

BENTON-STEARNES EDUCATION DISTRICT #6383
REGULAR BOARD MINUTES
Wednesday, February 19, 2020

Board Members Present: Martini Holdingford) Solarz (Sauk Rapids/Rice)
Snoberger (Sartell/St. Stephen) Waldorf (Kimball)
Wesenberg (Rocori)

Others Present: Kelvington (Rocori) Schwiebert (Sartell/St. Stephen)
Sinclair (Sauk Rapids/Rice) Swenson (Holdingford)
Widvey (Kimball)
Evenson, Jepsen and Voigt

Absent: Anderson (Foley), Neubauer (Foley)

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

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

- a. Approval of January 22, 2020 Board Minutes.
- b. Payment of bills, including wire transfers, employee reimbursement through payroll and checks numbered 55637-55691.
- c. Electronic funds transfers (EFT).
- d. January 2020 Bank Reconciliation.
- e. January 2020 Budget to Actual Comparison.

There was a motion by Kimball, seconded by Rocori to approve the distribution of the 2018-2019 BSED General Education Rebate amount of \$450,588.60 to the member districts. The motion was unanimously approved.

There was a motion by Rocori, seconded by Kimball to approve the 2019-2020 BSED Revised Budget. The motion was unanimously approved.

Member Waldorf (Kimball) introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION
TO EXAMINE THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE DISTRICT
AND TO MAKE ANY RECOMMENDATION FOR REDUCTIONS
IN PROGRAMS AND POSITIONS AND REASONS THEREFORE.

*WHEREAS, the financial condition of the school district may dictate that the school board must reduce expenditures, and

WHEREAS, this reduction in expenditure and must include discontinuance of positions and discontinuance or curtailment of programs, and

WHEREAS, a determination must be made as to which teachers' contracts must be terminated and not renewed and which teachers may be placed on unrequested leave of absence without pay or fringe benefits in effecting discontinuance of positions,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Benton-Stearns Education District, as follows:

That the School Board hereby directs the Superintendent of Schools and administration to consider the discontinuance of programs or positions to effectuate economies in the school district and reduce expenditures and, make recommendations to the school board for the discontinuance of programs, curtailment of programs, discontinuance of positions or curtailment of positions.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Snoberger (Sartell/St. Stephen) and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Martini (Holdingford), Snoberger (Sartell/St. Stephen), Solarz (Sauk Rapids/Rice), Waldorf (Kimball) and Wesenberg (Rocori). And the following voted against the same: None Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

There was a discussion on the Setting IV Facility expansion. A preliminary lease agreement was shared. More information will continue to be gathered.

The Benton-Stearns Education District By-Laws and Agreement were presented for a first reading. These documents are required to be reviewed on an annual basis.

Executive Director and Assistant Director Updates and Reports

- a. Workload Analysis and Comparison
- b. Child Count Reports 2019
- c. MASE Day at the Capital March 5, 2020
- d. CEIS (Coordinated Early Intervening Services)
- e. Monitoring updates – Program and Fiscal
- f. MA Billing update
- g. Handle with Care Transition update
- h. Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC) February 24th
- i. Due Process Nights – March 2nd and 9th

There was a motion by Rocori, seconded by Sartell/St. Stephen to adjourn the regular board meeting at 4:35 p.m. The motion was unanimously approved.

The next Regular meeting of the Education District Board of Directors will be on March 18, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. The minutes are not official until reviewed and approved by the Benton-Stearns Education Board.