

Benton School District

Benton Board of Education

01/13/2020 05:30 PM

Professional Development Center

211 North Border

Printed : 1/16/2020 9:11 AM CST

I. Call to Order**II. Establishment of Quorum****III. Pledge of Allegiance****IV. District News - Panther Pride**

- A. BMS Elf Club and Sponsors - Mr. Quinn
- B. Perrin Chess Winner - Stacye Shelnut

V. 2020 Master Plan Public Hearing and Comment - Dr. Charles Stein**VI. Informational**

- A. Board Training hours/Board Appreciation Month

VII. Consent Agenda

- A. Reading of Previous Minutes
- B. Financial Reports
- C. Approval of Gifts/Donations
- D. Hazard Mitigation Plan Resolution (continuation)

VIII. Action Items

- A. Approve change orders - Kevin Chastain
 - 1. Professional Development Re-Roof
 - 2. Benton Arena & Auditorium Maintenance Repairs
 - 3. Angie Grant Elementary Dining Renovation
- B. Approve Payment of School Board Legal Liability and Employment Practices Coverage - Chris Hinson
- C. Student Transfer Requests - Dr. Larry Smith
- D. Approve 2020-2021 Calendar - Dr. Larry Smith

IX. Executive Session**X. Personnel Recommendations/HR Report - Dr. Larry Smith****XI. Department Reports**

- A. Elementary Education - Dr. Kim Anderson
- B. Secondary Education/CTE - Dr. Eric Saunders
- C. Special Education - Angie McWhorter
- D. Athletics Report - Scott Neathery
- E. Child Nutrition/Food Service Report - Stacey Adams
- F. Facilities Report - Kevin Chastain
- G. Transportation Report- Danny Revis
- H. Technology - Isabella Bradley
- I. Human Resources/Admin & Student Services - Dr. Larry Smith

XII. Student Disciplinary Hearing

- A. Student #701097
- B. Student #12024

XIII. Superintendent's Report

- A. January 29, 2020 @ 11:30 a.m. - Lunch with the Board at BHS
- B. January 31, 2020 - Statement of Financial Interest filing deadline
- C. February 10, 2020 - Regular Board Meeting
- D. February 13, 2020 - ASBA School Law Seminar at NLR Wyndham Riverfront

XIV. Personnel Employee Grievance**XV. Adjournment**

Benton School District**Meeting Minutes****Printed : 1/27/2020 3:09 PM CST****Benton Board of Education Special Meeting****01/24/2020 03:30 PM**

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211 N Border

Benton, AR 72015

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by board president, Dio Vannucci at 3:34 for a student disciplinary hearing.

II. Establishment of Quorum

Board members present: Paul Childress, Chris Ledbetter, Holley Little, Randy Mitchell, Dio Vannucci, and Jonathan Woolbright.

Jarrold Hambric was absent.

III. Student Disciplinary Hearing**A. Student 111803**

The parent requested a closed hearing.

The board went to executive session at 3:56 and reconvened at 4:14.

4:14, Jonathan Woolbright made motion for suspended expulsion for one calendar year. The student will attend Fusion Academy for the remainder of this school year, and return to previous campus next year provided all criteria are met.

Randy Mitchell seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

B. Student 701504

The parent requested a closed hearing.

The board went to executive session at 4:31 and reconvened at 4:37.

4:37, the motion was made for one year suspended expulsion.

The board recessed at 4:38 until 5:00 p.m.

IV. Personnel Employee Grievance

5:00, The board reconvened for an open hearing at the request of the employee. Board President read a statement to the board at the advise of ASBA legal counsel, Kristen Garner. He stated that the reason for the hearing is simply to decide if the Grievance is grievable, If it is voted by the board to be grievable, the hearing would be at the next board meeting, February 10, 2020. He also stated that Ms. Garner warned that hearing a grievance based on this situation would damper and even take all power and trust away from district administration as well as building level administrators. He then asked for a motion.

5:05, Randy Mitchell made motion that the grievance is not grievable.

Chris Ledbetter seconded the motion.

Aye - Chris Ledbetter, Randy Mitchell, and Dio Vannucci

Nay - Paul Childress, Holley Little, and Jonathan Woolbright.

At that point, there was question as what to do next, so the board recessed at 5:22 to research policy and to consult legal counsel. The board reconvened at 5:37.

Mr. Vannucci asked for a motion for the grievance to be grievable.

5:39, Paul Childress made motion that the board should hear the grievance.

Jonathan Woolbright seconded the motion.

Aye - Paul Childress, Holley Little, and Jonathan Woolbright.

Nay - Chris Ledbetter, Randy Mitchell, and Dio Vannucci.

Mr. Vannucci announced that as per ASBA Attorney, both motions were defeated; therefore, the board is at a deadlock so the decision reverts back to the superintendent.

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:39.

President

Secretary

Benton School District

Meeting Minutes

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Benton Board of Education Lunch with the Board

01/29/2020 11:30 AM

Benton High School

211 North Border Street

Benton, AR 72015

I. Lunch at Benton High School

Board members met at BHS and enjoyed lunch in the cafeteria at 11:30 a.m.

- A. Following lunch the board will move to the Professional Development Center for a student discipline hearing.

II. Call to Order

The board gathered at the Professional Development Center for a student disciplinary hearing at 12:30.

III. Establishment of Quorum

Board members present: Paul Childress, Jarrod Hambric, Chris Ledbetter, Holley Little, Dio Vannucci, Jonathan Woolbright.

Board member absent: Randy Mitchell

IV. Student Discipline Hearing

The student closed hearing began at 12:32.

The board went to executive session at 12:43 and reconvened at 1:03.

1:04, Dio Vannucci made motion for suspended expulsion for one year, with stipulations agreed upon by board and parent.

Jarrold Hambric seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

V. Executive Session (not on agenda prior to meeting)

1:05, the board returned to executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

The board reconvened at 3:08 with no decisions made.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:08.

President

Secretary