

**SUMMARY MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION FOR ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIC  
FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION**

**TELECONFERENCE MEETING AGENDA**

**Originating from Secretary Johnny Key's Conference Room  
May 26, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.**

**Commissioner Members**

Johnny Key, Secretary, Arkansas Department of Education  
Larry Walther, Secretary, Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration  
Mark Conine, President, Arkansas Development Finance Authority

**ADE / Division Staff in Attendance**

Tim Cain, Director, DPSAFT  
Taylor Dugan, Attorney Specialist, ADE  
Carol Bowman, Administrative Analyst, DPSAFT

**Quorum was met.**

**Meeting called to order.**

Secretary Key welcomed the new Commissioner Mark Conine, President of Arkansas Development Finance Authority.

**1. Summary Meeting Minutes – April 29, 2021**

**The Commission approved the minutes for the April 29, 2021, Commission teleconference meeting.**

**2. Commission for Arkansas Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation Rules Governing the Academic Facilities Partnership Program**

Tim Cain stated that Act 801 of 2017 charged the Advisory Committee on Public School Academic Facilities with assisting the Division with conducting a comprehensive review of the Academic Facilities Partnership Program. Concerning the Partnership Program, the review included analysis of the current and long-term viability of the program. Many of the amendments to these Partnership rules resulted from the Committee's recommendations, several of which the Commission adopted.

Mr. Cain reviewed a few clean-up corrections made by Lori Freno, and recognized Lori Freno, Murray Britton, and Tyrel Pace for their work to develop the proposed rules. Mr. Cain indicated that he had a teleconference meeting with the Advisory Committee and a face-to-face meeting with Chairman Jim Alessi to discuss the Committee's recommendations and proposed Partnership Rule as the process began.

Taylor Dugan reviewed the rule promulgation process including a public hearing. Mr. Dugan clarified for Mr. Walther that public hearings collect comments but do not provide responses to any comments presented.

**2a** Summary of Changes and Commission for Arkansas Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation Rules Governing the Academic Facilities Partnership Program

**2b** Appendices

**2b1** Appendix A – Arkansas Public School Academic Facility Manual, Chapter 6, Career Technical Education

**2b2** Program of Requirements (*POR*) Career Technical Education

**2b3** Appendix B – Academic Facilities Partnership Program Agreement (Applicable beginning with Partnership Projects for 2021-2023 Biennium)

**The Commission approved the proposed rules pending approval by the Governor for public comment release.**

**3. Adjourn**