

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
BENTON, WISCONSIN
SEPTEMBER 11, 2019**

President Ryan Carver 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, Jean O'Neill-present, Ryan Kern-present, Bob Knight-present, Brandi Miller-present, and Ryan Carver-present.

Citizen Comments: Jeff Droessler expressed gratitude to the board for the retention bonus.

Motion by Davis, seconded by O'Neill to approve the consent of agenda which includes the minutes of August 14, 2019 and August 19, 2019. Motion carried.

Administrator Todd Bastian gave the Treasurer's Report.

Athletic Director Kyle Kern reported the football tri-op is going smoothly. Gratitude was expressed to Scot Matye, Bill Keleher, Chris Lakner and village employees for work they have done at the football field. A WIAA meeting will be held on September 23, topics to be discussed are; proposed amendments for the Spring 2020 annual meeting, football conference updates, conference re-alignment application process, and bullying/hazing for transfers.

Principal Lisa Lawrence reported all students in grades 7-12 were issued a Chromebook this year. Online social studies textbook implementation has been very positive. There were ten staff members who participated in training for new staff and mentor program and six teacher who participated in the social studies in-service for grades K-4. There were four staff members who attended non-violent crisis intervention training. Anna Schnitzler and Stacy Casper conducted training for all PK-5 teachers on the implementation of Zones of Regulation. Our Chase 100 Program theme for this year is "Be Nice, Work Hard, Get Better" and soon will be underway.

Superintendent Todd Bastian reported we are off to a great new year with excellent staff and students. Our small school has a lot of opportunities not available at larger districts. The door system has been installed and key fobs will be issued to staff. An update on recent repairs was given. The State Education Convention will be held in Milwaukee on January 22-24. Board members interested in attending should let Mr. Bastian know. The students reacted positively to the detention/tardy policy and attendance has been good.

Motion by Coffey, seconded by Miller to pay bills #33515-33621. Motion carried.

Due to a publication error the Annual Meeting date has to be moved. Motion by O'Neill, seconded by Coffey to hold the Annual Meeting for the School District of Benton on October 2, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. with the budget hearing of the school District of Benton being held on October 2, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. Motion Carried.

Motion by Knight, seconded by O'Neill to approve Lucas Hendrickson and Cooper Houtakker to participate on the Benton Trapshooting Team. Motion carried.

Mr. Bastian reported we have one student participating in the Options in Education Program in Mineral Point. Options in Education is an alternative school.

Jeff Droessler addressed the board regarding starting an E-game sports team. The board requested more information regarding the rating of games, age appropriateness, violence, what rating system is followed. etc. Mr. Droessler will supply more information at the next meeting.

Motion by Davis, seconded by Miller to approve Jessica Richardson as a part-time special education aide. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the pickup/drop off at one location bussing policy. Board consensus was to not change the policy.

No resignations.

Future Meetings included the Budget Hearing on October 2, 2019 at 6:30 p.m., the Annual Meeting on October 2, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., and the regular board meeting on October 9 and 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Davis, seconded by Coffey to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Jean O'Neill, Clerk

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