## Benton School District Benton Board of Education 03/13/2017 05:30 PM <br> Meeting Minutes <br> Printed : 4/4/2017 10:30 AM CST <br> Professional Development Center <br> 211 North Border

## Attendees - voting members

Jarrod Hambric
Randy Mitchell Dio Vannucci Jonathan Woolbright

Vice President
Board Member
Board Member
President
I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Jonathan Woolbright, Board President.
II. Establishment of Quorum

Members present: Jarrod Hambric, Randy Mitchell, Dio Vannucci, and Jonathan Woolbright.

Members absent: Jeff Morrow, Heath Nix, and Jackie Sasfai.

## III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. District News - Panther Pride
A. MLK Essay Contest Winners Announced
B. BHS FBLA District Winners
C. Thespian Troupe 5779

1. State Thespian Festival Gold Troupe
2. All State Cast of Troupe 5779
3. All State Crew Troupe 5779
4. Special Recognition
D. Grand Award - Mrs. Donna Smith
E. 5th Grade Quiz Bowl Winners
F. Dance Team - State Runner-up
G. Wrestling Honor
H. Chess Team Honor
V. Consent Agenda

Consent agenda items were considered.
Dio Vannucci made a motion at 5:52 p.m. to accept the consent agenda items as presented.

Randy Mitchell seconded the motion.
All members voted in favor. Motion Passed.
A. Reading of Previous Minutes
B. Financial Reports - Laura Baber
C. Approval of Gifts/Donations - Laura Baber

## VI. Action Items

A. Tamme Adams - PPC Representative

At 5:52, Tamme Adams was granted permission to address the Board. Ms. Adams noted that she is the Personnel Policy Committee (PPC) Chair person and that she was addressing the Board in that capacity.

Ms. Adams presented a request to change policy 3.54 to include 5 th and 6th grade teachers. She informed the Board that the PPC committee passed this request unanimously in the February 2017 meeting.

After some discussion, at 6:16 p.m. Randy Mitchell made a motion to put the policy request on a 30 day read so the Board Members could review and research what would be best for the District.

Dio Vannucci seconded the motion.
Members voted unanimously in favor of putting the policy change request on a 30 day read.
B. Approval to Pay QSCB Interest \& Fees-Laura Baber

Laura Baber presented a request to pay the QSCB interest and fee payment. She stated that invoice had not been received but would have to be paid before the next Board Meeting.

At 6:18 p.m. Jarrod Hambric made a motion to approve payment for April 15th as requested.

Randy Mitchell seconded the motion.
All members voted in favor. Motion Passed.
C. Approve Final Audit - Laura Baber

Mr. Michael Cobb, representing Cobb and Suskie, Ltd, presented to the Board the Final Audit of 2016. He stated that the audit revealed no findings.

Mrs. Baber requested the Board approve the 2016 Audit.
The motion was made by Dio Vannucci at 6:25 p.m. to approve the final audit as presented.

The motion was seconded by Jarrod Hambric.
All members voted in favor. Motion Passed.
D. Approval of 7th Grade Athletics Program-Scott Neathery

Scott Neathery, Athletic Director, requested the Board approve the request to begin an 7th grade Athletic program.

Randy Mitchell made a motion to approve 7th grade athletics as requested for the 2017-18 school year at 6:27 p.m.

Dio Vannucci seconded the motion.
The vote was unanimous. Motion Passed.
E. Adoption of District Policy Changes - 30 Day Read - Lita Gattis

Lita Gattis requested proposed policy changes be put on a 30 day read and presented for approval at the April Board Meeting.

At 6:28, Jarrod Hambric made motion to approve as requested.
Randy Mitchell seconded the motion.
All members voted in favor. Motion passed.
F. Student Transfer Requests - Lita Gattis

Lita Gattis requested the Board to approve the Board to Board transfers as presented.

Dio Vannucci made motion at 6:30 p.m. to approve the transfers as requested.

Randy Mitchell seconded the motion.
Members voted unanimously to approve. Motion Passed.
G. Approve 2017-2018 District Calendar

Lita Gattis asked the Board to approve the calendar for 2017-2018. The calendar request had been on a 30 day read from the February meeting.

At 6:32 Dio Vannucci made motion to approve the calendar as presented.
Randy Mitchell seconded the motion.
All members voted in favor. Motion Passed.

