

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF THE HARDING COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 31-1 WAS HELD FEBRUARY 14, 2024, AT 4:00 PM. AT THE HARDING COUNTY SCHOOL HEALTH ROOM.

Members Present: Randy Routier, Taz Olson, Billy Clanton, Will Meyer, and Tawni Cordell. Administration Present: Superintendent Josh Page, Business Manager Elizabeth Henderson, Principal/AD Kelly Messmer.

Visitors Present: Traci Routier, BJ Padden, Travis Smith, Nathan Wagner.

President Meyer called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.  
Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Unless otherwise noted, all Board action was by unanimous decision.

**24-117 Consent Agenda.**

Motion by Routier, second by Cordell to approve the consent agenda:

Approve the Agenda.

Approve the Minutes of the January 17, 2024, Regular Meeting

Approve the Financial Report.

Motion carried.

	GENERAL	CAPITAL OUT.	SPECIAL ED	BOND RED.	FOOD SERV.
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>(115,606.09)</b>	<b>1,781,511.42</b>	<b>292,041.02</b>	<b>841,745.71</b>	<b>(12,156.28)</b>
Receipts:					
Local sources	14,873.80	14,160.59	4,768.54	4,787.20	8,867.36
County sources	1,185.50				
State sources	125,156.00				
Federal sources	40,799.00				3,135.48
Supply Chain Asst					
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>182,014.30</b>	<b>14,160.59</b>	<b>4,768.54</b>	<b>4,787.20</b>	<b>12,002.84</b>
Disbursements	235,574.89	21,372.40	49,711.63		12,058.23
Acct Payable					
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>235,574.89</b>	<b>21,372.40</b>	<b>49,711.63</b>		<b>12,058.23</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>(169,166.68)</b>	<b>1,774,299.61</b>	<b>247,097.93</b>	<b>846,532.91</b>	<b>(12,211.67)</b>

JANUARY PAYROLL AND BENEFITS

General	108,427.70
Superintendent & Secretary	15,184.77
Principals and Secretary	13,851.16
Business Manager	7,782.65
Custodians	12,761.33
X-Cur	948.97
Bus Driver	6,068.05
Special Education	30,914.03
Food Service	6,403.72

24-118 Approve Bills for Payment. Motion by Clanton, second by Olson to approve the bills. Motion carried.

**GENERAL FUND**

ASBSD	CONTRACT SERVICE	55.00
AMAZON	SUPPLIES	1,056.65
AMERICINN-FT PIERRE	WR TRAVEL	1,148.10
BUFFALO HARDWARE	SUPPLIES	823.31
BHSU	SUPPLIES	70.00
BISON GRAIN	BUS MTNCE	903.48
CARDMEMBER SERVICES	SUPPLIES/TRAVEL	2,254.29
CENEX FLEETCARD	FUEL	37.36
CONSOLIDATED	UTILITIES	122.06
GRAND ELECTRIC	UTILITIES	7,022.50
H&L	SUPPLIES	222.38
HEALTH EQUITY	FLEX FEES	13.55
HOWARD JOHNSON	TRAVEL	568.00
IMPREST/KILLDEER HS	WRESTLING FEE	200.00
IMPREST/AARON MAILLOUX	OFFICIAL	606.30
IMPREST/SHANE MAILLOUX	OFFICIAL	305.00
IMPREST/BRENT REAUSAW	OFFICIAL	216.80
IMPREST/DEJON BAKKEN	OFFICIAL	282.00
IMPREST/SCOTT REEDE	OFFICIAL	210.00
IMPREST/JOHN WAGENDORF	OFFICIAL	210.00
IMPREST/JO PIEKKOLA	OFFICIAL	160.00
IMPREST/LYMAN SCHOOL DIST	WRESTLING FEE	150.00
IMPREST/AT&T	PHONE	81.09
IMPREST/WEX BANK	FUEL	79.72
IMPREST/JUSTO TOBAR	OFFICIAL	518.00
IMPREST/TODD ALBERTSON	OFFICIAL	165.00
IMPREST/ADAM NESS	OFFICIAL	376.50
IMPREST/AUSTIN VANDERWAL	OFFICIAL	399.40
IMPREST/TRAVIS LADSON	OFFICIAL	468.30
IMPREST/MIKE MILLER	OFFICIAL	205.00
IMPREST/DIV OF CRIMINAL INV	BACKGROUND CHECK	43.25
IMPREST/PIONEER BANK	SAFE DEPOSIT BOX RENT	30.00
IMPREST/PIERRE HS	WRESTLING FEE	75.00
IMPREST/BELLE FOURCHE HS	WRESTLING FEE	200.00
IMPREST/TODD DAUWEN	OFFICIAL	237.00
IMPREST/CHRIS GOLDSMITH	OFFICIAL	165.00
IMPREST/BRENT DIRK	OFFICIAL	165.00
IMPREST/JESSE STRICHERZ	OFFICIAL	165.00
IMPREST/CAIN KOLAR	OFFICIAL	165.00
IMPREST/RON ERICKSON	OFFICIAL	260.00
IMPREST/WAYNE JOHNSON	OFFICIAL	20.00
IMPREST/HARLEY MOLLMAN	OFFICIAL	40.00
LADNER LUTHERAN CHURCH	ELECTION POLLING RENT	50.00
LUDLOW HALL	ELECTION POLLING RENT	50.00
LYNN JACKSON	ATTORNEY SERVICES	1,032.00
MCLEODS	ELECTION SUPPLIES	129.40
MDU	UTILITIES	153.11

