

- Board Members Present** Board members present for the regular meeting on June 15, 2020 were Mehrens, Parrott, Eichler and Yearout. Rutherford, Beaman and Ebeling were absent
- Also present were Kevin Smith, Marc Spunaugle, Becky Eifert, and Michelle Smith.
- Karen Reese, Special Services Director and Title 1 Coordinator for the district, Melinda Strathman, and Brett Reese were also present at the meeting.
- Call to Order** President Mehrens declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
- Amendments to the Agenda** Need to add Administrative Reports to the agenda.
- Citizens Comment** There was no citizens comments.
- Certification of Election Results/Oath of Office** The attached Certifications of Election held on June 2, 2020 were read. Because there were four filers for the three open board positions, an election was required. Kyle Eichler, Dusty Koll, and Susyn Sanders will serve as board members for the next three years. A motion was made by Yearout, seconded by Parrott to approve the attached Certifications of Election held on June 2, 2020. Motion carried 4 ayes, 0 nays.
- The oath of office was administered by board secretary, Michelle Smith to Kyle Eichler, Dusty Koll, and Susyn Sanders and they continued as and became board members.
- Board Reorganization** Mr. Smith conducted the meeting for nominations for Board President.
- Eichler made a motion to nominate Mehrens for Board President. Nomination seconded by Yearout. No other nominations were received. Motion carried 5 yes, 1 abstain by Mehrens.
- Mehrens, then conducted the rest of the meeting as Board President.
- Koll made a motion to nominate Yearout for Board Vice-President. Nomination seconded by Eichler. No other nominations were received. Motion carried 5 yes, 0 nays. 1 abstain by Yearout. At the next meeting, Yearout will assume his position as Vice-President of the Board.
- A motion was made by Eichler, seconded by Parrott to appoint Michelle Smith as board secretary and board treasurer. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.

Benton County R-2 School District

Minutes – Regular Meeting

June 15, 2020

- Consent Agenda
- a. June 15, 2020 board agenda
 - b. May 18, 2020 regular meeting minutes
 - c. May 18, 2020 executive meeting minutes
 - d. Payment of Bills
- Copies of the June 15, 2020 agenda, the May 18, 2020 regular meeting minutes, the May 18, 2020 executive meeting minutes, and pages 1 and 2 of the June 15, 2020 bills were mailed to board members prior to the meeting and were available for the public at the meeting. An additional page 3 for June 15, 2020 bills was presented at the meeting. Mr. Smith reviewed various bills. A motion was made by Parrott, seconded by Eichler to approve all items in the consent agenda as discussed and listed above. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.
- Program Evaluations
- a. Title Programs
 - b. Special Education Report
- The attached Title I Program Evaluation – June 2020 was reviewed by the board members at the meeting. Program Coordinator Karen Reese reviewed various items included in the evaluation.
- The attached Special Education Board Report June 2020 was prepared by Karen Reese, Special Education Coordinator. Mrs. Reese discussed information included in the report. Questions presented were answered.
- A motion was made by Eichler, seconded by Yearout to approve the Title Programs and Special Education Report Program Evaluations as presented. Motion carried 8 ayes, 0 nays.
- Karen Reese and Brett Reese left the meeting.
- 2019 – 2020 Budget
- a. Amend Budget
- The amended budget for the 2019-2020 school year was received. Total revenues budgeted to date are \$5,059,857.95 and total expenditures budgeted to date are \$5,131,318.72. These figures will be amended after final payments are received. After discussion a motion made by Parrott, seconded by Sanders to approve the amended 2019-2020 budget as presented with the final numbers to be determined on June 30, 2020, at which time actuals will become budgeted figures. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.
- Food Service Meal Prices
- The National School Lunch Program that controls requirements for the free and reduced price meal program is requiring school districts to increase full cost lunch prices for the 2020-2021 school year. The price for high school lunch for 2020-2021 will be \$2.55; and the price for elementary lunch will be \$2.35. Reduced price lunch will remain at 40 cents. The price for a second lunch will also increase to \$2.95; adult lunches will be \$3.50 for the 2020-2021 school year. After discussion, a motion was made by Parrott, seconded by Sanders to set full price high school lunch cost to \$2.55; and full price elementary lunch cost to \$2.35 for the 2020-2021 school year. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.

Transportation

Mr. Smith shared information regarding the 2020-2021 bus routes, no changes at this time from previous school year and CTC Route and presented the information for approval. Also discussed was the lease extension for bus #24 and the return of leased bus #25 and a replacement that would be delivered. After questions and discussion, a motion was made by Eichler, seconded by Koll to approve the 2020-2021 bus routes. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.

Student Handbooks
2020-2021

Mr. Smith stated that there are no updated changes for the student handbook at this time. Staff, students, and parents will be informed of any changes prior to the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year.

After discussion of the proposed changes, a motion was made by Yearout, seconded by Eichler to approve the Elementary and High School Student Handbooks for the 2020-2021 school year with any changes to be discussed next month. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.

Melinda Strathman left the meeting

Support Staff Salaries,
Extra Duty/Extended
Days Schedule, and
Administrative Salaries

The salary information was presented by Mr. Smith for the support staff salary schedules to remain as approved from the 2019-2020 school year for Paraprofessionals and Bus Drivers to receive a step increase if applicable or remain at the current step as they move every two years according to procedures. Mr. Smith presented salary information for Support Staff and Administrative staff who do not have salary schedules to remain as the 2019-2020 receiving a 1% increase equivalent to step increases for the 2020-2021 school year. Motion by Eichler, seconded by Parrott, to approve the salary information as presented for the 2020-2021 school year. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.

2020-2021 Budget

The proposed preliminary budget for the 2020-2021 school year was presented to board members. Total budgeted revenues are \$5,265,921.00 and total budgeted expenses are \$4,934,056.00. Mr. Smith reviewed items included in various areas of the budget. The budget will continue to be reviewed as additional information on funding is received from the state and county. The reserve balance at the end of the 2020-2021 year is estimated to be just above 24% percent. After questions and discussion a motion was made by Parrott, seconded by Eichler to approve the 2020-2021 budget as presented. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.

Administrative Reports

Mr. Smith shared information regarding the Preschool building. The backside of the building is showing rafters sagging; siding is pulling away from the building etc. Mr. Smith feels that the program is a good program and does not want to see it end, he will be moving the current children enrolled into the Elementary building temporarily in the next week, at which time he will then have the current building looked at for repairs, and report back to the board next month. Mr. Smith shared also that he has a state meeting with DESE this week for reentry for the school year. Items such as hands free cleaning stations, water bottle stations etc; will be coming about in the buildings and other information will be learned in the meeting

that he will share at the next meeting. Current plan as of now is to continue and begin school following our calendar beginning August 25th, this can change depending on the State recommendations, but as of June 16th, Benton County Health Department states that Benton County is fully open. Mr. Smith also shared he will be attending MSHSAA meetings this week, he still serves a member of the board and will share information as he can with the board.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Eichler, seconded by Yearout at 8:22 P.M. to go to executive session for personnel matters (RSMo 610.021 (3)). Roll call vote of motion carried as follows: Koll-yes; Eichler-yes; Sanders-yes; Parrott-yes; Rutherford-absent; Yearout-yes; and Mehrens-yes. Total vote 6 yes, 0 no.

Board members returned from executive session at 8:51 P.M.

Adjournment

There being no further business a motion was made by Eichler, seconded by Yearout to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 P.M. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education