

Benton County R-2 School District

Minutes – Regular Meeting

May 18, 2020

Board Members Present Board members present for the regular meeting on May 18, 2020 were Mehrens, Beaman, Rutherford, Parrott, Eichler, and Yearout. Ebeling was absent.

Also present were Kevin Smith, Marc Spunaugle, Becky Eifert and Michelle Smith

Call to Order President Mehrens declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Amendments to the Agenda No amendments were made to the agenda.

Citizens Comments There were no citizen comments.

Consent Agenda Copies of the May 18, 2020 agenda, the April 20, 2020 regular meeting minutes, the April 20, 2020 executive meeting minutes, and page 1 of the May 18, 2020 bills were mailed to board members prior to the meeting and were available for the public at the meeting. An additional page of bills was presented at the board meeting. Mr. Smith reviewed various bills. After questions and discussion, a motion was made by Eichler, seconded by Yearout to approve all items in the consent agenda as listed above. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.

a. May 18, 2020 board agenda

b. April 20, 2020 regular minutes

c. April 20, 2020 executive minutes

d. Payment of Bills Ebeling arrived at 7:08PM

Summer Maintenance Mr. Smith reported to board members on items included on the summer maintenance schedule. The gym floors were refinished in May and classroom floors will be waxed as usual. FACS classroom is being painted, football coaches have painted the locker room walls, and custodial staff will go in soon to epoxy the floor. Several classrooms and other areas are scheduled for painting. The elementary library has added new shelving and will be getting new carpet soon. Mr. Smith mentioned the Elementary gravel parking lot, he is going to get bids on repairs needed for better drainage and removing the fence. Also being looked into are “touchless” options for drinking fountains, faucets etc.

Administrator Reports Graduation will be held Friday, May 29th at the football field at 7PM, graduates will receive 10 tickets – each set of tickets will be sectioned together, and social distancing guidelines will be followed. All other patrons that wish to attend graduation will be seated in the visitor bleachers or in additional seating set up, following the social distancing guidelines. If the weather calls to bring graduation indoors, graduation will be in the big gym for invited guests only. At this time, Senior Prom is canceled due to social distancing guidelines. Mr. Smith shared the thoughts of what is being looked into for “touchless” options for moving forward, also shared information / scenarios that have been shared by MSBA, DESE and other school district agencies for school reopening this fall. Wednesday May 20th will be the last day for student meal delivery and pick up.

Mr. Spunaugle shared a senior parade route after graduation for patrons to congratulate seniors, the plan is to show it live on Facebook, and he has reached out to BCTV to broadcast. Mr. Spunaugle shared that senior 2020 Baccalaureate will be held Wednesday May 27th at 7PM at the football field weather permitting, if it is bad weather it will be moved to the First Baptist Church of Lincoln, following the social distancing guidelines as well.

Mrs. Eifert shared Kindergarten screening has been moved to July. Currently considering opening Pre School on June 1st, awaiting more guidance from Benton County Health Department.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Rutherford, seconded by Parrott at 7:37 P.M. to go to executive session for personnel matters (RSMo 610.021 (3 & 13), made a motion. Roll call vote of motion carried as follows: Yearout-yes; Eichler-yes; Ebeling-yes; Parrott-yes; Beaman-yes; Rutherford-yes; and Mehrens-yes. Total vote 7 yes, 0 no.

Board members returned from executive session at 7:58 P.M.

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made by Beaman, seconded by Eichler to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 P.M. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education