

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
BENTON, WISCONSIN
OCTOBER 12, 2016**

President Ryan Carver called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM in the IMC of the high school. Roll Call: Angie Davis-present, Fred Norder-present, Larry Redfearn-present, Lou Langkamp-present, Brandee Blaine-present, Mick Vaughn-present, and Ryan Carver-present.

BEST Reps and citizen comments – none.

Motion by Norder, seconded by Redfearn to approve the proof of giving public notice and minutes of September 14, 2016 and Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of September 14, 2016. Motion carried.

Motion by Blaine, seconded by Norder to approve the consent of agenda. Motion carried.

Correspondence – A request was received for a land transfer from the Benton School District to Cuba City School District. Administrator Luedtke is conferring with Attorney Brownlee.

Principal's Report – Mrs. Lawrence reported the Energy Bus program is underway. The staff went bowling on September 30 as an Energy Bus group activity. Educator Effectiveness "My Learning Plan" has started. An Abraham Lincoln assembly was held for K-3 students today. Parent/Teacher Conferences are being held tomorrow and Friday. Bring your parents to lunch will be held on October 21. Teacher in-service will be held on November 7.

The District Administrator's Report was given by Mr. Luedtke. The State Report Card is to be released by the DPI on November 17. The bid to remove old chemicals stored in the building was \$6338. Mr. Luedtke is doing the calling of substitute staff this year. He attended an Educational Committee meeting in Madison; the major concern was equity and mental health and teacher shortage in rural areas. Mr. Droessler will be giving his proposal for trap shooting at a future meeting. Mr. Luedtke also attended a Six Rivers meeting. Discussion of having eight man football was discussed. Cassville is proposing to co-op with Potosi for football. Mr. Luedtke attended a WIAA Advisory Council meeting in Stevens Point. Membership dues and fees will be omitted. Discussion was held on allowing students from virtual school to participate as home school students do. Also discussed was limiting the number of schools that can make up a co-op team, and the reporting of sexual assaults and alcohol consumption. The ice machine was repaired, but is now not working. The company has agreed to issue a refund for the machine.

The Finance Report was given by Mr. Luedtke. He will be attending a revenue limit workshop in Madison on Tuesday. The amount of state aid we are to receive should be known on October 15. Property value has increased from last year. Health insurance with WEA for the 2017-2018 is a concern. We have two students attending Southwestern in a 66:0301 agreement for ECH at a cost of \$15,892.61, which includes speech and language services. The speech and language services can be done at Benton, which will save the district \$1250.

Motion by Vaughn, seconded by Redfearn to pay bills #30751-30835. Motion carried.

Motion by Redfearn, seconded by Blaine to accept a donation from the Benton Community Development Fund for \$3,000, and from the Booster Club for \$964.00 towards the lighting project. Motion carried.

The Employee Stay Survey was discussed. Consensus was to use Survey Monkey or Google Survey. Motion by Norder, seconded by Blaine to implement the Stay Survey, timeline to be determined by administration. Motion carried.

The board discussed contacting open enrollment students. It was decided to contact only open enrollment out students. The list of open enrollees out will be split between board members who volunteered to make selected contacts.

Motion by Langkamp, seconded by Norder to approve the School Volunteers Policy 353.1. Motion carried.

No action on the transgender policy development.

The board reviewed two bids that were received for duct cleaning. No action taken at this time.

No resignations.

General consensus was a special meeting with Cuba City School Board reps was not necessary at this time. A special meeting for setting the levy will be held October 26 at 5:00 PM. The next regular meeting will be November 9 and 6:00 PM.

Motion by Langkamp, seconded by Redfearn to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Angela Davis, Clerk

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