

The Benton County R-2 School District board members continued the meeting in executive session on March 20, 2023 beginning at 7:53P.M. Board members present were Yearout, Parrott, Rutherford, Sanders, Eichler, Koll, and Smallwood.

Kevin Smith, Adam Curtis, Becky Eifert, and Michelle Smith were also present.

Mr. Smith shared a letter of resignation from Timothy Borman. A motion was made by Sanders, seconded by Eichler to accept the resignation as presented. Roll call vote of motion carried as follows: Smallwood-yes; Koll-yes; Eichler-yes; Sanders-yes; Rutherford-yes; Parrott-yes; and Yearout-yes; Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

Mr. Smith shared an anticipated resignation from Sarah Beaman. A motion was made by Parrott, seconded by Rutherford to accept the anticipated resignation as presented. Roll call vote of motion carried as follows: Smallwood-yes; Koll-yes; Eichler-yes; Sanders-yes; Rutherford-yes; Parrott-yes; and Yearout-yes; Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

Mr. Smith shared that the High School Math teacher position is currently being filled with a Long Term Substitute teacher. The position is currently open and applications are being accepted.

Mr. Smith requested permission from the board to hire the best candidate for Elementary Counselor, Elementary Classroom Teacher and HS Math Teacher. A motion made by Smallwood, seconded by Eichler to allow the hiring of the best candidate for the various open positions for the 2023-2024 school year. Roll call vote of motion carried as follows: Smallwood-yes; Koll-yes; Eichler-yes; Sanders-yes; Rutherford-yes; Parrott-yes; and Yearout-yes; Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

High School principal, Adam Curtis, reported on Amanda Meyer and Brandi Rath's evaluation and recommends a tenure teacher contract be offered to both Amanda Meyer and Brandi Rath for the 2023-2024 school year. After discussion a motion was made by Parrott, seconded by Smallwood to offer a tenure teacher contracts as presented. Roll call vote of motion carried as follows: Smallwood-yes; Koll-yes; Eichler-yes; Sanders-yes; Rutherford-yes; Parrott-yes; and Yearout-yes; Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

Elementary principal, Becky Eifert, reported on Renae Denny, Heather Kessing and Shawn Rhoades's evaluation and recommends a tenure teacher contract be offered to Renae Denny, Heather Kessing and Shawn Rhoades for the 2023-2024 school year. After discussion a motion was made by Parrott, seconded by Smallwood to offer a tenure teacher contracts as presented. Roll call vote of motion carried as follows: Smallwood-yes; Koll-yes; Eichler-yes; Sanders-yes; Rutherford-yes; Parrott-yes; and Yearout-yes; Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

The Teachers for Consideration for 2023-2024 Contracts List was given to board members. The probationary elementary, special education, and secondary teachers were considered for 2023-2024 contracts. The respective principals reported on the individual teacher evaluations and answered questions presented concerning the individuals listed. After discussion a motion was made by Eichler, seconded by Rutherford to offer probationary teacher contracts for the 2023-2024 school year to Braden Drehle, Mikel Drehle, Karie Gutierrez, Katelynn Schuld, Tatum Sinclair, Connor Spunaugle, Amy Biggerstaff, Elizabeth Eckhoff, Gabbie Mallard, Malinda McBride, Jill Reimund, Jennifer

Greene, Ashley Brown, Allison Dady, Michelle Johnson, Lacey Lange, and Sarah Weatherby. Roll call vote of motion carried as follows: Smallwood-yes; Koll-yes; Eichler-yes; Sanders-yes; Rutherford-yes; Parrott-yes; and Yearout-yes; Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

There being no further business for executive session a motion was made by Parrott, seconded by Sanders to adjourn the executive session at 8:31 P.M. Roll call vote of motion carried as follows: Smallwood-absent; Koll-yes; Eichler-yes; Sanders-absent; Rutherford-yes; Parrott-yes; and Yearout-yes; Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

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