

Benton County R-2 School District

Minutes – Regular Meeting

May 19, 2025

Board Members Present Board members present for the regular meeting on May 19, 2025 were Parrott, Sanders, Eichler, Smallwood, Eckhoff, Siercks, and Casey.

Also present were Kevin Smith, Adam Curtis, Elly Eckhoff and Michelle Smith

Call to Order President Parrott declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Amendments to the Agenda No amendments to the agenda.

Citizens Comments There were no citizen's comments

Consent Agenda
a. May 19, 2025 board agenda
b. April 22, 2024 regular minutes
c. April 22, 2024 executive minutes
d. Payment of Bills
Copies of the May 19, 2025 agenda, the April 22, 2024 regular meeting minutes, the April 22, 2024 executive meeting minutes, and page 1 thru 3 of the May 19, 2025 bills were mailed to board members prior to the meeting and were available for the public at the meeting. An additional page of bills was presented at the board meeting. Mr. Smith reviewed various bills. After questions and discussion, a motion was made by Eichler, seconded by Smallwood to approve all items in the consent agenda as listed above. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Summer Maintenance Mr. Smith reported to board members on items included on the summer maintenance schedule. Painting, cleaning and other routine maintenance will be done. The old computer lab in the elementary will be opened up to increase the space for the elementary library. Carpet will be removed from the elementary counselor and speech offices, tile will be placed. The playground construction is underway, updates were provided. The gym floors will be refinished in July and classroom floors will be waxed as usual over the summer break. Several classrooms and other areas are scheduled for painting. This year's summer helpers will be 4 or 5, at this time.

Administrator Reports Mr. Smith shared information regarding foundation repairs from Foundation Recovery Systems, which are needed in the JH hallway. A quote has been received of \$57,772.85 for the repairs needed. A motion made by Siercks, seconded by Casey to approve the foundation repairs as quoted. Mr. Smith will contact the company to move forward. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Smith shared items for surplus, a 2002 John Deere 485X lawn tractor. A motion made by Eckhoff, seconded by Smallwood to approve the item as surplus. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Curtis shared high school enrollment ended at 243 with 92.67% attendance. He commented on Cardinal Night how the high school started to contribute to displays and he has heard nothing but positive comments from patrons and staff.

Senior trip was on May 2nd with 30 students attending, they went to Branson and Silver Dollar City this year. The spring concert was May 6th and well attended, the athletic banquet was held and attended by many. Graduation was a success outdoors held on May 9th. Academic Team attended state contests and ended 4th. Softball 20-4 and Baseball 12-15 seasons have ended, with Baseball playing the district championship game tomorrow 5/20 at 6PM. Summer has a lot going on with FFA, summer camps for football, volleyball, basketball and other various sport camps and activities.

Mrs. Eckhoff shared elementary enrollment ended at 295 with 94.92% attendance. Reading assessments were recently given to all elementary students. Cardinal night was a success on the elementary side of the building as well. Pre-K graduation was held Friday, May 16th, 17 are moving to Kindergarten.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Eichler seconded by Smallwood at 7:34 P.M. to go to executive session for personnel matters (RSMo 610.021 (3 & 13)). Roll call vote of motion carried as follows: Casey-yes; Siercks-yes; Eckhoff-yes; Smallwood-yes; Eichler-yes; Sanders-yes; and Parrott-yes. Total vote 7 yes, 0 no.

Board members returned from executive session at 8:05 P.M.

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made by Eichler, seconded by Eckhoff to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 P.M. Motion carried 7 ayes, 0 nays.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education