

SPECIAL MEETING

A Special meeting of the Benzie County Central Board of Education was held Wednesday, August 12, 2020 at Benzie Central Middle School, 9300 Homestead Rd., Benzonia, MI. 49616

President Childs called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

Members Present: Mr. Childs, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Johnston, Mr. Gray, Mrs. Pomper, Ms. Cota Hill, Mr. Noffsinger

Members Absent: NONE

20-21-033 It was moved by Mr. Noffsinger and supported by Mrs. Brown to approve the agenda as written.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

The Board (with Mr. Jay Bennett, MASB Search Consultant) will welcome and introduce candidates for the 1st round interviews, for the position of Superintendent of Schools. All interviews are open to the public, available by phone due to the COVID-19 pandemic situation to ensure safety.

Board of Education President, Brian Childs shared the community survey feedback communication tool on the districts website.

Public Comment: NONE

Board of Education:

A. First Round Superintendent Interviews:

- 6:00 PM – Dorothy Blackwell, Ed.S. – Superintendent, Vassar Public Schools
- 7:00 PM – Benjamin Williams – Superintendent (former), – Taylor School District
- 8:00 PM – Amiee Erfourth – Principal, Benzie County Central Schools

Discussion Topics –

The Board of Education interviewed the three candidates, allowing for discussion to take place after the third interview of the evening, entailing the likes, wonders, and concerns. With Jay's lead, each member of the Board of Education was asked to rank

the six candidates (August 11, 2020 and August 12, 2020) in order from 1 to 6, 1 being the highest. Aimee Erfourth scored a 12, and Dorothy Blackwell and Travis Walker each scored 20 points.

Action Topic: It was moved by Mrs. Johnston and supported by Mrs. Pomper to bring back the following Second Round Candidates for Benzie County Central Schools Superintendent Search; Amiee Erfourth, Dorothy Blackwell, and Travis Walker.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

The board will adjourn and reconvene on Monday, August 24, 2020 at 6:00 PM for Second Round Interviews.

20-21-034 It was moved by Mrs. Brown and supported by Mrs. Pomper to adjourn the Special Board Meeting at 9:30PM.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion Carried


Secretary, Board of Education