

BENZIE COUNTY CENTRAL SCHOOLS



BOARD OF EDUCATION Monday, November 11, 2024 – 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 14, 2024 –Regular
 - B. Business – General Fund Bills - 1,271,849.34
 - C. Support Staff Appointments
 1. Christel Berndt – Early Childhood Assistant Teacher – Homestead Hills Elementary – Willsub
 2. Sheila Ferrel - -6.5 One on One Paraprofessional – Betsie Valley Elementary
 3. Sam Robotham – Early Childhood Assistant Teacher – Homestead Hills Elementary – Willsub
 4. Isabella Barton – 6.5 Paraprofessional – Middle/High School
 5. Andy Rosa – Girls Varsity Basketball Head Coach
 6. Chaz Grundy – Boys Junior Varsity Basketball Coach
 7. Daniel Deets – Boys Freshmen Basketball Coach
 - D. Staff Assignment Changes
 1. NONE
 - E. Leave of Absence
 1. NONE
 - 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, Matt Smith -
- VI. Student Council Report – Student Council Board of Education Representative, Sophie McLaren -
- VII. Administration Report
 - A. NMSLA – Superintendent Erfourth
 - B. Superintendent Goal Review – Updated Calibration – Rick Vandermolten
 - C. Benzie Academy Update – Principal, Rachel Anderson
 - D. Chicago Choir Trip- March 2025– Choral Director, Kirsten Cline

- E. Chartwells K12 Food Service Update, Director of Food Service, Lisa Purchase
- F. Snow Plow Bids 2024/25
- G. Finance Update – Audit Status – Director of Finance, Danielle Banasiak
- H. Benzie County Central Schools Accounts Update
- I. Resignations
 - 1. Robin Talsma – Bus Driver – Transportation Department
 - 2. Christa Gillison – 6.5 Paraprofessional – Homestead Hills Elementary
 - 3. Gregory Kempton – Middle School Wrestling Coach
 - 4. Chris Batchelder – 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
 - 5. Irv Meachum – Middle School Baseball Coach
 - 6. Julie Kaempfer – 5.5 Paraprofessional – Homestead Hills Elementary
 - 7. Cody VanDonkelaar – Assistant High School Wrestling Coach
 - 8. Andy Rosa – Junior Varsity Girls Basketball Coach
- J. Retirements
 - 1. NONE

- VIII. Board of Education/Committee Reports
 - A. Building and Grounds Committee
 - 1. Bond Project Updates –
 - 2. Construction Updates –
 - 3. Building and Grounds Modifications –
 - 1. NONE
 - B. Policy Committee
 - 1. NONE
 - C. Finance Committee – Smith – Gray -
 - D. Educational Foundation – Cota Hill -
 - E. Liaison/Curriculum – Cota Hill
 - F. Negotiations – Superintendent Erfourth

IX. Audience Participation (Agenda Items Only)

- X. Discussion Topics
 - 1. Current District Enrollment Summary Review Exit Out v. Transfer In – Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, Catina Crossman
 - 2. Proposal to extend date of closing (CLE Property) – Benzie Wellness Aquatic Center

XI. Action Topics

- A. Administrative Appointments
 - 1. NONE
- B. Approval of 2024/2025 Snow Plow Bids – Three-Year Contract
- C. Approval of March 2025 Chicago Choir Trip
- D. Approval of Benzie County Central Schools Accounts Update

XII. Audience Participation (Open Topics)

XIII. Board Communication

- NONE

XIV. Announcement

- 1. December 9, 2024 – Regular Board Meeting – 7:00 PM

*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.