MESSMER, KELLY	REIMBURSE TRAVEL	343.72
OLSON FUELS	FUEL	2,923.88
OLSON PROPANE	PROPANE	8,345.05
RAPID TIRE & ALIGNMENT	BUS MTNCE/TIRES	1,880.46
RALPH LUTHERAN CHURCH	ELECTION POLLING RENT	50.00
REVA HALL	ELECTION POLLING RENT	50.00
SANFORD OCC MED	CONTRACT SERVICE	129.00
TMS	CONTRACT SERVICE	72.00
TRAINING ROOM	SUPPLIES	154.88
TOWN OF BUFFALO	UTILITIES	320.95
TURBIVILLE PHOTOGRAPHY	SUPPLIES	39.00
WRCTC	PHONE SERVICE	607.79
	<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>36,826.28</b>
<b>CAPTIAL OUTLAY</b>		
ABM	COPIER LEASE	1,696.70
FOLLETT	LIBRARY EQUIPMENT	1,092.36
HAUFF SPORTS	EQUIPMENT	580.00
WRCTC	PHONE LEASE	267.13
	<b>TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>	<b>3,636.19</b>
<b>SPED</b>		
AMAZON	SUPPLIES	235.00
HEALTH EQUITY	FEES	3.85
PRAIRIE PERFORMANCE PT	PT SERVICES	936.00
KYLEE WAGNER	OT SERVICES	1,995.00
	<b>TOTAL SPED</b>	<b>3,169.85</b>
<b>FOOD SERVICE</b>		
CARDMEMBER SERVICES	REPLACE EQUIPMENT	312.90
H&L	FOOD	74.29
SYSCO	FOOD	648.29
US FOODS	FOOD	4,492.53
	<b>TOTAL FOOD SERVICE</b>	<b>5,528.01</b>
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>49,160.33</b>

**24-119 Regional History Day.** Regional History Day has been set for March 11, 2024. There will be an additional 4-5 schools attending and competing with 150 students. Motion by Olson, second by Cordell to amend the calendar for no school for middle school and high school on March 11, 2024. Motion carried. Elementary will be in session as normal.

**24-120 Open Negotiations – HCEA.** BJ Padden, president of the HCEA requested to open negotiations with the board for the 2024-2025 school year. Motion by Clanton, second by Olson to open negotiations. Motion carried. The board set negotiations committees as follows:

- Salary Committee – Will Meyer & Billy Clanton
- Calendar Committee – Randy Routier & Taz Olson
- Policy Committee – Tawni Cordell

**24-121 Bullock Community Club.** Business Manager Henderson shared that the transfer of Painter School to the Bullock Community Club was just waiting on final drafts from the school attorney which should be in the next week or so. Motion by Olson, second by Routier to table the transfer until March. Motion carried.

**24-122 Approve Contracts.** Motion by Cordell, second by Clanton to approve the following contracts:  
Tonja Montgomery Hansen – Prom Advisor - \$509.00  
Traci Routier – Prom Advisor - \$509.00  
Jewel Lyons – Library Media Specialist - \$5,000.00

Motion carried.

**24-123 Election Agreement.** Motion by Routier, second by Olson to approve the election agreement to join with the county for the June Primary and board regular election. Motion carried. There are two 3-year positions available. Petitions may be picked up at the school business office beginning March 1, 2024, and are due by 5:00pm on March 26, 2024.

**OPEN FORUM – none**

**24-124 Nwas Report.** Routier shared that the Early Childhood Specialist was resigning at the end of the school year, and they will be advertising the position. South Dakota Public Broadcasting will also be doing a segment and a newspaper article with statewide reach. The mobile unit program will be discussed, hoping to shed more light on the program.

**24-125 Business Manager.** Henderson gave the Business Manager report. The insurance meeting in Huron is on March 12-13, which coincides with the next school board meeting. After discussion, the March board meeting will be held on March 14 at 5:30pm.

**24-126 K-12 Principal Report.** Principal Messmer gave the Principal/AD report. Parent-teacher conferences were last week and were well attended. Region and state tournaments are on the horizon, with Harding County hosting the Region Girls Basketball on February 20 & 22. FFA will begin their spring contests on Wednesdays with 30 students competing in various categories. Mrs. Routier will be taking 36 students from grades 4-6 to the Festival Choir in Sturgis on March 5. Congratulations to the January Character Counts & Students of the Month:

- Buffalo Elementary – Barrett Cordell – “Integrity”
- Harding County Middle School – Gracie Richter – “Plucky”
  - Kamry Padden – Student of the Month
- Harding County High School – Jace Vroman – “Plucky”
  - Doyle Lermeny – Student of the Month

**23-127 Superintendent Report.** Supt. Page gave the Superintendent report. The Dept of Homeland Security Grant was submitted and is going through the review process. Supt Page shared legislation that is currently working its way through Pierre regarding teacher salary and state aid funding.

**23-128 Executive Session.** Motion by Routier, second by Cordell to enter Executive Session at 4:26pm pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) for personnel. Motion carried. The board was declared out of executive session at 4:32pm.

President Meyer declared the meeting adjourned at 4:32pm.

Submitted By:

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Elizabeth Henderson  
Business Manager

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Will Meyer  
Board President

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