

The Benton County R-2 School District board members continued the meeting in executive session on July 17, 2023 beginning at 7:51 P.M. Board members present were Yearout, Parrott, Rutherford, Eichler, and Eckhoff. Sanders and Smallwood were absent.

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

Mr. Smith shared information that the district is needing to hire a full-time nurse to be with a student each day they are in attendance for the 2023/2024 school year. A quote has been received from Maxim Nursing and a second quote is still expected from a second nursing agency. Mr. Smith requested permission from the board to hire the best fit based on quotes once both are received. A motion made by Parrott, seconded by Rutherford to allow Mr. Smith to hire the best agency. Motion carries as follows: Eckhoff-yes; Smallwood-absent; Eichler-yes; Sanders-absent; Rutherford-yes; Parrott-yes; and Yearout-yes; Motion carries 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Smith shared the Elementary Counselor position is still open for the 2023/2024 school year. He requested permission to hire the best applicant. A motion was made by Rutherford, seconded by Eichler to give Mr. Smith permission to hire the best applicant. Motion carries as follows: Eckhoff-yes; Smallwood-absent; Eichler-yes; Sanders-absent; Rutherford-yes; Parrott-yes; and Yearout-yes; Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Smith shared that JH Softball head coach position is still open.

There being no further business for executive session a motion was made by Parrott, seconded by Rutherford to adjourn the executive session at 8:04 P.M. Roll call vote of motion carried as follows: Eckhoff-yes; Smallwood-absent; Eichler-yes; Sanders-absent; Rutherford-yes; Parrott-yes; and Yearout-yes. Motion carried 5 yes, 0 no.

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President, Board of Education

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Secretary, Board of Education