

Board of Education

Benton, Wisconsin

June 14, 2017

President Ryan Carver called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM in the High School Library. Roll call: Mark Coffey-present, Jean O'Neill-present, Lou Langkamp-present, Bob Knight-present, Ryan Carver-Present, Absent-Mick Vaughn

B.E.S.T. – None

Citizen Comments – Leanne Teasdale requesting Benton School District to approve Cuba City School District to allow a bus stop at their residence for their children who are open enrolled in Cuba City School District. Marion Lovell spoke on behalf of the Trap Shooting Team who just completed their first season. The team did very well for their first season and she thanked the School Board for their support in starting the program.

Motion by Langkamp, seconded by Coffey to approve the proof of giving public notice and minutes of the May 10, 2017, and the May 24, 2017 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by O'Neill, seconded by Coffey to approve the consent of agenda. Motion Carried.

Correspondence. Thank you note received from Myrna Sysko. A letter was received from the parents of a former teacher regarding a breach of contract payment plan. The first three months of payments were sent along with the letter.

Principal Report. Principal Lawrence reported that due to the deadlines of the online courses being June 16, no report cards have been sent out, but will be sent when the courses are complete and graded. Educator Effectiveness is being worked on and will be completed by the June 30 deadline. DPI has been assisting with the transitions the district will go through with the staff changes. Five teachers ranging from grade school through high school will be attending a conference in Dubuque with Mrs. Lawrence. Mrs. Lawrence has been working with Cassville School District regarding a grant that Benton jointly received with them on curriculum. This allows the districts to work together and will include a couple of meetings on in-service dates during the school year. Benton School District has been named the recipient of a grant through the Dubuque Racing Association. This grant will assist in the purchase of Chromebooks. Mrs. Lawrence has been working on assigning mentors for the new staff. She also plans to have a "New Employee" training date before the scheduled August in-service dates.

Administrator Report. The district currently participates in the "Seal-A-Smile" program. The program provided dental care to 40 students this year and found 9 having early dental needs and 1 with urgent needs. This program will continue in 2017-18. Kyle Kern recently attended a meeting regarding football realignment. The proposed plan will be reevaluated after two years. Summer maintenance projects are on pace with the schedule. Rob Savala has been mowing this summer and Kyle Kern is assisting as needed. TC Networks recently completed a full inventory of our technology. Mr. Luedtke met with Dr. Laura Nelson and spent time going over what she will need to be aware of for our district.

Financial Report. Tri-op sports cost \$5,120.65. Benton School District would like to thank the Cuba City and Southwestern School Districts for allowing our students to compete on their teams with them. This provides great opportunities for our students. The proposed budget was set to be negative by \$5,729.00. This included the field lights payment to the Village. There were items not budgeted which effected the end budget this year. Chemical Removal (\$5,313), sick day payout (\$27,600), and superintendent longevity contract clause (\$20,206). Currently we are waiting for the June Equalization Aid payment from the state. This typically arrives around June 20th.

Motion by Langkamp, seconded by Coffey to pay bills #31422-31484. Motion carried.

Filling Current Board Position. Two letters of interest were received to fill the remainder of Angie Davis' term. The two candidates, Clint Hillary and Angie Davis were each asked questions. A ballot vote was conducted with Angie

Davis receiving four votes and Clint Hillary receiving one. Angie Davis will serve the position until it expires April 2018.

A committee of two Benton board members, Carver and Coffey, will meet with representatives of Cuba City School District to discuss the option of a bus stop at the Teasdale residence. A Cuba City bus currently drives past their residence.

Motion by Knight, seconded by O'Neill to set the date of the Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting for Wednesday, September 20, 2017 at 6:30. Motion carried.

Motion by O'Neill, seconded by Langkamp to approve an Academic and Career Ready Plan. Motion carried.

Fee schedule for the 2017-18 school year was reviewed. The board would like additional information on athletic pass fees and will further discuss at the July board meeting.

Motion by Langkamp, seconded by Knight to approve the joining of the Wisconsin School Nutrition Purchasing Cooperative. Motion carried.

Motion by Knight, seconded by Langkamp to approve the purchase of a John Deere lawn mower from Sloan Implement and trade in the old lawn mower. Motion carried.

Athletic Director duties were discussed. Changes will be presented at the July board meeting for further review.

Motion by Langkamp, seconded by O'Neill to approve a substitute teacher call stipend of \$1,500. Motion carried.

Stay interview results were shared with the board. Suggestions staff made were discussed. Feedback was great from staff.

Motion by Coffey, seconded by Langkamp to approve the use of basketball uniforms for the girls summer basketball league. Motion carried.

Motion by Coffey, seconded by Knight to accept the resignation of Sandy Evans, English teacher.

Motion by Langkamp, seconded by Coffey to accept the resignation of Billy Richardson, Music teacher.

Motion by Langkamp, seconded by O'Neill to adjourn to close session as permitted under State Statute 19.85(1)(c) at 7:52 P.M. to discuss personnel wages and compensation including administration, teacher, advisor, coaching contracts and support staff and employment. Roll call: Lou Langkamp-yes, Mark Coffey-yes, Bob Knight-yes, Jean O'Neill-yes, Ryan Carver-yes. Absent-Mick Vaughn. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Knight, Seconded by Coffey to reconvene in open session at 8:28 P.M. Motion carried.

Motion by Langkamp, seconded by O'Neill to approve Todd Bastian as high school Math Teacher. Motion carried.

Motion by Oneill, seconded by Knight to approve David Neis as boys JV Basketball coach, Nichole Brant as head Softball coach, and Molly Tranel as Junior High Volleyball coach. Motion carried.

Next monthly board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 12, 2017 at 6:00 P.M.

Motion by Langkamp, seconded by Knight to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Jean O'Neill, Clerk