

Unofficial

BENTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
 405 South Grant Avenue
 Fowler, Indiana 47944

Regular Meeting
 Board of School Trustees
 April 20, 2020
 Administration Building & Via Zoom

Board members present were:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Gabe Widmer (Virtually)	X	
Edward Schroeder (In Person)	X	
Robert Sondgeroth (Virtually)	X	
Jennifer Barce (Virtually)	X	
Chad Tolen		X

Also present virtually were Gregg Hoover, Superintendent, Tracy Albertson Director of Finance, Scott Smith, BEA president and Gail Lange, Benton Review representative. Brandie Burton, recording secretary was present in person.

Call to Order, Recognize Quorum

President Edward Schroeder called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m., and recognized a quorum. Mr. Hoover indicated there were no emergency additions to the agenda. The board approved the agenda on a motion by Jennifer Barce and a second by Edward Schroeder. The motion carried with individual spoken ayes from Jennifer Barce, Gabe Widmer, Ed Schroeder and Robert Sondgeroth.

Audience to Visitors

None

Routine Matters

The board approved the minutes of the Work Session of March 12, 2020, and the minutes of the Executive Session and Regular meeting of March 16, 2020 on a motion by Edward Schroeder and a second by Jennifer Barce. The motion carried with individual spoken ayes from Jennifer Barce, Gabe Widmer, Ed Schroeder and Robert Sondgeroth.

Mrs. Albertson presented the vouchers to the board for approval. There being no questions from the board, Mrs. Albertson asked the board to approve the vouchers as presented. Gabe Widmer moved, seconded by Edward Schroeder, to approve accounts payable vouchers totaling \$432,493.78 and payroll and benefits vouchers of \$1,823,769.96 for a grand total of \$2,256,263.74. The motion carried with individual spoken ayes from Jennifer Barce, Gabe Widmer, Ed Schroeder and Robert Sondgeroth.

Communications

None

Old Business

None

New Business

Mr. Hoover presented the staff report to the board. Jennifer Barce moved, seconded by Gabe Widmer to approve the following staff report as presented:

Resignations

- Sean Kennedy as a teacher at Benton Central Jr./Sr. High School effective the end of the 2019-2020 school year.

The motion carried with individual spoken ayes from Jennifer Barce, Gabe Widmer, Ed Schroder and Robert Sondgeroth.

Mr. Hoover presented the board with the extension of the Resolution for Pay During a Declared Emergency to an including May 29, 2020. Mr. Hoover indicated this would take the pay through the end of what would have been the normal school year for the employees. Edward Schroeder moved, seconded by Jennifer Barce to approve the extension of the Resolution for Pay During a Declared Emergency to and including May 29, 2020. The motion carried with individual spoken ayes from Jennifer Barce, Gabe Widmer, Ed Schroder and Robert Sondgeroth.

Mrs. Albertson asked the board to approve the advertisement for Bread & Dairy Bids for the 2020-2021 school year. Jennifer Barce moved, seconded by Edward Schroeder to approve the advertisement for Bread & Dairy Bids for the 2020-2021 school year. The motion carried with individual spoken ayes from Jennifer Barce, Gabe Widmer, Ed Schroder and Robert Sondgeroth.

Mr. Hoover thanked the board for their willingness to try the new method for this board meeting. Mr. Hoover stated they had submitted the corporations learning plan to the state and it had been approved. He also indicated that he had the bus insurance canceled back dated to the end of March. He stated there are 4 busses still fully covered as standby if needed. He stated at this point there are 3 teaching position to fill for next school year, 4th grade position and a math and Spanish position at Benton Central.

Ed Schroeder wished all to stay safe and hoping to be able to conduct a regular meeting next month.

The meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m. The next regular board meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. Monday, May 18, 2020, at the Administration Office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brandie Burton, Recording Secretary

President

Member

Vice-President

Member

Secretary