

Lake Benton # 404
Regular Board Meeting
March 23, 2011 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Roger Rudebusch, Tony Schwing, LaDon Prosch, Janell DeVries, Mike Smith, Loy Woelber, Ryan Nielsen.

Members absent: Darrell Busselman.

Guests: Steve & Donnita Bennett, Megan Bach, Alissa Christianson.

1. Call meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Agenda approval: F - new business D - administration, J - service coop contracts. Approve Prosch second Smith. Passed.
3. Approve minutes of previous meeting. Motion Smith second DeVries. Passed.
4. Consideration of Claims and accounts: Approved for the amount of \$41,001.46. Motion Rudebusch second Prosch. Passed.
5. Visitor reports / comments. None.
6. Old business
 - A. Legislation

Alternative licensure bill. Information. Bill will make it easier for a non licensed person to teach but harder for a licensed teacher to cross over in subjects.

Funding level proposals about the same from all 3 branches. Hope is that funding will be held the same for next year.

Board member report/input. Nothing.

7. New business:

- A. Capital outlay projects/needs to be discussed and acted on at the April meeting. No action.
- B. Snow days update. School will be held Easter Monday Elkton will not. No action.
- C. Football field and equipment and home game swap. Elkton will have first chance to purchase our football equipment. Years 11-12 we will host 2 Volleyball and 1 Girls Basketball and 1 Boys Basketball and give up Football. Years 12-13 we will host 1 Volleyball and 1 Girls Basketball and 2 Boys Basketball and the rotation will continue. Request will be made to City to end contract on football field. Motion made to transition out of football field lease with the City of Lake Benton (due to cost of maintenance and new agreement with Elkton to swap sporting events and there new sports complex). Made by Rudebusch second by DeVries. Passed.
- D. Bus camera system in shuttle bus (\$1500).
Motion made to buy camera by Prosch second Rudebusch.
Passed.
- E. Enrollments to date. K -18; 1st -10; 2nd - 16; 3rd - 17; 4th -15; 5th - 13; 6th - 8; and preschool – 31; K-6 of 97. No action.
- F. Planning for next year.
 - a. Talented and gifted.
 - b. Technology
 - c. Physical Education
 - d. Administration No action.
- G. Supper with the Superintendent. (Date and Location) Wed. April 6th.
Discussion on location date and time. No time set. No action.
- H. Approve vendor Trusted Employees for future employment

screening with the district. Motion to approve Rudebusch second Prosch. Passed.

I. Angela Morris approval for management para. Motion to approve Smith second DeVries. Passed.

J. Service coop contracts. Motion to approve Smith second Prosch. Passed.

K. GASB 54 Policy introduction for approval in April.

The objective of this statement is to enhance the usefulness of the fund balance information by providing clearer balance fund classifications that will be easier to understand and apply.

Beginning with your FY2011 audit, fund balance will be reported under one of the following categories.

Nonspendable - Prepaids inventories long term receivables. Not expected to be converted to cash.

Restricted- Resource constraints are from outside parties (statutes, legislation, grantors, etc).

Committed- Required use formally established by the school board(resolution).

Assigned- Use established by internal sub-committee or others (supt. finance director/committee etc).

Unassigned- Represents fund balance that has not been restricted, committed or assigned.

LEA's will need to establish a board approved fund balance polices prior to June 30,2011. Some of the requirements of the new policy are:

Minimum fund balance

Order of resource use.

Stabilization arrangements

Process for committing funds

Process for assigning funds No action.

L. Mr. Woelber and district report.

- a. Building and grounds (bus garage finish will come after school lets out) (trophy case project coming along very well) (tuck pointing began last week) (bus garage floor).
- b. Food service nothing.
- c. Staffing (neg. committee to meet in May regarding support staff). Information on Para pay.
- d. Transportation.
- e. Elkton mtg. from 5:30 p.m. Sporting events and football field covered in New Business C. Discussion on sharing.
- f. Lake Benton foundation gala.
- g. Face book discussion for school/alumni contacts. Motion made to use face book as public relations tool for the school Smith second DeVries. Passed.

M. Mr. Nielsen and building report.

1. ECSE

- a. Staffing. Number of students is increasing. Deb Rouge's work load has increased to the point where she can't do both first grade and ESCE. We will advertise for an ESCE instructor. Funded thru SPED.

b. summer school

2. Ecology bus

3. Technology Conference.

a. 21st Century Skills

Innovative, collaborative, and problem solvers.

4. SPED Review

a. April 5

b. Financial Review

5. Day of Excellence

6. Computer Lab

a. on-line MCA testing

b. Keyboarding

c. 18 computers

7. Math curriculum

- a. Envisions(Pearsons). Waiting on quotes
- b. Mix of traditional and inquiry based learning.
- 8. Phil Baker
 - a. April 8th (Help me grow).
- 9. Calendar
- 10. Bus cameras
- 11. Sped Transportation. Some kindergarten and pre school students need para help on bus. Problem with shuttle bus arriving late in Elkton. Discussion on a vehicle for the school.
- 12. Circus
 - a. 3rd grade.
- N. Adjourn 8:26 p.m. Motion Prosch second Smith. Passed.