

BENZIE COUNTY CENTRAL SCHOOLS



BOARD OF EDUCATION
Monday, August 11, 2025 – 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. July 14, 2025 Regular
 - B. Business – General Fund Bills – No Report
 - C. Support Staff Appointments
 - 1. Paige Sauer – Long term substitute teacher – Homestead Hills Elementary
 - D. Staff Assignment Changes
 - 1. Natasha Schropp – Assistant GSRP Teacher – From Willsub to Benzie Employee
 - 2. John Marshall – 5.5 Paraprofessional to 6.5 Paraprofessional – Lake Ann Elementary
 - 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, Piper Barnard – No Report.
- VII. Administration Report
 - A. NMSLA – Superintendent Erfourth
 - B. Strategic Plan Update
 - C. Buildings, Grounds, and Operations Update – Director of Operations, Mike Zielinski
 - D. Sex Education Advisory Council – Carmen Briggs and Danielle Gray
 - E. Resignations
 - 1. Lisa Cook – 6.5 Paraprofessional – Lake Ann Elementary
 - 2. Cody Hanson – Assistant Varsity Wrestling Coach
 - 3. Justin Grahn – Middle School Wrestling Coach
 - 4. Lauren Allen – Bus Driver – Transportation Department
 - 5. Theresa Edgar – 6.5 Paraprofessional – Betsie Valley Elementary
 - 6. Jenny Harris – Junior Varsity Softball Coach

- F. Retirements
1. NONE
- VIII. Board of Education/Committee Reports
- A. Building and Grounds Committee
1. Bond Project Updates – Bids:
- Betsie Valley Elementary; Kitchen, canopy and bathrooms
 - BV, LA, MS, HS Corridor Lockers
 - Joist by Art Room Canopy
 - MS/HS Windows
2. Construction Updates –
3. Building and Grounds Modifications –
1. NONE
- B. Policy Committee
1. Policy Updates
- *4221 Employee Speech*
 - *5407 Instructional Program and Curriculum Development*
 - *5407-F Instructional Materials Opt-Out Form*
- C. Finance Committee – Smith
- D. Parent Advisory Council - Campana
- E. Liaison – Kempton – NONE
- F. Negotiations – Paraprofessional Contract 2025-2028
- 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 – No Report
- XI. Action Topics
- A. Administrative Appointments
1. NONE
- B. Approval of Betsie Valley Elementary; Kitchen, canopy and bathrooms
- C. Approval of BV, LA, MS, HS Corridor Lockers
- D. Approval of Joist by Art Room Canopy
- E. Approval of MS/HS Windows
- F. Approval of Policy Updates:
- *4221 Employee Speech*
 - *5407 Instructional Program and Curriculum Development*
 - *5407-F Instructional Materials Opt-Out Form*
- G. Approval of Paraprofessional Contract 2025-2028
- XII. Audience Participation (Open Topics)
- XIII. Board Communication
- XIV. Announcement
1. Teacher/Staff Professional Development – August 26, 27, 28, 2025
2. Open Houses – August 27, 2025 – Times to be determined
3. Labor Day – No School -September 1, 2025
4. First Day of School – September 2, 2025
5. Regular Board Meeting – September 8, 2025 – 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.