

Board Members Present Board members present for the regular meeting on November 21, 2022 were Parrott, Sanders, Eichler, Koll and Smallwood. Yearout and Rutherford were absent.

Also present were Kevin Smith and Becky Eifert. Adam Curtis and Michelle Smith were absent.

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

Amendments to the Agenda There were no amendments to the agenda.

Citizens Comments There were no citizen’s comments

Consent Agenda
a. November 21, 2022 board agenda
b. October 17, 2022 regular meeting minutes
c. Payment of Bills
d. Budget Amendments

Copies of the November 21, 2022 agenda, the October 17, 2022 regular meeting and executive minutes, and pages 1 and 2 of the November 21, 2022 bills were mailed to board members prior to the meeting and were available for the public at the meeting. An additional bill listing for November 21, 2022 was presented at the meeting. Also mailed to board members was a list of revenue and expenditures that need to be updated on the 2022/2023 budget. Mr. Smith reviewed various bills, and reviewed the budget amendments. After questions and discussion, a motion was made by Eichler seconded by Parrott to approve all items in the consent agenda as listed above. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.

7:07 Yearout arrived

School Board Election Update Board members Eichler, Koll and Sanders terms for serving on the school board will be open for election on April 4, 2023. Candidates may begin filing on December 6, 2022 at 8:00 A.M. and the last date for candidate filing is December 27, 2022 at 5:00 P.M, which this district is closed for the winter break, but will be open on the last day of filing from 3pm – 5pm, unless otherwise requested by a candidate.

Food Service Charges / Policy Mr. Smith reviewed current policy for student lunch charges, which states that student charges should not exceed \$7.50 per student grades 7-12. After discussion of current policy as stated in the student handbook, a motion made by Parrott, seconded by Sanders to revise policy to state: Meal charges should not exceed \$25.00, which is one week of breakfast and lunch charges. Food services may be stopped after the maximum charge if necessary. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.

Benton County R-2 School District

Minutes – Regular Meeting

November 21, 2022

Construction Update Mr. Smith discussed the construction project. Septagon and Mr. Smith are pleased with the number of bids that were received. Currently the project is coming along as budgeted, the plan is to start late February/ early March

Administrator Reports Mr. Smith reported that current high school enrollment is 253 with 93.47% attendance rate. Parent / Teacher conferences last month went rather well. Fall sports have ended with Football winning districts against Cole Camp. FFA national convention was recent and attended by 6 of our students, along with the Greenhand Degree ceremony, which 11 students received Greenhand degree and 10 students received chapter degree. FBLA officers just returned from their national convention in Orlando FL. This past week we held a choir vocal clinic and concert. Winter sports have started, and currently both boys' and girls' Varsity/JV and JH have good participation numbers. Regular season for basketball will begin the week after Thanksgiving. The baseball pancake breakfast was held on November 12th with a good turnout.

Mrs. Eifert reported the elementary enrollment is now at 258 students with an attendance rate of 96.6%. Parent / Teacher conferences went well last month for staff. Christmas concerts will be Tuesday, December 6th for grades K-3 and the grades 4-6 will hold a Spring concert TBD. Youth basketball has started both gyms are busy nightly.

Executive Session A motion was made by Eichler, seconded by Parrott to go to executive session for personnel matters (RSMo 610.021 (3 & 13)) at 7:52 P.M. Roll call vote of motion carried as follows: Smallwood-yes; Koll-yes; Eichler-yes; Sanders-yes; Rutherford-absent; Parrott-yes; and Yearout-yes. Total vote 6 yes, 0 no.

Board members returned from executive session at 8:07 P.M.

Adjournment There being no further business a motion was made by Koll, seconded by Smallwood to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 P.M. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education