Arkansas City Public Schools

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At its regular meeting on Monday, the USD 470 Board of Education:

- Called the meeting to order
- Recited the Pledge of Allegiance
- Recognized visitors
- Approved the Agenda
- Approved the Consent Agenda
- Heard a special report from C-4 Elementary administration, faculty, staff, and students
- Approved the KSDE State Audit for 2023-2024
- Awarded the proposals for the purchase of technology hardware (switches/access points) to Twotrees in the total amount of $63,310.00 – which is eligible for E-Rate funding
- Approved an MOU with JAG-K for the 2024-2025 school year as presented
- Approved the 2024 summer school program and budget as presented
- Approved an MOU with Greenbush Virtual Academy for the 2024-2025 school year as presented
- Authorized the rescheduling of the USD 470 March Board meeting for Monday, March 25, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. at the Avery Learning Center
- Reviewed a list of property owned by USD 470
- Heard a report from Asst. Superintendent William Pfannenstiel regarding negotiations and training
- Discussed a potential policy regarding service animals on school property
- Discussed the possibility of re-establishing a Dean of Students position at Ark City High School
- Moved into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel
- Called the regular meeting back to order
- Approved a new contract (or an addendum to the current contract) for Superintendent Dr. Ron Ballard; The new contract is for a three-year term beginning on July 1, 2024 and will include the following changes, subject to attorney review:
    - $24,000 added to the base salary
    - Reduce general/sick days from 100 days to 55
    - Reduce the ability to cash in accrued leave from 120 days to 75 days
    - All other terms to remain unchanged
- Adjourned

**The next regular BOE meeting is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Monday, March 25, 2024, at the Avery Family Learning Center. The meeting will be livestreamed at www.usd470.com/boemeeting.*