

Benton County R-2 School District

Minutes – Regular Meeting

April 18, 2016

Board Members Present Board members present for the regular meeting on April 18, 2016 were Mehrens, Gregory, Eckhoff, Beaman, Kroenke, and Sell. Swearngin was absent.

Also present were Kevin Smith, Marc Spunaugle, Becky Eifert, Clifford Yearout, and Carol Waibel. Cindy Carpenter was present to observe the meeting for her class at SFCC.

Call to Order President Mehrens declared a quorum present, welcomed visitors and called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

Amendments to the Agenda There were no amendments to the agenda.

Citizens Comments There were no citizens comments made.

Certification of Election Results/Oath of Office The attached Certifications of Election held on April 5, 2016 were read. Because there were only two filers for the two open board positions, no election was required. Dwight Kroenke and Clifford Yearout will serve as board members for the next three years. A motion was made by Beaman, seconded by Eckhoff to approve the attached Certifications of Election held on April 5, 2016. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.

The oath of office was administered by board secretary, Carol Waibel to Dwight Kroenke and Clifford Yearout, and they continued as board members.

Board Reorganization Mr. Smith conducted the meeting for nominations for Board President.

Kroenke made a motion to nominate John M. Mehrens, Jr. for Board President. Nomination seconded by Eckhoff. Motion carried 6 yes, 1 abstain by Mehrens.

John M. Mehrens, Jr. then conducted the rest of the meeting as Board President.

Beaman made a motion to nominate Kroenke for Board Vice-President. Nomination seconded by Sell. Motion carried 6 yes, 1 abstain by Kroenke. Kroenke assumed his position as Vice-President of the Board.

A motion was made by Parrott, seconded by Sell to appoint Carol Waibel as board secretary and board treasurer. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

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- Consent Agenda
- a. April 18, 2016 board agenda
 - b. March 23, 2016 regular meeting minutes
 - c. March 23, 2016 executive meeting minutes
 - d. Payment of Bills
- Copies of the April 18, 2016 agenda, the March 23, 2016 regular meeting minutes, the March 23, 2016 executive meeting minutes, and pages 1 and 2 of the April 18, 2016 bills were mailed to board members prior to the meeting and were available for the public at the meeting. An additional page 3 for April 18, 2016 bills was presented at the meeting. Mr. Smith reviewed various bills. After questions and discussion, a motion was made by Eckhoff, seconded by Parrott to approve all items in the consent agenda as listed above. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

- Program Evaluations
- a. ESL/LEP
 - b. Homeless/Migrant
 - c. Nutrition Services
- Mr. Smith provided information about the ESL/LEP (English as a Second Language/Limited English Proficient) program. Students are identified on enrollment paperwork when they are new to the district or by teacher referrals if they are current students. Services are provided if needed.

The Homeless/Migrant program was discussed. Services are provided for students when necessary. Students are identified either through enrollment paperwork or referrals.

The district's Nutrition Services was discussed. The district has 63% of students approved for free or reduced meals. Breakfast participation rates have decreased to 38%. Lunch participation has decreased to 79% this year from 80% last year.

A motion was made by Sell, seconded by Beaman to approve the ESL/LEP, Homeless/Migrant, and Nutrition Services program evaluation as presented and discussed at the meeting. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

- Administrator Reports
- Mr. Smith shared information about recent fishing tournament in which our fishing team participated. He also shared information regarding re-finishing the high school gym floor. Additional information will be provided at a later meeting. Mr. Smith shared that he, Mrs. Eifert, and Mrs. Reese are looking into the requirements for a Title I preschool program.

Mr. Spunaugle reported on high school student activities and upcoming events that will be held. Attendance for March was 94% with 222 student enrolled in grades 7-12. Prom was held April 2. Other activities include FFA awards, baseball/softball updates, golf team won the conference championship with a school record score, and the baseball conference tournament begins Saturday. May 5 is Cardinal Night. Baccalaureate is May 8 with Graduation on May 13. Other events are posted on the district website

Mrs. Eifert reported on elementary student activities. Students are MAP testing now and end of year activities are being planned. Attendance for March was 95% with an enrollment of 252 for grades K-6. May17 is preschool graduation.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Kroenke, seconded by Sell to go to executive session at 8:15 P.M. for personnel matters (RSMo 610.021 (3 & 13) and student matters (RSMo 610.021 (6)). Roll call vote of motion carried as follows: Yearout-yes; Sell-yes; Parrott-yes; Beaman-yes; Eckhoff-yes; Kroenke-yes; and Mehrens-yes. Total vote 7 yes, 0 no.

Board members returned from executive session at 8:50 P.M.

Adjournment

There being no further business a motion was made by Kroenke, seconded by Parrott to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 P.M. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education

