

**Benton School District**

**Meeting Minutes**

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**Benton Board of Education**

**06/08/2020 05:30 PM**

Professional Development Center  
211 North Border

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I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by board president, Dio Vannucci, at 5:31 p.m.

II. Establishment of Quorum

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

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. District Recognition/Panther Pride

A. CKH Showcase Schools

Dr. Kim Anderson recognized three elementary schools for being chosen as Capturing Kids Hearts Showcase Schools. Diane Lovell was present representing Caldwell Elementary, Beverly Mayfield was present representing Ringgold Elementary, and Stacye Shelnut was present representing Perrin Elementary.

B. Teacher of the Year

Benton School District Teacher of the year is Lacey Glidewell.

V. Consent Agenda

5:33, Paul Childress made motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Jarrod Hambric seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

A. Reading of Previous Minutes

B. Financial Reports

- C. Approval of Gifts/Donations
- D. Approval of Superintendent as Ex Officio Financial Secretary
- E. Approval of Mike Skelton, Superintendent, as Co-Op Representative
- F. Approval of MacBook Lease Payment (Third Installment)
- G. Federal Programs Statement of Assurances
- H. Approve Memorandum of Understanding Between U of A Pulaski Technical College Career Center and BSD
- I. 2020-21 Board Meeting Dates

#### VI. Action Items

- A. Approve BJH IPAD purchase - Isabella Bradley  
Isabella Bradley presented the quote for purchase of IPADs for BJH. She explained that this purchase also included training for staff so they could better assist students.  
5:37, Randy Mitchell made motion to approve the purchase of IPADs for BJH. Holley Little seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- B. Internet Content Filtering - Isabella Bradley  
Isabella Bradley presented the board with the information regarding filtering the internet to protect our students.  
5:38, Dio Vannucci made motion to approve Action Item B. Randy Mitchell seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- C. Approval of Debt Service Payments for 2020-21 - Chris Hinson  
Chris Hinson presented the schedule of Debt Service Payments for 2020-21 for approval.  
5:39, Jonathan Woolbright made motion to approve the payments for 2020-21.  
Chris Ledbetter seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

D. Proposed Budget of Expenditures 2021-22 - Chris Hinson

Chris Hinson presented the proposed budget of expenditures for 2021-22. He explained that this is estimated but it required before the board elections.

5:40, Paul Childress made motion to approve as presented.

Chris Ledbetter seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

E. Approve 2020-21 Student Handbook - Dr. Eric Saunders

Dr. Saunders presented the changes to the student handbook for 2020-21 school year.

5:42, Randy Mitchell made motion to approve the 2020-21 student handbook.

Dio Vannucci seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

F. Approve Policy changes to Section 4 - Dr. Eric Saunders

Dr. Saunders presented the proposed policy changes to Section 4.

5:44, Dio Vannucci made motion to approve as presented.

Jonathan Woolbright seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

G. Change Order for 9th Grade Expansion - Kevin Chastain

Kevin Chastain present the change order for the 9th grade expansion to include parking lot at the arena. There will bo no extra funds needed.

5:45, Randy Mitchell made motion to approve the change order.

Holley Little seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

H. Boys and Girls Club Building Improvements - Kevin Chastain

Kevin Chastain presented the information for improvements to the Boys and Girls Club Building including roof, paint, and various other needs.

5:49, Paul Childress made motion to approve.

Dio Vannucci seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

I. Angie Grant Canopies - Kevin Chastain

Kevin Chastain presented the request for canopies and sidewalks at Angie Grant Elementary.

5:49, Dio Vannucci made motion to approve as presented.

Randy Mitchell seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

VII. Executive Session (if needed)

The Board went to executive session at 5:49 to discuss personnel and resumed the meeting at 6:09.

- VIII. Personnel Recommendations/HR Report - Dr. Larry Smith  
6:10, Chris Ledbetter made motion to approve the personnel recommendations.  
Dio Vannucci seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- IX. Motion to amend the Agenda  
6:10, Dio Vannucci made motion to amend the agenda to add the contract for Salt Creek Property.  
Chris Ledbetter seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- X. Approval of Contract to sell Property at 5838 Salt Creek Road  
6:10, Jarrod Hambric made motion to approve the sale of property at 5838 Salt Creek Road.  
Randy Mitchell seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- XI. Department Reports
- A. Facilities Report - Kevin Chastain
  - B. Transportation Report - Danny Revis
  - C. Athletics Report - Scott Neathery
  - D. Child Nutrition/Food Service Report - Stacey Adams
  - E. Special Education - Angie McWhorter
  - F. Technology - Isabella Bradley
  - G. Elementary Education - Dr. Kim Anderson
  - H. Secondary Education - Dr. Eric Saunders
  - I. Human Resources/Admin & Student Services - Dr. Larry Smith

## XII. Upcoming Dates to Remember

- A. July 11, 2020 - Graduation (Benton Athletic Facility)
- B. July 13, 2020 - Regular School Board Meeting

## XIII. Student Discipline Hearings

The Board recessed to prepare for the first student hearing at 6:11 and reconvened at 6:17.

### A. Student #601179

The student, parent, and legal representation requested a closed hearing. The Board went to executive session at 6:37 and reconvened at 6:50. Paul Childress made motion to amend the recommendation of administration to time served. Student will be allowed to attend school for 2020-21 school year. Dio Vannucci seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

### B. Student #101862

The student and parent requested a closed hearing. 7:00, Dio Vannucci made motion to modify the recommendations of administration to time served. Jarrod Hambric seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

## XIV. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

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President

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Secretary