BOARD OF EDUATION BENTON, WISCONSIN August 13, 2025

President Angie Davis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the library of the high school. Roll call: Paul Klang-present, Megan Flatley-absent, Angie Davis-present, Jeff Richardson-present, Amanda Williams-present, Ryan Kern-absent, and Joe Lukaszweski-present.

Citizen Comments-None.

Motion by Williams, seconded by Lukaszewski to approve the consent agenda which includes minutes of the July 9, 2025, regular school board meeting, and the July 28, 2025, special board meeting. Motion carried.

Mr. Bastian gave the treasurer's report. The cash in bank report was also given.

Athletic Director's Report was given by Mr. Bastian. Our parent-athlete meeting on Monday, July 28th, was well-attended. Parents who did not attend were emailed a copy of the information that was presented at the meeting. High school football practice began on August 5th. We have two seniors, one junior, one sophomore, and three freshmen from Benton on the team. High school girls' golf has also begun. We have two students from our district who are participating. Middle school football practice begins on August 14th in Scales Mound. High school volleyball, middle school volleyball, and high school cross country begin on Monday, August 18th. Middle school cross country will begin on Monday, August 25th. Carl Liddicoat has done a tremendous job of maintaining the athletic field. We should be in good shape to host the first varsity football game on Friday, August 22nd.

Principal's report was given by Mrs. Lawrence. The district is preparing for the start of fall sports, drafting the School Library Plan, and drafting the Early Literacy Remediation Plan. Administration is working on confirming the in-service schedule for all staff along with scheduling paraprofessionals to ensure student needs are covered. We are setting up digital platforms and monitoring the status of all curriculum orders. Dual credit courses start next week for high school students.

Superintendent's report was given by Mr. Bastian. Mr. Bastian shared that EMC is fine-tuning the HVAC control system. Mrs. Kieler, Mr. Bockhop and Mr. Bastian have received two training sessions. The experience with EMC has been good. Mr. Bastian brought attention to the new interactive device that is in the commons area. This new device houses the Half of Fame, class pictures, and many other things. Thanks to Spooky Pinball, Kern Plumbing, the Benton State Bank, and the Benton Athletic Booster Club for funding the new addition. On August 13th, Mr. Bastian went to Southwest Tech

to pick up our Fork Farm which was awarded to the district for attending a conference earlier this spring. There was also a visit from Governor Evers, who helped Mr. Bastian carry the Fork Farm to the van.

Motion by Richardson, seconded by Klang to pay bills 39010 through 39074. Motion carried.

Motion by Klang, seconded by Richardson to approve the second reading of policies 0100 to 9151. Motion carried.

Motion by Lukaszewski, seconded by Williams to approve the Employee Handbook for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried.

Motion by Williams, seconded by Richardson to approve the Mentor Handbook for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried.

Motion by Klang, seconded by Lukaszewski to approve the Long-Term 10-year Capital Improvement Plan. Motion carried.

Motion by Richardson, seconded by Lukaszewski to approve the resignation of Nathan Schadle as custodian. Motion carried.

Motion by Lukaszewski, seconded by Klang to approve the resignation of Tanner Hogeboom as Middle School Football Coach. Motion carried.

Motion by Lukaszewski, seconded by Klang to approve the resignation of Andrew Ihm as the JV Boys Basketball Coach. Motion carried.

Motion by Klang, seconded by Richardson to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:37pm.

Amanda Williams, Clerk

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