

**Benton School District**

**Meeting Minutes**

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**Benton Board of Education**

**03/09/2020 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 5:30 p.m.

II. Establishment of Quorum

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

Board members absent: Holley Little

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. District News - Panther Pride

A. Saline Memorial Presentation - Isabella Bradley

B. Prudential Spirit Local Honoree - Curt Barger

C. National Merit Finalist - Curt Barger

D. President's Service Award - Curt Barger

E. All Region Honor Band - Curt Barger

F. All Region Jazz Honor Band - Curt Barger

G. All State Honor Band - Curt Barger

H. Arkansas Governor's Young Artist Exhibition - Curt Barger

I. BJH Quiz Bowl - Chad Pitts

J. BJH Student Spotlight Students of the month - Chad Pitts

V. Consent Agenda

5:46, Paul Childress made motion to approve the consent agenda.  
Randy Mitchell seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

A. Reading of Previous Minutes

B. Financial Reports

C. Approval of Gifts/Donations

D. Approve Aramark Invoices for December 2019 and January 2020

E. Approve Arch Ford renewal contract/payment for 2020-21 School Year

F. Approve SRO 4th Quarter Invoice

VI. Action Items

A. Contract Disclosure/Resolutions - Chris Hinson

1. Rejena Hairston

Chris Hinson presented the contract disclosure and resolution for Rejena Hairston.

5:48, Jonathan Woolbright made motion to approve action item A1.  
Jarrod Hambric seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Trena Slaughter

Chris Hinson presented the contract disclosure and resolution for Trena Slaughter.

5:49, Jonathan Woolbright made motion to approve action item A2.  
Randy Mitchell seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

B. Approve BHS Cafeteria/Kitchen Project - Kevin Chastain

Kevin Chastain presented the proposed BHS Cafeteria/Kitchen project.  
5:55, Dio Vannucci made motion to approve action item B as presented.  
Randy Mitchell seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

C. Approve Bus Purchase - Danny Revis

Danny Revis presented the request to purchase two buses.  
5:56, Dio Vannucci made motion to approve as presented.  
Jarrod Hambric seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

D. Approve purchase of weight training equipment - Scott Neathery

Scott Neathery presented the request to purchase weight training equipment.  
5:59, Paul Childres made motion to approve as presented.  
Chris Ledbetter seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

E. Adoption of a proposed policy to rescind sections 3 and 8 of the current policy manual in order to adopt the Arkansas School Board Association Model Policies, sections 3 and 8 - Dr. Larry Smith

Dr. Larry Smith presented action item E to rescind policies in sections 3 and 8 of the current policy manual as per request of the board on the advise of Kristen Garner, ASBA attorney.  
6:07, Dio Vannucci made motion to adopt as a proposed policy that we rescind the entirety of sections 3 and 8 of the policy manual, which constitutes the entirety of the district's personnel policies for licensed and classified staff members with the exception of policies 3.08, 3.09, 3.11, 8.05, 8.06, and 8.07 which will be retained in their previous forms with the exception of the numbering with the purpose of bringing BPS policies into compliance with the ASBA model policies, which means our policies will be identical or virtually identical to those in all other Arkansas school districts. He moved that the policies mentioned above will be renumbered to 3.8B, 3.9B, 3.11B, 8.5B, 8.6B, and 8.7B.  
Randy Mitchell seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

VII. Executive Session

The board went to executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel at 6:08 and reconvened at 7:26.

VIII. Personnel Recommendations/HR Report - Dr. Larry Smith

Dr. Larry Smith presented administrations personnel recommendations.  
7:26, Randy Mitchell made motion to approve the personnel recommendations as

presented.

Jonathan Woolbright seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

IX. Department Reports

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

X. Superintendent - Upcoming Dates to Remember

- A. March 10, 2020- Chamber Banquet 5:30-Ginger Zee at 6:30
- B. March 18, 2020 -Lunch with the Board at Ringgold Elementary
- C. March 19, 2020 - Elementary Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30 - 7:30 p.m.
- D. March 23 - 27, 2020 - Spring Break
- E. April 3, 2020 Kindergarten Round Up at PDC

F. April 10, 2020 - Good Friday, No school

G. April 13, 2020 - Board Meeting

XI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:27.

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President

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Secretary