

ITEMS TO INCLUDE ON AGENDA
BENTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Instructional Support Levy

- Hearing on the Proposed Resolution
- Resolution to Continue Participation in the Instructional Support Program

NOTICE MUST BE GIVEN PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 21, CODE OF IOWA, AND THE LOCAL RULES OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

September 20, 2023

The Board of Directors of the Benton Community School District, in the Counties of Benton, Tama and Iowa, State of Iowa, met in _____ session, in the Central Office Board Room, 304 1st Street, Van Horne, Iowa, at 6:00 P.M., on the above date. There were present President _____, in the chair, and the following named Board Members:

Absent: _____

Vacant: _____

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The President announced that this is the time, place and date to hold a hearing on the proposed Resolution to Continue Participation in the Instructional Support Program. The following persons appeared:

(List the persons who appeared or attach the minutes of the hearing)

The President declared the hearing closed.

Director _____ introduced the following Resolution and moved its adoption. Director _____ seconded the motion to adopt. The roll was called, and the vote was:

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

The President declared the Resolution adopted as follows:

RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE PARTICIPATION IN THE
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has determined that to continue the current level of services and to fund the ongoing programs of the School District, continuation of participation in the Instructional Support Program for a period of five years is necessary and in the best interests of the District and its residents and students; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has given consideration to continue participation in the Instructional Support Program as provided in Sections 257.18 through 257.21, Code of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the Board has published notice of the time and place of a public hearing on the Resolution; and

WHEREAS, a hearing has been held upon the proposal to continue participation in the Instructional Support Program and any objections are overruled:

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED:

1. The Board of Directors determines that it is consistent with the five year finance plan to fund the ongoing programs and services of the School District and it is in the best interest of the School District to continue participation in an Instructional Support Program as provided

in Sections 257.18 through 257.21, Code of Iowa, and to provide additional funding therefor for a period of five (5) years commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

2. The additional funding for the Instructional Support Program for a budget year will be determined annually and will not exceed ten percent (10%) of the total regular program district cost for the budget year and moneys received under Section 257.14, Code of Iowa, as a budget adjustment for the budget year.

3. Moneys received by the District for the Instructional Support Program may be used for the purposes of: building budget allocations, textbook budget allocations, technology expenditures, Comprehensive School Improvement plan and Iowa Core Curriculum and any other general fund purpose approved by the Board.

4. The Instructional Support Program shall be funded by instructional support state aid and a combination instructional support property tax levied annually upon the taxable property within the School District commencing with the levy of property taxes for collection in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, and an instructional support income surtax imposed annually, the percent of income surtax to be determined by the Board for each budget year to be imposed upon the state individual income tax of each individual income taxpayer resident in the School District on December 31, 2024, and each year thereafter.

5. Unless, within twenty-eight days following the adoption of this Resolution, the Secretary of the Board receives a petition containing the signatures of eligible electors equal in number to not less than one hundred or thirty percent of the number of voters at the last preceding regular school election, whichever is greater, asking that an election be called to approve or disapprove this action of the Board adopting the Instructional Support Program, this action of the Board is final and the Secretary is authorized and directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the Department of Management.

In the event a petition containing the required number of signatures is filed with the Secretary of the Board within twenty-eight days of the adoption of this Resolution, the President shall call a meeting of the Board to consider rescission of this Resolution, or to direct the county commissioner of elections to submit the following question to the qualified electors of the School District at a special election.

If the Board determines to submit the question to the electors, the proposition to be submitted shall be as follows:

Shall the Board of Directors of the Benton Community School District, in the Counties of Benton, Tama and Iowa, State of Iowa, be authorized for a period of five (5) years to continue to levy and impose an instructional support tax in an amount (after taking into consideration instructional support state aid) of not exceeding ten percent (10%) of the total of regular program district cost for the budget year and moneys received under Section 257.14, Code of Iowa, as a budget adjustment in the budget year, and be authorized annually, in combination, as determined by the Board, to levy an

instructional support property tax upon all the taxable property within the School District commencing with the levy of property taxes for collection in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, and to impose an instructional support income surtax upon the state individual income tax of each individual income taxpayer resident in the School District on December 31 for each calendar year commencing with calendar year 2024, or each year thereafter, the percent of income surtax to be determined by the Board for each fiscal year, to be used for the purposes of: building budget allocations, textbook budget allocations, technology expenditures, Comprehensive School Improvement plan and Iowa Core Curriculum and any other general fund purpose approved by the Board?

6. All other resolutions and orders, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed; and this Resolution shall be in effect from and after its adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 20th day of September, 2023.

President of the Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Secretary of the Board of Directors

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF IOWA

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COUNTY OF BENTON

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I, the undersigned Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Benton Community School District, in the Counties of Benton, Tama and Iowa, State of Iowa, do hereby certify that attached is a true and complete copy of the portion of the corporate records of the School District showing proceedings of the Board, and the same is a true and complete copy of the action taken by the Board with respect to the matter at the meeting held on the date indicated in the attachment, which proceedings remain in full force and effect, and have not been amended or rescinded in any way; that the meeting and all action was duly and publicly held in accordance with a notice of meeting and a tentative agenda, a copy of which was timely served on each member of the Board and posted on a bulletin board or other prominent place easily accessible to the public and clearly designated for that purpose at the principal office of the Board pursuant to the local rules of the Board and the provisions of Chapter 21, Code of Iowa, upon reasonable advance notice to the public and media at least twenty-four hours prior to the commencement of the meeting as required by law and with members of the public present in attendance; I further certify that the individuals named therein were on the date thereof duly and lawfully possessed of their respective offices as indicated therein, that no board vacancy existed except as may be stated in the proceedings, and that no controversy or litigation is pending, prayed or threatened involving the incorporation, organization, existence or boundaries of the School District or the right of the individuals named therein as officers to their respective positions.

WITNESS my hand this _____ day of _____, 2023.

Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Benton
Community School District

CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

I, _____, certify that the attached is a true and complete copy of the portion of the corporate records of the Benton Community School District showing the action of the Board to participate in the Instructional Support Program, that such proceedings remain in full force and effect and have not been amended or rescinded in any way, and that no petition requesting an election was filed within the twenty-eight day period following the Board action.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2023.

Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Benton
Community School District

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FILING

I, _____, certify that on the _____ day of _____, 2023, there was filed in the office of the Department of Management a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Benton Community School District, in the Counties of Benton, Tama and Iowa, State of Iowa, adopted on September 20, 2023; the Resolution provides for Continued Participation in the Instructional Support Program as provided in Sections 257.18 through 257.21, Code of Iowa.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2023.

State of Iowa, Department of Management