

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

TELECONFERENCE MEETING AGENDA
Originating from Secretary Oliva's offices
April 30, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.

Commissioner Members

Jacob Oliva, Secretary, Arkansas Department of Education
Jim Hudson, Secretary Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration - *via teleconference*
Mark Conine, President, Arkansas Development Finance Authority - *via teleconference*

ADE / Division Staff in Attendance

Tim Cain, Director, DPSAFT
Andres Rhodes, Chief Legal Counsel, ADE
Tyrel Pace, Assistant Director, DPSAFT - *via teleconference*
Carol Bowman, Administrative Analyst. DPSAFT – *via teleconference*

Quorum was met.

Meeting called to order.

1. Summary Meeting Minutes – July 20, 2023

The Commission approved the minutes for the July 20, 2023, Commission teleconference meeting.

2. A.C.A. § 6-20-2511(h) - High-Growth School Districts

The Commission approved the report for dissemination as required by law.

3. 2023-2024 Partnership Program Projects – Funding since July 20, 2023

Tim Cain reported that the following Partnership Projects were funded prior to fiscal year end.

➤ **2023--2024 Partnership Program Projects – Funding since July 20, 2023**

2324-6201-001	Forrest City	\$3,729,905.45	September 20, 2023
2324-1101-001	Corning	\$12,813,728.84	September 20, 2023
2324-7001-002	El Dorado	\$6,098,079.02	September 20, 2023
2324-3510-001	White Hall	\$486,356.43	September 20, 2023
2324-7206-200	Prairie Grove	\$3,019,749.81	September 20, 2023
2324-3211-001	Midland	\$1,703,310.09	September 20, 2023
2324-3510-002	White Hall	\$590,613.17	September 20, 2023
2324-7207-006	Springdale	\$1,186,828.43	January 2, 2024
2324-6004-010	JNPSD	\$8,259,089.50	February 14, 2024

\$37,887,660.74

Status Report. No Commission action required.

4. Year-2 2024-2025 and Remaining Year-1 2023-2024 Year-1 Warm, Safe, and Dry Partnership Program Projects – Funding

Mr. Cain presented all Year-2 2024-2025 Warm, Safe, and Dry Partnership Projects and the remaining Year-1 2023-2024 approved/not funded Warm, Safe, and Dry Partnership Projects for funding by the Commission.

The Commission approved the funding of Year-2 2024-2025 and Remaining Year-1 2023-2024 Year-1 Warm, Safe, and Dry Partnership Program Projects .

5. Rules

Andres Rhodes and Tim Cain requested the Commission release the three rules approved by the Governor for public comment.

- a. Commission for Arkansas Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation Rules Governing the Academic Facilities Distress Program
- b. Commission for Arkansas Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation Rules Governing the Academic Facilities Partnership Program
- c. Commission for Arkansas Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation Rules Governing the Transportation Modernization Grant Program

The Commission approved the proposed rules for public comment release.

6. **Bentonville Public Schools**

Andres Rhodes presented Legal's response to Senator Joshua Bryant's request for determination of whether Bentonville School District violated the requirements in the Commission for Arkansas Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation Rules Governing Right of Access to Unused or Underutilized Public School Facilities and the Sale or Lease of Public School Facilities, dated December 31, 2018.

The Commission tabled action against the Bentonville School District to gather more information.

7. Adjourn