

# BENZIE COUNTY CENTRAL SCHOOLS



BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Monday, January 13, 2025 – Regular Meeting



## January is School Board Recognition Month

### 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. Welcome and Introduction – New Board of Education Members
  - Sue Campana
  - Gregory Kempton

*-Recognition and Introduction-  
Benzie County Central Schools Board of Education  
Thank you!*

### V. 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. December 9, 2024 –Regular
- B. Business – General Fund Bills - 1,482,361.37
- C. Support Staff Appointments
  1. Cody Hanson – Assistant Wrestling Coach
  2. Jennifer Harris – Junior Varsity Softball Coach
  3. Karen Zickert – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Coach
  4. Natasha Schropp – Assistant GSRP Lead Teacher – Lake Ann Elementary - Willsub
  5. Tammera Roeske - .5 Special Education Teacher – Lake Ann Elementary
- D. Staff Assignment Changes
  1. NONE
- E. Leave of Absence
  1. NONE
- F. Recommendation for Tenure
  1. Dana Shepherd
- G. Recommendation for Termination following Probationary Period
  1. NONE
- H. Recommendation for Termination
  1. Lewis Herman – PM Custodian – Homestead Hills Elementary and High School
- I. Contract Updates
  1. NONE

- VI. District Impact Team Update – Board of Education Trustee, Matt Smith -

VII. Student Council Report – Student Council Board of Education Representative, Sophie McLaren -

VIII. Administration Report

- A. NMSLA – Superintendent Erfourth
- B. Recognition of All-State Athletes
- C. Homestead Hills Elementary Update – Principal, Steve Graetz
- D. Middle School Update – Principal, Alex Byland
- E. Advanced Placement Human Geography – High School Teacher, Danielle Schafer
- F. 2023/24 Audit Review – Julie Burks - Dennis, Gartland, Niergarth
- G. Budget Amendment #1 – Director of Finance, Danielle Banasiak
- H. Resignations
  - 1. NONE
- I. Retirements
  - 1. NONE

IX. 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 –
- D. Liaison – Childs -
- E. Negotiations – Superintendent Erfourth

X. Audience Participation (Agenda Items Only)

XI. Discussion Topics

- 1. Current District Enrollment Summary Review Exit Out v. Transfer In – Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, Catina Crossman

XII. Action Topics

- A. Administrative Appointments
  - 1. NONE
- B. Approval of Advanced Placement Human Geography
- C. Approval of the 2023/24 Audit Review
- D. Approval of Budget Amendment #1
- E. Suttons Bay Virtual Reciprocity Agreement – 18-Credit Option

XIII. Audience Participation (Open Topics)

XIV. Board Communication

- Welcome Mikayla Scholts – Athletic Trainer - Mikayla earned her undergraduate degree in Athletic Training from Saginaw Valley State University. Her passion for helping athletes stay healthy and active led her to pursue a career in athletic training. She furthered her education with a master’s degree in Sports Psychology and Applied Sports Science from Pennsylvania Western University.

**XV. Announcement**

- 1. January 17, 2025 – Early Release – End of 1<sup>st</sup> Marking Period**
- 2. January 20, 2025 – NO SCHOOL**
- 3. January 31, 2025 – Early Release**

**Happy New Year!**

\*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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