

BENTON-STEARNES EDUCATION DISTRICT #6383  
REGULAR BOARD MINUTES  
Wednesday, August 17, 2022

Board Members Present: Anderson (Foley) Ebnet (Holdingford)  
Gallagher (Kimball) Snoberger(Sartell/St.Stephen)  
Solarz (Sauk Rapids/Rice) Wesenberg (Rocori)

Others Present: Bergstrom (Sauk Rapids/Rice) Neubauer (Foley)  
Ridlehoover (Sartell/St.Stephen) Swenson (Holdingford)  
Thein (Rocori) Widvey (Kimball)  
Dohrmann and Evenson

Absent:

There was a motion by Foley, seconded by Rocori to approve the agenda with the addition of items j,k,s,t in the consent agenda and agenda item #5. The motion was unanimously approved.

There was a motion by Kimball seconded by Sartell/St. Stephen to approve the consent agenda. The motion was unanimously approved.

- a. Approval of June 15, 2022 Board Minutes.
- b. Payment of bills, including wire transfers, employee reimbursement through payroll and checks numbered 57323-57422.
- c. Electronic funds transfers (EFT).
- d. June & July 2022 Bank Reconciliation.
- e. July 2022 Budget to Actual Comparison.
- f. Approval of hire, Nicole Walker, Behavior Analyst, MA+30, Step 14, effective August 29, 2022.
- g. Approval of hire, Nicole Moulzolf, Special Education Teacher, BA Step 2 effective August 29, 2022 pending licensure renewal.
- h. Approval of hire, Lisa Maschino, Special Education Supervisor, \$85,500, effective July 1, 2022.
- i. Approval of hire, Katie Karnik, Special Education Supervisor, \$81,700, effective August 18, 2022 pending release from current contract.
- j. Approval of hire, Aileen Zhang, Special Education Teacher, MA Step 3, effective August 29, 2022.
- k. Approval of hire, Travis Pinney, Paraprofessional, \$20.11/hour, effective August 29, 2022.
- l. Approval of hire, Tom Howard, Paraprofessional, \$20.11/hour, effective August 29, 2022.
- m. Approval of hire, Laec Lekander, Paraprofessional, \$18.14/hour, effective August 15, 2022.
- n. Approval of hire, Lisa Yeager, Paraprofessional, \$20.11/hour, effective August 29, 2022.
- o. Approval of resignation, Jill Murphy, Special Education Supervisor, effective July 8, 2022.
- p. Approval of resignation, Katie Gallagher, Paraprofessional, effective July 21, 2022.
- q. Approval of Leave of Absence, Aileen Zhang, Paraprofessional, effective August 9, 2022 while filling a Special Education Teacher position at Voyagers Program

- r. Approval of Leave of Absence, Angie Struffert, Secretary, effective approximately October 11, 2022 for 10-12 weeks
- s. Approval of Lane Change, Holly Spicer BA+45 to MA-Step 5, effective September 1, 2022
- t. Approval of Resignation, Nicole Cross, Paraprofessional, effective August 16, 2022

There was a motion by Sartell/St. Stephen seconded by Foley to approve eight \$500 Mentor Stipends for new licensed staff and one \$250 stipend for licensed staff totaling \$4,250 for the 2022-2023 school year. The motion was unanimously approved.

There was a motion by Rocori seconded by Sartell/St. Stephen to approve the contract with ISD 742 for .50 FTE Physical Therapist for the 2022-23 school year. The total cost to BSED will not exceed \$46,000 plus mileage. The motion was unanimously approved.

There was a motion by Kimball seconded by Holdingford to approve the renewal contract with Deb DiCarlo, Spanish Interpreter, for up to 60 hours of service at a rate of \$40 per hour, not to exceed \$2400 plus mileage. The motion was unanimously approved.

There was a motion by Sartell/St. Stephen seconded by Holdingford to approve the independent contract with Nancy Pauley for audiology services for the 2022-23 school year. The contract will secure a total of 50 days of service at a rate of \$90 per hour with the total cost not to exceed \$33,750 plus mileage. The motion was unanimously approved.

There was a motion by Sartell/St. Stephen seconded by Kimball to establish a Benton-Stearns Education District Facilities Committee. The motion was unanimously approved.

There was a discussion on open positions at Benton-Stearns Education District including Nursing, School Psychologist and Speech Language Pathologist.

There was a motion by Foley seconded by Kimball to approve the nursing contract with AveleCare for not to exceed cost of \$10,000 for the 2022-2023 school year. The motion was unanimously approved.

There was a motion by Sartell/St. Stephen seconded by Rocori to approve an overload for the BSED School Psychologists for the 2022-2023 school year with the method of compensation to be summarized in a memo of understanding. The motion was unanimously approved.

There was a discussion of the parameters for extra duties requested of BSED staff supporting district initiatives and professional development requests outside of typical duties/contract

First Reading Policy 515-Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records.

Executive Director and Assistant Director Report

- a. Level IV Early Intervention Monthly Service Update-Erin
- b. Grafton Update-Erin
- c. Level IV Update-Erin
- d. Member District Professional Development Support-Erin

- e. MA Billing Revenue Update-Kandice
- f. Professional Development Update-Erin
  - i. STAR Training-Level IV and Sauk Rapids-Rice
  - ii. Ukeru-Level IV
  - iii. MTSS-Sauk Rapids-Rice and Sartell-St. Stephen
  - iv. Crisis Planning-Level IV
  - v. Legal Seminar-All District Administrative Staff
  - vi. Handle With Care-Administrators and All Districts
  - vii. DALs+-Holdingford
- g. Professional Learning Catalog-Erin
- h. MREA Membership Renewal

There was a motion by Foley, seconded by Sartell/St. Stephen to adjourn the regular board meeting at 4:12 p.m. The motion was unanimously approved.

The next Regular meeting of the Education District Board of Directors will be on September 21, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. The minutes are not official until reviewed and approved by the Benton-Stearns Education Board.