

Benton County R-2 School District

Minutes – Regular Meeting

May 22, 2018

Board Members Present Board members present for the regular meeting on May 22, 2018 were Mehrens, Kroenke, Parrott, Ebeling, Eichler, and Yearout. Beaman was absent.

Also present were Kevin Smith, Marc Spunaugle, Becky Eifert and Michelle Smith

Call to Order President Mehrens 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 comments.

Consent Agenda  
a. May 22, 2018 board agenda  
b. April 16, 2018 regular minutes  
c. April 16, 2018 executive minutes  
d. Payment of Bills  
Copies of the May 22, 2018 agenda, the April 16, 2018 regular meeting minutes, the April 16, 2018 executive meeting minutes, and pages 1 and 2 of the May 22, 2018 bills were mailed to board members prior to the meeting and were available for the public at the meeting. An additional page of bills was presented at the board meeting. Mr. Smith reviewed various bills. After questions and discussion, a motion was made by Parrott, seconded by Eichler to approve all items in the consent agenda as listed above. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.

Credit Recovery Program Mr. Smith explained the criteria used to determine students that may be able to attend the credit recovery program and earn a credit for a subject they may have failed during the regular school term. The classes, limited to 25 students, will be held for nine days with parents or students providing their own transportation. A motion was made by Kroenke, seconded by Ebeling to pay \$1,500.00 to Emily McCullough to conduct the credit recovery class for nine days, which will be held May 21 through June 1, 2018. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.

Summer Maintenance Mr. Smith reported to board members on items included on the summer maintenance schedule. Summer workers, Bailey Koll, Rider Smith, Dominic Simmons and Gage Kahler have been hired to assist full time custodial staff with various items. The gym floors will be refinished and classroom floors will be waxed as usual. Several classrooms are scheduled for painting. The fence and gates at the football field to be repaired. There will be painting in the hallways, classrooms, cafeteria and little gym. The parking lot will be cleaned and painted as well in the gravel parking lot the potholes are to be fixed. Mr. Smith shared that the recent water line break in the school parking lot is on the city's side and commented on the fast service that the City of Lincoln gave to fixing the leak. The City is hoping to replace the line from the street to the school.

## Food Service Prices

The National School Lunch Program that controls requirements for the free and reduced price meal program is requiring school districts to increase full cost lunch prices for the 2018-2019 school year. The price for high school lunch for 2018-2019 will be \$2.35, and the price for elementary lunch will be \$2.15. Reduced price lunch will remain at 40 cents. The price for a second lunch will also increase to \$2.75. Due to information received from our January 2017 food service program audit, adult lunches will be \$3.00 for the 2018-2019 school year. After discussion, a motion was made by Yearout, seconded by Ebeling to set full price high school lunch cost to \$2.35, full price elementary lunch cost to \$2.15 for the 2018-2019 school year. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays.

## Administrator Reports

Mr. Smith reported that the year has gone well. The following retirements were recognized at the staff luncheon on Tuesday, May 17—Britt Kroenke, Brett Reese, Kathy Twenter, and Janice Thomas along with the following staff members leaving our district—Lauren Collins, John Eierman, Ramona Kroenke, Crystal Hardy and Bobbi Swisher.

Mr. Smith shared information he has received from Robert Rallings architect for the district security for elementary and high school entrances. He shared that their costs to design a scale model would be \$5,500 - \$12,000, cost to construct electronic locks and cameras at the front entrances estimated at \$15,000 and estimated cost for reconstruction of both entrances would be up to \$65,000. Since reaching out to one company he has heard from other companies that offer security enhancements and will be meeting with Nightwatch Security in the next week to receive their bid, which is currently estimated at \$12,000- 15,000 for electronic locks and camera systems at both entrances. He added that the entrance roof area at the elementary needs to be replaced as well possibly need to have an awning added in that area. He will work on getting bids to report information back to the board.

Mr. Smith shared information that he has joined a committee as a school superintendent that is to prepare patrons and area business for active shooter awareness. Warsaw School District is going to host an active shooter training in August 2018 that he plans to send 10-12 staff members to this year and next year once our new security is in place Lincoln R-2 would like to host the training.

Information regarding the State Quarterfinals baseball game to be held at Lincoln on May 23, 2018, against Skyline at 6:00PM. It was noted that the scoreboard at the baseball field is currently being looked at for repairs by our staff, but that in the event the scoreboard would not be repaired by game time – Mr. Smith has contacted MSHSAA about a temporary scoreboard and one has been provided. Mr. Smith added that the scoreboard at the baseball field and the scoreboard in the High School gym need to be replaced. He will get bid information as well as make contacts for possible donations to help offset the costs, as one scoreboard could range from 10-15k.

Mr. Spunaugle reported that the current enrollment for Grades 7-12 is 226 with an attendance rate of 94.61% as of today. Graduation went well with a large crowd in

attendance. He updated the board on end of the year student activities, Bo Kroenke placed 4<sup>th</sup> in State Golf, Softball girls were District Champions again for a second year in a row, and the boys baseball also won districts for a third year in a row, adding that this is a first in school history. It was shared that this week letters were sent to parents for students who did not meet the attendance criteria for the school year. 5 days absence are allowed per semester, for students going over this they are first placed on academic probation for the following semester or if they have already had a first offense, they are required to make up hours by either detention time, Saturday School, or they can do community service hours approved by the administration. Mr. Spunaugle shared that the State Board Meeting for principals is June 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> that he will attend.

Mrs. Eifert shared that the elementary enrollment is 261 with the attendance just above 95%. Preschool graduation was held Thursday, May 17th. Recently 8 students grades 4 – 6 were taken to Shirley’s Highway 65 Café for breakfast for reading, and that 14 awards were handed out for perfect attendance for K-6 for the school year. It was shared that summer school will again take place prior to the new school year beginning; this year’s dates are July 30 through August 10. There will be one bus for transportation for those students needing it. Summer school is funded through Title I and offered to students K-6 based on reading tests and recommendations by teachers. Faith Chapel out of Cole Camp is providing lunch for the summer school, and currently Pre School and credit recovery.

Executive Session

Parrott, seconded by Kroenke at 7:45 P.M. to go to executive session for personnel matters (RSMo 610.021 (3 & 13), made a motion. Roll call vote of motion carried as follows: Yearout-yes; Eichler-yes; Ebeling-yes; Parrott-yes; Beaman-absent; Kroenke-yes; and Mehrens-yes. Total vote 6 yes, 0 no.

Board members returned from executive session at 8:12 P.M.

Adjournment

There being Eichler, seconded by Yearout to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 P.M., made no further business a motion. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

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President, Board of Education

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Secretary, Board of Education