

Board of Education/Committee Reports

- A. Mrs. Johnston reported that the committee met prior to this evenings meeting. The focus this evening is the Early Childhood Fair scheduled for April 14th as well as our upcoming kindergarten round-up, April 24th-26th. Advertising ideas were discussed for both: Flyers, radio, public calendars, and social media for the Early Childhood Fair, and the possibility of television commercials, radio, billboards, banners, flyers, and social media for kindergarten round up. T-shirts were discussed for all incoming students. It was also discussed as to how far outside of the district we should explore. This year, an entrance survey is being looked at with feedback as to how families heard about the round-up. Facebook and Instagram boosting is also a possibility.

Audience Participation (Agenda Items Only) - NONE

Discussion Topics:

- A. Discussion on the First Reading of Board Policy Updates. Touched upon, were policies 1421 / 3121 /4121 Criminal History Records Check-current practice of new employees paying for background fingerprint records check. These policies have been revised to be consistent with Policy 8321-Criminal Justice Information Security (Non-Criminal Justice Agency), which requires criminal history record information (CHRI) to be maintained in a confidential file, separate from the employee file. Discussed were policies 1439/ 3139/ 4139 Administrator/Staff Discipline (New/Revised). A provision has been added to authorize a financial penalty as may be required by MCL 388.1766 (referring or assisting a student for an abortion). Policy 2410- In accordance with MCL 388.1766 which prohibits any officer, agent, or employee of the Board from referring a pupil for an abortion or assisting a pupil in obtaining an abortion. Policy 2414- This policy has been revised to include the abortion prohibition cited in Michigan statute and to focus on the specific requirements for the reproductive health and family planning instruction that is required. Policy 2418- Sex Education – This new policy provides the necessary authorization and structure if the district chooses to provide sex education instruction. Policy 8142 revised to be consistent with that of 8321, which requires criminal history record information (CHRI) to be maintained in a confidential file, separate from the vendor or private contractor file, and finally Policy 8321 which has been revised to include the latest revisions to information (CHRI) required by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Michigan State Police (MSP).
- B. Discussion on the adoption of the new Benzie Central Husky Logo. Mrs. Johnston suggested returning to the drawing board and incorporating HS students for their design ideas. Mr. Taylor shared that he was in favor of the BCGIC Husky logo as he described it as unique. Mr. Gray and Mr. Noffsinger also expressed their liking of said logo, stating that it could incorporate any sport, club, academics, etc. with their addition inside of the B. Mrs. Brown questioned whether or not approval would be needed by the BCGIC. There was further discussion as to whether or not it should be voted upon by students and/or adults. Mr. Gray suggested making it an action topic for March 12th, 2018, Mrs. Brown asking for all student input as we are in fact #OneBENZIE, with adults having the final

deciding factor.

Superintendent Olson shared picturing the new logo on nice new signage.

- C. Donna Humphrey, Operations of Twisted Trails Off Road park shared a map of the 160-acre property in Copemish and shared the intent of leasing the adjacent property upon DNR final approval. Mrs. Humphrey shared their support of our district through yearbook, athletics and the Toys for tots Toy Drive at Betsie Valley Elementary as well as the families they have adopted and supported. They put forth the request of \$2500.00 a month for the first five years, with \$5000.00 being the targeted amount for each year after that. Mr. Childs inquired about the yearly schedule of the off road park, the insurance in terms of liability, as well as the procedure should the district decide to get out of such an agreement. Mrs. Humphrey shared it would be an annual agreement based upon their townships special use permit. Mr. Noffsinger questioned how the property was patrolled and Mrs. Humphrey explained that the Manistee County Sherriff's office was invited in frequently for purposes of patrolling, safety, and order. Mrs. Brown asked if any trees would be taken down, and it was shared that only trail maintenance would take place with the possibility of hanging branches or trees that had already fallen being removed for safety purposes. Mr. Noffsinger inquired about sub leasing for hunting in the off season, and Mrs. Humphrey stated that would not be a problem.

Superintendent Olson suggested a motion, contingent upon permit insurance, secondary permit for hunting, and coordinating a Building Grounds Committee.

