

BENTON-STEARNES EDUCATION DISTRICT #6383
REGULAR BOARD MINUTES
Wednesday, September 16, 2020
Meeting available Google Hangout
*Notes remote attendance

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

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

Absent:

There was a motion by Foley, seconded by Rocori to approve the agenda. The following voted in favor thereof: Anderson (Foley), Ebnet (Holdingford), Snoberger (Sartell/St. Stephen), Solarz (Sauk Rapids/Rice), Waldorf (Kimball) and Wesenberg (Rocori). And the following voted against the same: None. The motion was unanimously approved.

There was a motion by Rocori, seconded by Sartell/St. Stephen to approve the consent agenda. The following voted in favor thereof: Anderson (Foley), Ebnet (Holdingford), Snoberger (Sartell/St. Stephen), Solarz (Sauk Rapids/Rice), Waldorf (Kimball) and Wesenberg (Rocori). And the following voted against the same: None. The motion was unanimously approved.

- a. Approval of August 19, 2020 Board Minutes.
- b. Payment of bills, including wire transfers, employee reimbursement through payroll and checks numbered 56017-56072.
- c. Electronic funds transfers (EFT).
- d. August 2020 Bank Reconciliation.
- e. August 2020 Budget to Actual Comparison.
- f. Approval of \$500 stipends for Mentors: Cassie Sandstrom and Lisa Dingman.
- g. Approval of resignation, Christine Tangen, Supervisor, effective September 11, 2020.
- h. Approval of resignation, Kevin Kaiser, Paraprofessional Voyagers, effective August 22, 2020.
- i. Approval of resignation, Taylor Fields, Paraprofessional ASD, effective August 27, 2020.
- j. Approval of resignation, Jennifer Reker, Preschool Screener, effective August 25, 2020.
- k. Approval of hire, Dawn Gent, Supervisor for Foley and Rocori, effective September 14, 2020 - 180 days \$81,428.40.
- l. Approval of rate of pay change, Karie Belling, Pioneers Secretary, from \$19.89/hr to \$22.58/hr (includes longevity), effective August 24, 2020.
- m. Approval of rate of pay change, Laurie Nelson, Pioneers Secretary, from \$20.03/hr to \$21.33/hr, effective August 24, 2020.
- n. Approval of recommendation for tenure of licensed staff: Cassie Sandstrom-Occupational Therapist, Tiffany Torborg-Early Intervention Teacher and Chelsy Collins-School Psychologist.

Benton Stearns Education District's Health Insurance renewal with HealthPartners is October 1, 2020. During the HITA process last October we received a 16.54% decrease with no 2nd year rate guarantee. The renewal for 10/1/2020 is a premium increase of 17%.

There was a motion by Foley, seconded by Sartell/St. Stephen to approve the MREA (Minnesota Rural Education Association) Membership for 2020-2021. The following voted in favor thereof: Anderson (Foley), Ebnet (Holdingford), Snoberger (Sartell/St. Stephen), Solarz (Sauk Rapids/Rice), Waldorf (Kimball) and Wesenberg (Rocori). And the following voted against the same: None. The motion was unanimously approved.

Executive Director and Assistant Director Updates and Reports

- a. Annual District Back to School Updates
- b. BSED Update
- c. Due Process Night
- d. Infinitec Training Modules

There was a motion by Foley, seconded by Rocori to adjourn the regular board meeting at 3:46 p.m. The following voted in favor thereof: Anderson (Foley), Ebnet (Holdingford), Snoberger (Sartell/St. Stephen), Solarz (Sauk Rapids/Rice), Waldorf (Kimball) and Wesenberg (Rocori). And the following voted against the same: None. The motion was unanimously approved.

The next Regular meeting of the Education District Board of Directors will be on October 21, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. The minutes are not official until reviewed and approved by the Benton-Stearns Education Board.