REGULAR MEETING

A Regular meeting of the Benzie County Central Board of Education was held Monday, April 10, 2017, at the Platte River Elementary, 11434 Main St., Honor, MI 49640.

President Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Mr. Taylor, Mr. Stapleton, Mr. Childs, Ms. Johnston, Mr. Gray, Ms.

Brown, Mr. Noffsinger

Members Absent: NONE

16-17-108 It was moved by Mr. Noffsinger and supported by Ms. Johnston to approve

the agenda as written.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

16-17-109 It was moved by Mr. Stapleton and supported by Mr. Childs to approve Consent Grouping items as presented.

A. Minutes: March 13, 2017 – Regular Meeting

B.

Business: General Fund Bills \$524,190.23

Aves: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Student Council Report: Rea Pettengill updated the BCCS Board of Education regarding student council events: A class t-shirt (\$15) fund raiser and BCCS Academic Hall of Fame update. Christian Abeyta & McKenna Crossman named BCCS April Students of the Month.

Administration Report:

- A. Odyssey of the Mind Presentation: Odyssey of the Mind, was defined as an international educational program that provides creative problem-solving opportunities for students from kindergarten through college. Amy Jass summarized Benzie Central's OM teams and their accomplishments. Karen Zickert introduced the board to the Crystal Lake OM Team, who have qualified for World Finals at MSU. The OM 5th graders presented their creative problem solving skit to the board.
- B. Crystal Lake Cooperative Preschool (CLCP) Presentation: Nichole Lamkey and Brian Fleetwood gave a brief outline and explained the CLCP as a group of parents, working together to create a fun and safe place for children to learn and play, and where parent involvement is encouraged. A schedule was given with four-year old classes being held Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and three-year old classes taking place on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The CLCP submitted, to the board, a request for a two-year classroom use agreement at Crystal Lake Elementary.
- C. TBAISD Tech Service Presentation: Jason Jeffrey, Ed.D., TBAISD Assistant Superintendent of General and Career & Technical Education, and Doug Olson, Technology Manager, informed the board regarding technology services the ISD is willing to provide Benzie Central Schools to include, but not limited to:

- website maintenance, wireless infrastructure, system level expertise, i.e. PowerSchool and network security and backup. It was reported the ISD currently provides 7 (out of the 16 districts within the ISD) with technology services.
- D. Secondary School Reorganization: Superintendent Olson explained that Benzie Central is in transition, necessitating numerous difficult decisions. His presentation included the Purpose of Restructuring, Physical Restructuring, Clerical Personnel Restructuring and High School, Middle School, and Elementary Restructuring.
- E. Administrative Assignments: Administrative assignments for the 17/18 school year were presented by Mr. Olson as follows:

HS/MS PRINCIPAL: DAVE CLASEN

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL/ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: STEVE GRAETZ

DEAN OF STUDENTS: JOHN JUDGE

CRYSTAL LAKE PRINCIPAL: LEEANN STEPHAN BETSIE VALLEY PRINCIPAL: AIMEE ERFOURTH

LAKE ANN PRINCIPAL: LARRY HAUGHN

Board of Education/Committee Reports: NONE

Audience Participation (Agenda Items Only): NONE

Discussion Topics:

- A. ISD Elector Rep. / Alternative: Two TBAISD board terms will be expiring. A Resolution to consider Designation of an Electoral Representative for the June 5th election was presented. The BCCS Board will consider Board Trustee, Nicki Brown, as our district's representative and Board Trustee, Scott Gray, as the alternative.
- B. Sinking Fund Update: Superintendent Olson reported good representation at the April 5th "Yes For BC Kids" committee meeting. The committee is working to assemble a master voter list of "Yes Voters". Mr. Olson indicated the committee meets each Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. (up until May 2nd) in the HS library and the committee (Yes for BC Kids) may be followed on social media. Mr. Olson also invited anyone wanting more information on the upcoming May 2nd sinking fund vote to attend a Community Forum at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 23rd at the Benzie Central Auditorium.