Action Topics:

17-18-105 It was moved by Mr. Brown and supported by Mrs. Johnston to approve the appointment of Marc Alderman as Middle School Science teacher.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

17-18-106 It was moved by Mrs. Johnston and supported by Mr. Noffsinger to approve the appointment of Christopher Wilde as Middle School Alpine Ski Coach.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

17-18-107 It was moved my Mr. Noffsinger and supported by Mr. Stapleton to approve the appointment of Randal Page Lake Ann Elementary PM custodian.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Mrs. Brown inquired about the custodian shuffling and Superintendent Olson explained the 3 positions that were needing replacements.

17-18-108 It was moved by Mrs. Johnston and supported by Mr. Stapleton to approve the appointment of Kevin Burrow MS/HS PM custodian.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

17-18-109 It was moved by Mrs. Johnston and supported by Mr. Noffsinger to approve the appointment of Cynthia Keller Crystal Lake Elementary PM custodian.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

17-18-110 It was moved by Mrs. Brown and supported by Mrs. Johnston to accept the resignation of Wendy Delisle- Custodian.

Ayes: 7 **Nays: 0** **Motion Carried**

17-18-111 It was moved by Mr. Noffsinger and supported by Mr. Taylor to accept the resignation of Yvonne Hockett – Transportation

Ayes: 7 **Nays: 0** **Motion Carried**

17-18-112 It was moved by Mrs. Johnston and supported by Mrs. Brown to accept the resignation of Sarah Stolz –JV Volleyball Coach

Ayes: 7 **Nays: 0** **Motion Carried**

Mrs. Johnston expressed her appreciation of the early notice, hopeful that a new hire can be put in place by fall.

17-18-113 It was moved by Mrs. Brown and supported by Mr. Gray to approve the Spring Break baseball trip to Florida

Ayes: 7 **Nays: 0** **Motion Carried**

Mrs. Brown thanked Eric Johnston for his organization

17-18-114 It was moved by Mrs. Johnston and supported by Mr. Taylor to approve the First Reading of Board Policy Updates

Ayes: 7 **Nays: 0** **Motion Carried**

17-18-115 It was moved by Mr. Taylor and supported by Mr. Stapleton to approve the contract with Roadmaster Driving School, LLC

Ayes: 7 **Nays: 0** **Motion Carried**

17-18-116 It was moved by Mrs. Brown and supported by Mr. Noffsinger to approve the contract with Tyler Technologies for Versatrans Transportation System.

Ayes: 7 **Nays: 0** **Motion Carried**

Superintendent Olson shared the efficiency benefits this would allow including, but not limited to, eliminating of double data entry, initial transportation set up at enrollment time and routing as 350 square miles can be quite challenging.

17-18-117 It was moved by Mr. Stapleton and supported by Mr. Noffsinger to start the process for the Building Grounds Committee (Pending DNR approval) in regard to the Twisted Trails Off Road Park.

Ayes: 7 **Nays: 0** **Motion Carried**

17-18-118 It was moved by Mrs. Johnston and supported by Mrs. Brown to accept the resignation of Kim Hanchosky and to approve the terms of the Separation Agreement and Release, as presented. Further, the Superintendent is authorized and directed to implement the terms of the Separation Agreement and Release.

Ayes: 6 **Nays: 1 (Noffsinger)** **Motion Carried**

Audience Participation (Open Topics): NONE

Announcements:

1. Updates were shared from the sinking fund septic work. Hoping for more concrete information by March.
2. The future planning committee will be meeting on March 8th at which time they will revisit the structural implications of what it is we are trying to accomplish.
3. Mr. Taylor inquired as to whether or not the Sinking Fund money had arrived and it was shared that a portion has been received.
4. Band Concert Thursday February 15th at 7:00 PM
5. #OneBENZIE evening for boys' basketball v. Mesick Friday February 16th. Cheer on your Huskies with our new sound system.

17-18-119 It was moved by Mr. Noffsinger and supported by Mr. Taylor to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:13 p.m.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried



Secretary, Board of Education