

SUMMARY MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION FOR ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIC

TELECONFERENCE MEETING AGENDA

Originating from Secretary Johnny Key's Conference Room

April 29, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Members

Johnny Key, Secretary, Arkansas Department of Education, Division of Elementary and Secondary Education
Larry Walther, Secretary, Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration (*via Teleconference*)
Bryan Scoggins, President, Arkansas Development Finance Authority (*via Teleconference*)

ADE / Division Staff in Attendance via Teleconference

Tim Cain, Director, DPSAFT
Murray Britton, Assistant Director, DPSAFT (*via Teleconference*)
Carol Bowman, Administrative Analyst, DPSAFT (*via Teleconference*)

Quorum was met.

Meeting called to order.

1. Summary Meeting Minutes – December 7, 2020

The Commission approved the minutes for the December 7, 2020, Commission meeting.

2. 2021-2023 Partnership Program Projects

Mr. Cain reported the Division reviewed available program funding. Based on funding in the 2021 legislative session and existing program balances, there was \$77.5 million available on July 1, 2021, to fund the Year-One (2021- 2022) projects.

Three additional projects were listed as "*Tentative approval by Commission contingent on funding by Legislature.*" The projects were

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| 1. Springdale #2122-7207-022 | \$15,279,387.05 |
| 2. Western Yell Co. #2122-7509-001 | \$ 771,705.15 |
| 3. Pine Bluff #2122-3505-001 | \$12,817,259.05 |

The Commission will fund the Year-Two projects prior to July 1, 2022.

2a 2021-2023 Academic Facilities Partnership Program Projects

Secretary Key stated that through discussions with Legislative leadership, these tentative funds would be from the restricted reserve account, which Secretary Walther agreed, and that the Legislative Council would make the final determination. This tentative funding approval will keep the Commission from having to meet again just to approve it, and would not have to meet if not funded.

The Commission provided state financial participation for 2021-2023 Partnership Program Year-One projects to a funding level of \$77.5 million.

3. Academic Facilities Catastrophic Program – Winter Storm Damage

Mr. Cain stated that these reimbursements were for only the portion of a catastrophic project that is not covered by insurance deductibles.

3a Fordyce Public Schools

3b. Berryville School District

The Commission approved reimbursements of (1) \$3,232.90 to the Fordyce Public Schools, and (2) \$2,897.51 to the Berryville School District, as requested under the Academic Facilities Catastrophic Program.

4. Additional Comments

Commissioner Bryan Scoggins indicated that this was his last day with the Arkansas Development Finance Authority, and that Mark Conine would be the Interim President. Mr. Scoggins thanked the Division staff and the Commission. Secretaries Key and Walther thanked Mr. Scoggins for his services and gave best wishes.

5. Adjourn