

BOARD OF EDUCATION
BENTON, WISCONSIN
FEBRUARY 14, 2018

Vice-President Lou Langkamp called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the library of the high school. Roll call: Angie Davis-absent, Mark Coffey-present, Jean O'Neill-present, Lou Langkamp-present, Bob Knight-present, Mick Vaughn-present, and Ryan Carver-absent.

BEST Reps – none

Citizen Comments – none

Motion by O'Neill, seconded by Coffey to approve the consent of agenda which includes the minutes of January 10, 2018. Motion carried.

Administrator Tom Andres gave the financial report. January income was \$431,478.32, expenses \$250,366.41, with an ending balance of \$660,516.61. Approximately 36.5% of the budget has been spent which is on track for this point in the year.

Athletic Director Kyle Kern reported nothing new has happened with the football realignment. The trap shooting team will be holding a fundraiser. Rock the Gym went well. On April 22 the Benton school will host a USA Wrestling Tournament.

Principal Lisa Lawrence reported two students represented Benton School at the Sectional Spelling Bee, Kayci Martensen and Cody Haynes. An all-school sledding party was held on Monday and the students and staff had great fun. ACT prep and schedule is underway for Juniors and the test will take place February 27 and 28. The budgeting process will begin in March, she will be looking in to the high school social studies and English curriculum.

Administrator's Report. Mr. Andres reported a tech grant for infrastructure has been submitted and the district should hear back in a couple of weeks if it was awarded. A staff meeting will be held to discuss next year's contracts and language issues. The CPI is 2.13 for next year. This will be discussed at the April meeting. Big ticket budget item discussion will be on the April agenda as well as a walk-through of the building will be held that evening. Travis Tranel and Howard Marklein visited the school and spoke with some of our students.

Motion by Vaughn, seconded by Coffey to pay bills #32075-32180 noting voided checks #32125, 32132, 32126. Motion carried.

Motion by Knight, seconded by O'Neill to accept the offer for the purchase of a used stove by Mrs. Gill. Motion carried.

Motion by O'Neill, seconded by Vaughn to approve the resolution for the Wisconsin School Nutrition Purchasing Co-op. Motion carried.

Motion by Coffey, seconded by O'Neill to approve David Neis and Marie Wamsley as volunteer assistant track coaches. Motion carried.

Motion by Langkamp, seconded by O'Neill to approve the gymnastics tri-op renewal with Southwestern and Cuba City School. Motion carried.

Motion by Knight, seconded by Coffey to approve the wrestling tri-op renewal with Cuba City and Southwestern School. Motion carried.

Motion by Vaughn, seconded by Knight to approve the resignation of Russ Hamm as volleyball coach. Motion carried.

Motion by O'Neill, seconded by Knight to approve the 2018-19 school calendar with the school day running from 8:05-3:25. Motion carried.

Motion by O'Neill, seconded by Langkamp to approve the transportation contract with E. Mowry Transportation. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the best way to get referendum information to the public. General consensus was to send an informational letter to all households and put all referendum information on the school website. Motion by Langkamp, seconded by O'Neill to approve the referendum letter, handouts, and explanation materials distribution and postings. Motion carried.

The review and approval of policies will be held at a later date.

Motion by Vaughn, seconded by Coffey to adjourn to closed session at 6:45 p.m. as permitted under State Statute (1)(c) to discuss personnel including evaluation of applicants for the superintendent's position. Roll call vote: Coffey-yes, Knight-yes, Langkamp-yes, Vaughn-yes, O'Neill-yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by O'Neill, seconded by Knight to reconvene in open session at 7:40 p.m.

No additional action taken in open session.

Motion by Knight, seconded by Coffey to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Jean O'Neill, Clerk