

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
BENTON, WISCONSIN
APRIL 12, 2017**

Vice-President Lou Langkamp called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the IMC of the high school. Roll call: Angie Davis-present, Mark Coffey-present, Larry Redfearn-present, Lou Langkamp-present, Brandee Blaine-present, Mick Vaughn-present, and Ryan Carver-absent.

BEST Reps: None

Citizen Comments: None

Motion by Vaughn, seconded by Redfearn to approve the proof of giving public notice and minutes of March 8, 2017 and March 22, 2017. Motion carried.

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

Forensic team members Kelsie Goffinet, Maggie Dougherty, Sophie Dougherty, Ian Murphy, and Libby Foht performed their forensic pieces.

Principal Lisa Lawrence reported staff worked on ELA Curriculum, strategic planning, and did Google training during the March 31 in-service. The science textbooks have been selected and a cost proposal is being drafted. Earth Day will be held on April 21. Roxanne Board has a full agenda for students in K-12 to work on Earth Day activities.

Administrator Kyle Luedtke reported the two candidates receiving the most votes were Jean O'Neill with 174 and Bob Knight with 38. Angie Stluka obtained a grant for a salad bar. Lunch prices will not increase for 2017-18 school year. There were 12 children who attended 4k screening with sixteen potential children coming in the fall. A soft lock-down was held on Monday due to an incident in Janesville. There are six bills in legislation regarding referendums.

Administrator Kyle Luedtke gave the finance report. The 2016-17 expenses exceed revenue with the administrator buy out and sick day payout. The fund balance history was reviewed. The fund balance is healthy.

The list of maintenance projects was discussed and prioritized. Mr. Luedtke will prioritize the list on a spreadsheet showing what can be done in house and what would need to be bid out or done by outside individuals or firms and the associated costs.

Motion by Blaine, seconded by Vaughn to pay bills #31271-31348, noting voided checks 31277, 31289, 31291, 31294, 31298, 31308, 31317, and 31318. Motion carried.

Brent Straka from Tri-Cor Insurance gave a report on Tri-Cor's findings for health insurance options for 2017-18. Motion by Blaine, seconded by Davis to accept the WEA Trust Plan with the 7.5% health insurance increase and Delta Dental Plan with a 3% increase, with vision and life no increase. Motion carried.

Motion by Redfearn, seconded by Blaine to accept the donation of two drinking/bottle filling fountains from the Booster Club. Motion carried.

Motion by Davis, seconded by Redfearn to accept the donation of t-shirts for the trap shooting team from the Benton State Bank. Motion carried.

Motion by Davis, seconded by Redfearn to accept the donation of power washing services by Boy's Detailing and Power Washing. Motion carried.

Motion by Vaughn, seconded by Davis to approve the athletic trainer contract, with the 3% increase, for 2017-18 from Southwest Health Center. Motion carried.

No changes were made to the 2017-18 school calendar.

Motion by Davis, seconded by Coffey to approve the building use request from Don Reints to use the school parking lot on April 22, 2017. Motion carried.

Motion by Davis, seconded by Coffey to approve an overnight field trip for the high school baseball team. Motion carried.

Mr. Luedtke will check with the school attorney on the procedure for collecting a debt from a former employee.

Motion by Davis, seconded by Coffey to approve a 66.0301 contract with Seneca School District for a special education director for two days per week. Motion carried.

Motion by Davis, seconded by Blaine to approve the CESA 3 contract with the removal of the special education director cost. Motion carried.

Resolution ordering reduction of 4K program – no action.

Motion by Blaine, seconded by Vaughn to approve the resolution considering the non-renewal of an elementary teacher contract for 2017-18 with a private conference to be held on April 18, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. if desired. Roll call vote: Davis-yes, Coffey-yes, Redfearn-yes, Redfearn-yes, Langkamp-yes, Vaughn-yes, Blaine-yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Blaine, seconded by Langkamp to accept the resolution for non-renewal of a special education teacher. Roll call vote: Coffey-yes, Redfearn-yes, Langkamp-yes, Vaughn-yes, Blaine-yes, Davis-yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Redfearn, seconded by Blaine to accept the resignation of Mary Mowry. Motion carried.

Motion by Vaugh, seconded by Davis to accept the resignation of Dixie Paquette. Motion carried.

Motion by Blaine, seconded by Coffey to accept the resignation of Elizabeth Randall. Motion carried.

Motion by Davis, seconded by Vaughn to accept the resignation of Rhonda Wildes. Motion carried.

Motion by Davis, seconded by Redfearn to adjourn to closed session at 7:50 p.m. as permitted under State Statute 19.85(1)(c) to discuss teacher and coaching positions and to review applicants for the superintendent position. Roll call vote; Davis-yes, Coffey-yes, Redfearn-yes, Langkamp-yes, Vaughn-yes, Blaine-yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Blaine seconded by Redfearn to reconvene in open session at 9:40 p.m. Motion carried.

No action on Jr. High teacher position for 2017-18.

Motion by Blaine, seconded by Coffey to approve the 2017-18 fall coaching positions: Head Football-Todd Bastian, Jr. High Football-Rudy Beliz, Head Volleyball-Russ Hamm, JV Volleyball-Nicole Brant. Motion carried.

Motion by Davis, seconded by Blaine to approve unpaid volunteer Jr. High track coaches Traci Calvert, Payton Bastian, and Rob Savala. Motion carried.

The hiring committee meeting will meet on April 18 and April 19 at 6:00 p.m. to interview candidate for the administrator position.

The next regular board meeting will be Wednesday, May 10, 2017 at 6 p.m.

Angie Davis thanked Brandee Blaine and Larry Redfearn to their years of service on the board.

Motion by Davis, seconded by Blaine to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Angela Davis, Clerk

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