## VII. Executive Session (If needed)

No executive session needed.
VIII. Personnel Recommendations/HR Report -Lita Gattis
IX. Department Reports
A. Facilities Report - Kevin Chastain
B. Curriculum \& Instruction - Karla Neathery
C. Transportation Report- Dan Revis
D. Athletics Report - Scott Neathery
E. Child Nutrition/Food Service Report - Martha Nehus
F. Special Education - Angie McWhorter
G. Technology - Sherri Fite
H. Academic Services (CTE/GT/Special Programs) - Angie Dischinger
I. Human Resources/Admin \& Student Services - Lita Gattis
X. Superintendent-Upcoming Dates to Remember
A. March 15, 2017 - Public Meeting - 8:00 a.m.
B. March 16, 2017 - Public Meeting 5:30 p.m.
C. March 20-24, 2017-Spring Break
D. March 28, 2017 - Public Meeting 5:30 p.m.
E. March 30, 2017-Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30-7:30 p.m.
F. March 31, 2017 - No students, PD Day
G. April 10, 2017 - Board Meeting
H. April 21, 2017 -Lunch with the Board at Middle School

## XI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

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Benton Board of Education 03/29/2017 05:00 PM<br>Professional Development Center<br>211 North Border Street<br>Benton, AR

No Attendees

## I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Jonathan Woolbright, Board President, at 5:06.
II. Establishment of Quorum

All Board members were present.

## III. Personnel Hearing - Private

Rebekah Bennett requested the hearing be closed. Hearing began at 5:07 p.m.
The hearing ended at 9:00 and the Board took a short break.

## IV. Executive Session

9:05 p.m. the Board went into executive session and returned to open session at 10:06 p.m.
V. Board Recommendation

At 10:06, Jeff Morrow made motion to find reason \#1 set forth by the Superintendent for the recommended non-renewal of the employment contract of Ms. Rebakah Bennett to be true.

Randy Mitchell seconded the motion.
Jeff Morrow, Randy Mitchell, Jackie Sasfai, and Jonathan Woolbright voted in favor.

Dio Vannucci, Jarrod Hambric, and Heath Nix were against.
Motion Passed.
10:07 Heath Nix made a motion to Modify the recommendation of the Superintendent to include the following:

Rebekah Bennett to be suspended without pay until June 30, 2017.
Rebekah Bennett is to complete Professional Development as recommended.
Rebekah Bennett is to be evaluated by a Professional Counselor and provide evaluation to the Board before returning to classroom.

Motion was seconded by Dio Vannucci.
Members voting in favor of the modification were Heath Nix, Dio Vannucci, Jonathan Woolbright, Jarrod Hambric, and Jeff Morrow

Members voting against the modification were Jackie Sasfai and Randy Mitchell.

Motion Passed.

## VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:08.

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Benton Board of Education - Workshop 04/06/2017 04:15 PM<br>Chenault Administration Building<br>207 W. Conway Street

No Attendees
I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:18 p.m.
II. Establishment of Quorum

Board Members Present: Jarrod Hambric, Randy Mitchell, Jackie Sasfai, and Dio Vannucci

Board Members Absent: Jeff Morrow, Heath Nix, and Jonathan Woolbright

## III. Information Items and Reports

A. Handbook Updates

This meeting was a workshop to review possible handbook changes for the 2017-18 school year.

No action was taken.

## IV. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

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Benton Board of Education-Food Service Presentations 04/07/2017 08:30 AM<br>Professional Development Center 211 North Border Street Benton, AR

No Attendees

## I. Call to Order

The meeting began at 8:34 a.m.
II. Establishment of Quorum

Board Members present: Dio Vannucci, Jonathan Woolbright, and Jeff Morrow.
Board Members absent: Jarrod Hambric, Randy Mitchell, Heath Nix, and Jackie Sasfai

Jeff Morrow left meeting at 10:00 and returned at 10:39 then left at 11:44.

## III. Presentations from Food Service Outsourcing Candidates

8:35
Aramark Presentation

- Intro of Staff
- Overview of Company
- Proposal Highlights
- Food Tasting
- Question/Answer

10:00 Break
10:37
Chartwells Presentation

- Intro of Staff
- Overview of Company
- Food Tasting with chef giving details of food prep
- Proposal Highlights
- Question/Answer
IV. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:02.