Action Topics:

16-17-110 It was moved by Mr. Gray and supported by Ms. Johnston to approve the two-year (2017/18 & 2018/19) Classroom Use Agreement for Crystal Lake Cooperative Preschool at Crystal Lake Elementary.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion Carried

16-17-111 It was moved by Ms. Johnston and supported by Mr. Childs to approve the Resolution to Consider Designation of Electoral Representative for the June 5, 2017 TBAISD Biennial Election. The board will consider Nicki Brown as representative and Scott Gray as alternative representative

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion Carried

It was moved by Mr. Stapleton and supported by Mr. Gray to authorize the Roadmaster Driving School renewal for 3rd party road testing at Benzie Central High School campus. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 **Motion Carried** 16-17-113 It was moved by Mr. Stapleton and supported by None to renew Moss Road Rules for driver education. **Motion Died** It was moved by Ms. Brown and supported by Mr. Noffsinger to appoint Leah Hornacek to the positon of middle school assistant track coach. Aves: 7 **Motion Carried** Nays: 0 16-17-115 It was moved by Mr. Gray and supported by Ms. Johnston to appoint Peter Wright to the position of transportation bus mechanic, pending 90-day diesel permit while training. Aves: 7 Nays: 0 **Motion Carried** It was moved by Mr. Stapleton and supported by Mr. Childs to accept the 16-17-116 resignation of Betsie Valley Secretary, Cindy Sauer, for the purpose of retirement. Aves: 7 Nays: 0 **Motion Carried** It was moved by Ms. Johnston and supported by Mr. Gray to accept the 16-17-117 resignation of Platte River 6th Grade Teacher, Sue Micinski, for the purpose of retirement. Ayes: 7 **Motion Carried** Nays: 0 16-17-118 It was moved by Mr. Noffsinger and supported by Mr. Gray to accept the resignation of Lake Ann Principal, Deb Norman, for the purpose of retirement. Ayes: 7 **Motion Carried** Nays: 0 16-17-119 It was moved by Ms. Brown and supported by Mr. Stapleton to accept the resignation of Platte River Kindergarten Teacher, Sarah Fought, for the purpose of retirement. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 **Motion Carried** It was moved by Mr. Stapleton and supported by Ms. Johnston to accept the resignation of Middle School Teacher, Mark Blazejewski, for the purpose of retirement. **Motion Carried** Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion Carried

resignation of Betsie Valley Paraprofessional, Mary Couturier, for the purpose of

16-17-121

retirement.

It was moved by Ms. Brown and supported by Mr. Childs to accept the

16-17-122 It was moved by Ms. Brown and supported by Mr. Stapleton to approve adjournment into Closed Session (after audience participation and announcements) for the purpose of personnel matters discussion.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Audience Participation (Open Topics):

- 1. Lori Cota: Expressed her approval of the reorganization plan, in particular, the moving of Benzie Academy to the Central Business Office. As Co-chair of the sinking fund committee, Ms. Cota also expressed her appreciation for Mr. Olson's leadership as well as support from the community.
- 2. Jan Warren: Introduced herself as a candidate running for the TBAISD Board of Education June election.
- 3. Rich Brauer: Property owner, expressed his concerns regarding the illegal use of land off Henry Road.
- 4. Nina Vondrinco: Also expressed concerns regarding the misuse of land off Henry Road.

Announcements:

- 1. Superintendent Olson reminded the community of the following events:
 - April 23 Community Forum at 4:00 in the BC Auditorium
 - April 14 No School / Good Friday
 - May 2 Vote / Sinking Fund
- 2. Steve Graetz, Platte River Principal: Announced the May 24th "Honor Family Day" from 6 8 p.m. at Platte River Elementary.

Following a brief recess, the board entered into Closed Session at 8:35 p.m. and reconvened to Open Session at 9:45 p.m.

16-17-123 It was moved by Ms. Johnston and supported by Mr. Noffsinger to reconvene the Regular Meeting.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

16-17-124 It was moved by Mr. Stapleton and supported by Ms. Brown to deny employee grievance filed on 2-6-17.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

16-17-125 It was moved by Ms. Brown and supported by Mr. Noffsinger to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:50 p.m.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Secretary, Board of Education