Minutes

State Board of Education Special Committee on Academic Distress Meeting Thursday, November 13, 2014

The State Board of Education Special Committee on Academic Distress met Thursday, November 13, 2014, in the Auditorium of the Department of Education Building. Chairman Vicki Saviers called the meeting to order at 2:12 p.m.

Present: Vicki Saviers, Chair; Sam Ledbetter; Toyce Newton; Alice Mahony; Diane Zook; Joe Black; Mireya Reith; Kim Davis; Tony Wood, Commissioner; and Jonathan Crossley, Teacher of the Year

Consent Agenda

Ms. Saviers moved, seconded by Ms. Newton, to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Items included in the Consent Agenda:

- Minutes September 15, 2014
- Minutes October 14, 2014

Work Session

Chair Vicki Saviers asked the committee to consider next steps.

Assistant Commissioner Ms. Annette Barnes said the Department of Education is in the process of notifying districts and schools that may be identified in academic distress.

Public School Accountability Coordinator Mr. Elbert Harvey said the school improvement unit provided recommendations for each school in academic distress.

Ms. Barnes said reports would be made to the Board upon request. Mr. Ledbetter requested that Ms. Barnes review the reports and make recommendations to the special committee.

The Special Committee will meet Wednesday, January 7, 2015, at 1:00 p.m. in the ADE Auditorium to review the progress of the Little Rock School District's plan for schools in academic distress.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Deborah Coffman.

Vicki Saviers, Chair