BENZIE COUNTY CENTRAL SCHOOLS

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Monday, November 9, 2026 – Regular Meeting

AGENDA

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Approval of Agenda

III. Opening Statement - We are a team. We leave our personal opinions at the door and we are bound by Policy 2302 to faithfully discharge the office of a board member and keep in mind our primary concern is the educational welfare of students focusing on governance and fiduciary obligations of the district including duties of loyalty and care, placing the District's interests above the Board member's personal interests.

IV. Consent Grouping

The Board has asked that certain items be grouped together and dealt with in a single motion for efficiency. A board member may ask that any listed item be considered separately.

A. Minutes
1. **October 12, 2026 Regular**

B. Business – General Fund Bills -$1,010,756.39

C. Support Staff Appointments
1. **Marshall Lambertson – Transportation Department – Substitute Bus Driver**
2. **Morgan Bradley – Early PreK Classroom Assistant – Lake Ann Elementary**
3. **Jenna Granfors – Infant/Toddler Assistant Teacher – Lake Ann Elementary**

D. Staff Assignment Changes
1. **Karlee Harris – 5.5 to 6.5 Paraprofessional – Lake Ann Elementary – Effective November 2, 2026**
2. **Erika Frederick – 5.5 Paraprofessional – Lake Ann Elementary – Effective November 2, 2026**

E. Leave of Absence
1. **Mikel McDonald – Custodian – Betsie Valley Elementary Extended FMLA – Effective October 5, 2026 through TBD**

F. Recommendation for Tenure
1. **NONE**

G. Recommendation for Termination following Probationary Period
1. **NONE**

H. Recommendation for Termination
1. **NONE**

I. Contract Updates
1. **NONE**

V. District Impact Team Update – Board of Education Trustee, Greg Kempton -

VI. Student Council Report – Student Council Board of Education Representative, Keelin Rineer –

VII. Administration Report
A. NMSLA – Superintendent Erfourth
B. 2025/26 Audit Review – Julie Burks – Dennis, Gartland, Niergarth
C. Superintendent Goals Update – Superintendent Erfourth
D. Election Results – Appointed Board Seat Discussion
E. West Michigan Health Insurance Pool – Director of Finance, Danielle Banasiak

F. Betsie Valley Elementary Update – Principal, Lisa Migazzi
G. Benzie Academy Update – Principal, Cheryl Smith
H. NWEA Update – Principal, Cheryl Smith
I. Resignations
1. Elle Robinson – Assistant GSRP Teacher – Homestead Hills Elementary – Effective October 14, 2026
2. Jalen Williams – Science Olympiad Advisor – High School – Effective October 28, 2026
3. Bryce Ropp – Elementary Music and Physical Education Teacher – Effective January 22, 2027
4. Rich Gottardo – Football Coach – Middle School
5. Liam Jones – Head Coach – Middle School Wrestling
J. Retirements
1. Sharyl Corey – Principal – Lake Ann Elementary – Effective June 30, 2027

VIII. Board of Education/Committee Reports
A. Building and Grounds Committee-Smith/Kempton
1. Sinking Project Updates
2. Building and Grounds Modifications
1. NONE
B. Policy Committee
1. NONE
C. Finance Committee – Gillison/Campana
D. Parent Advisory Council - Campana
E. Liaison – Egeler
F. Ad Hoc – Campana/Egeler
G. Negotiations –Erfourth –

IX. Audience Participation (<u>Agenda Items Only</u>)

X. Discussion Topics
1. Current District Enrollment Summary Review Exit Out v. Transfer In – Executive Assistant to the Superintendent/Pupil Accounting Specialist, Catina Crossman –
2. Concrete Repairs

XI. Action Topics
A. Administrative Appointments
1. NONE
2. Approval of 2025/26 Audit Review
3. Approval to join West Michigan Health Insurance Pool – Non-Union, Early Childhood, and Custodians – Effective 1/1/2027
4. Approval of Concrete Repairs

XII. Audience Participation (<u>Open Topics</u>)

XIII. Board Communication

XIV. Announcement
1. Arsenic and Old Lace | High School Play – November 13 & 14 – 7:00 PM
2. Engage: Tier Takeover Tournament – Husky Robotics – November 14
3. National Honor Society & Athletic Letter Club Induction
4. Versiti Blood Drive – November 24 – 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
5. Thanksgiving Break – November 25-27
6. Early Release – December 4
7. Regular Board of Education Meeting – December 14

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday!

*Audience Participation: The Board will invite your comments and concerns twice during tonight's meeting. First, you may address items on tonight's agenda. A second opportunity to speak will occur later, when you may address any issue. Though it is the board's usual practice to listen without immediate comment, your concerns are noted, and you may request follow-up. To address the board, please approach the lectern and give your name and address. Please limit your comments to three minutes.

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