & 9 Teacher in-service

John Householder moved to approve the recommendation. Vickie Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

At 6:25 p.m. President Gill called for Executive Session.

At 7:00 p.m. the Board reconvened and conducted the following business:

Mr. Belcher made the recommendation to accept the resignation of Judith Holland, Middle-level teacher. Joe Penn moved to accept Mr. Belcher's recommendation. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

**Mr. Belcher made the recommendation to accept the retirement resignation of Rhonda Potter, Art teacher. Joe Penn moved to accept Mr. Belcher's recommendation. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.**

**Mr. Belcher made the recommendation to accept the resignation of Libby Callahan, Aide. Joe Penn moved to accept the recommendation. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.**

**Mr. Belcher made the recommendation to accept the resignation of Sandra McCormic, Meal Tracker. Joe Penn moved to accept the recommendation. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.**

**Mr. Belcher made the recommendation to employ Kerri Farmer as a Special Education Aide for the district. Joe Penn moved to accept the recommendation. Pat Roby seconded the recommendation. The motion received unanimous approval.**

**Mr. Belcher presented the list of certified teachers for rehire for the upcoming 2015-2016 school year to the Board. Joe Penn moved to rehire employees as presented. Ron Ingram seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.**

**Mr. Belcher recommended the board hire Tranisha Barnes as a cafeteria/custodial substitute for the district. Vickie Mitchell moved to accept the recommendation. Joe Penn seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.**

**Mr. Belcher recommended the board hire high school student, Dallas Moore as a bus rider. Joe Penn moved to accept the recommendation. Ron Ingram seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.**

**In Other/ Miscellaneous business, the Board was given activity calendars. Mr. Belcher informed the Board that Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Thursday, March 19.**

**At 7:10 p.m. Joe Penn moved to adjourn the meeting. Ron Ingram seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.**

**The next scheduled meeting of the Lawrence County School Board is scheduled for April 13, at 5:00 p.m.**

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**Ron Ingram, Secretary**