



# FROM THE BOARD

Notes from the April 24, 2008 Regular Meeting  
of the Fayetteville Board of Education

## Recognition Awards

Ramay Jr. High student Aneeka Majid was honored for creating the winning design for the district's Green Team t-shirts.

FHS math teacher Patsy Williford received an Above & Beyond Award from the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce for her outstanding work with students.

FHS students Andrea Love and Pete Burks received Recognition of Outstanding Achievement Award for winning first place in Words & Music in the 2008 Arkansas Debate & Forensics Tournament.

FHS student Riley Sokora received a Recognition of Outstanding Achievement Award for winning first place in Sports & Entertainment Marketing at the 2008 Arkansas DECA competition.

FHS marketing teacher Linda Clay received a Recognition of Outstanding Achievement Award for being named the 2008 Arkansas Marketing Teacher-of-the-Year.

McNair Middle School principal Michelle Hayward received a Recognition of Outstanding Achievement Award for being named the 2008 Arkansas Middle-Level Principal-of-the-Year.

## Future of FHS Select Committee II Recommendation

The Future of FHS Select Committee II presented a recommendation that the new Fayetteville High School be constructed on property on Morningside Drive that is bounded to the north by Huntsville Road and to the south by 15th Street.

The Board agreed to hold a special meeting before May 9 to make a decision as to what is in the students' best interest: either staying at the present location or moving to a new site.

The Board also directed Dr. New to contact the University of Arkansas administration to discuss a potential selling price for the FHS property, should the district decide to sell.

## State Required Technology Plan

The Board voted to approve the district's 2009-2012 technology plan as required by the Arkansas Department of Education.

## Student Transfers

The Board voted to approve a resolution to no longer allow students residing in the Fayetteville School District to transfer to another school district.

## Land Acquisition

The Board voted to give the district the authority to negotiate the purchase of land adjacent to the property the district owns on Deane Solomon Road. The purchase will provide more frontage along Deane Solomon Road.

## Teacher Grievance Request

Following the advice of legal counsel, the Board voted not to hear a request for a grievance hearing from a staff member.

## Revised NWACC Memorandum of Understanding

Dr. Randy Willison reported that a revised MOU between the district and Northwest Arkansas Community College is still being drafted and will be presented in May.

## Superintendent Interview Process

The Board discussed the process they will take to continue the interview process with Dr. Richard Abernathy, the remaining candidate to replace Dr. Bobby New as superintendent when Dr. New retires on June 30, 2009.

Board president Steve Percival presented a proposed schedule for Dr. Abernathy to meet with various groups possibly on May 2 and 3.

### NOTE:

The May Board of Education meeting will be held on Thursday, May 29, not on May 22, which is the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month and the Board's usual meeting day. Fayetteville High School will hold graduation on May 22 at 7 pm in Bud Walton Arena.