

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OF CROSSETT SCHOOL DISTRICT #52  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2010

A special meeting of the Board of Education of Crossett School District was held at Hugh Willis Administration Building, 219 Main, Crossett, AR, at 5:30 p.m. on October 19, 2010.

Members Present:

Doug Thurman, President  
Jeff Harrison, Vice President  
Jeff Langley, Secretary  
Robert Cornelius

Others Present:

Linda Goodwin, Assistant Superintendent  
Norman Hill, Business Manager  
60 Staff & Visitors  
1 Member of the Media

NEW BUSINESS

A. Discuss Dr. Warren's Trip to South Africa

Board Member Robert Cornelius asked to be recorded as being against any motion to cancel Dr. Warren's trip. Mr. Cornelius expressed his concern that a Board Statement was being presented on behalf of the Board without input from all of the board members. He further explained that he did not participate in preparing a Board Statement. He left the meeting at 5:38 p.m. Mr. Cornelius returned and stated that he felt compelled to return and speak for Dr. Warren since she was not able to be at the meeting. Addressing the audience, he said they needed to know the real purpose of the meeting. He said, "There has been a closed vote in the last three years that Dr. Warren's contract not be renewed." Mr. Cornelius then left the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Jeff Langley, Secretary of the Board, read from a prepared statement (attached), instructing Dr. Warren to cancel her tour of South African Schools with the National Delegation of the Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development, or "personally assume total financial responsibility of any expenses regarding this trip." The Board also instructed Mr. Hill "to collect any funds already disbursed in regards to this trip."

Board President Doug Thurman asked for a motion, Mr. Langley made the motion, Jeff Harrison seconded, and the motion passed 3-1, with Mr. Cornelius voting against.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

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President

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Recorder

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Date