

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF THE HARDING COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 31-1 WAS HELD AUGUST 13, 2025, AT 5:30 PM. AT THE HARDING COUNTY SCHOOL LIBRARY.

Members Present: Taz Olson, Billy Clanton, Dillon Lermeney (phone), Clint Doll (phone), and Tawni Cordell.
Administration Present: Superintendent Josh Page, Business Manager Elizabeth Henderson, Principal/A D Kelly Messmer.

Visitors Present: BJ Padden.

President Olson called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.
Pledge of Allegiance was said.

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

26-23 Consent Agenda. Motion by Clanton, second by Cordell to approve the consent agenda as follows:

Approve Agenda.

Approve the Minutes of the July 9th Regular Meeting & Budget Hearing and July 29th Special Meeting

Approve the Financial Report.

Motion carried.

	GENERAL	CAPITAL OUT.	SPECIAL ED	BOND RED.	FOOD SERV.
Beginning Balance	546,731.79	2,582,974.84	368,881.60	146,815.31	2,661.89
Receipts:					
Local sources	4,566.19	8,946.53	2,185.82	1,071.45	173.33
County sources	1,519.00				
State sources	85,170.00				
Federal sources					
Accounts Receivable	67,961.82				939.95
Total Revenue	159,217.01	8,946.53	2,185.82	1,071.45	1,113.28
Disbursements	210,948.63	85,171.11	7,634.52		567.53
Acct Payable	131,516.05	9,170.49	27,366.22		4,580.42
Total Disbursements	342,464.68	94,341.60	35,000.74		5,147.95
Ending Balance	363,484.09	2,497,579.77	336,066.68	147,886.76	(1,372.78)

JULY PAYROLL AND BENEFITS

General	112,204.20
Superintendent & Secretary	17,0863.54
Principals and Secretary	13,624.20
Business Manager	8,885.96
Custodians	24,909.51
X-Cur	899.73
Bus Driver	0.00
Special Education	30,743.31
Food Service	4,579.65

26-24 Approve Bills for Payment. Motion by Clanton, second by Doll to approve the bills. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND

AMAZON	SUPPLIES	4,295.77
AMERICINN	TRAVEL	224.00
AT&T	PHONE SERVICE	113.54
BUFFALO HARDWARE	SUPPLIES	423.93
CENEX FLEETCARD	FUEL	220.78
ELAN FINANCIAL / VISA	SUPPLIES/FUEL	7,611.11
GAME ONE	SUPPLIES	2,179.60
GOOSENECK IMPLEMENT	PARTS	81.40
GRAMPS WINDSHIELD REPAIR	EXPEDITION - ROCK CHIP	50.00
GRAND ELECTRIC	UTILITIES	5,886.31
HAUFF MID AMERICA	VOLLEYBALLS	876.00
HC WEED	CONTRACT SERVICE	492.72
HEALTH EQUITY	FEES	21.25
HENDERSON, ELIZABETH	MILEAGE	313.56
HUB INTERNATIONAL	VEHICLE INSURANCE	1,506.00
ICARE	SURFACE REPAIRS	525.00
IMPREST/PBT	PER DIEM	224.00
IMPREST/WEX BANK	FUEL	695.32
IMPREST/HEALTH EQUITY	FEES	13.55
IMPREST/SD DMV	TITLE/PLATES 2019 BLUEBIRD	26.70
IMPREST/ATT	PHONE SERVICE	158.58
IMPREST/SD DCI	BACKGROUND CHECKS	86.50
JANVRIN, JERRY	REIMBURSE DOT	124.50
NATION CENTER NEWS	PUBLISHING/ADVERTISING	930.93
NORTH CENTRAL SUPPLY	DOOR REPAIRS	4,822.00
NWAS	DRIVERS ED MILEAGE	1,705.15
OLSON FUELS	FUEL	546.92
PERFORMANCE OFFICE PAPERS	PAPER	2,874.80
PITNEY BOWES	POSTAGE	350.00
RAS	WORK COMP ADJ	3,223.00
REGION IV ADMINISTRATORS	DUES AND FEES	500.00
SASD	DUES AND FEES	770.00
SCHOLASTIC	SUBSCRIPTIONS	687.51
SCHOOL SPECIALTY	SUPPLIES	489.70
SDI INNOVATIONS	SUPPLIES	348.72
SDUSA	DUES AND FEES	500.00
TMS	CONTRACT SERVICE	78.50
TOWN OF BUFFALO	UTILITIES	465.59
WENDT, TRACEY	REIMBURSE SUPPLIES	138.06
WRCTC	PHONE SERVICE	489.79
	TOTAL GENERAL FUND	45,070.79

GRANTS

ELAN FINANCIAL / VISA	INSERVICE SUPPLIES	118.43
	TOTAL GRANTS	118.43

CAPTIAL OUTLAY

ABM	COPIER LEASE	1,731.19
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AMAZON	EQUIPMENT / BOOKS	670.32
APPLE COMP	IPADS	6,480.00
BSN SPORTS	UNIFORMS	5,880.00
BAIER CONSTRUCTION	FLOORING	4,551.00
BUFFALO HARDWARE	BLDG MAINTENANCE	8,872.05
DAKOTA EQUIPMENT RENTAL	LAWNMOWER	6,599.99
ELAN FINANCIAL / VISA	EQUIPMENT / BOOKS	1,117.53
HILLS INTERIORS	KITCHEN FLOORING	20,378.68
JK SERVICES	FLOORING	1,660.00
NOREDINK	SUBSCRIPTION	2,800.00
ROCKET MATH	SUBSCRIPTION	500.00
STERLING COMP	LAPTOPS / SURFACES / PC LAB	60,852.24
	TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	122,093.00
SPED		
CRISTY DAVIS	SUMMER SPEECH	1,290.00
KYLEE WAGNER	OT SERVICES	1,430.75
	TOTAL SPED	2,720.75
FOOD SERVICE		
ELAN FINANCIAL / VISA	SUPPLIES	834.69
	TOTAL FOOD SERVICE	834.69
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	170,837.66

26-25 24-25 Smarter Balanced Test Scored. Principal Messmer reviewed the 2024-25 Smarter Balanced Test Scores with the board for grades 3-8 and 11. All grade levels were proficient in Math, Language Arts, and Science and most were at or above the state average.

26-26 Open Meetings. Business Manager Henderson reviewed the open meetings guide from the SD Attorney General's office with the board as required by SDCL 1-25-13.

26-27 Increase Imprest. Business Manager Henderson reviewed the need to increase imprest with the board due to rising costs. Motion by Doll, second by Clanton to increase imprest from \$5000 to \$8000. Motion carried.

26-28 Approve Volunteer Coaches. Motion by Cordell, second by Clanton to approve the following volunteer coaches: Marisa Hett, volleyball; Sadie Podzimek, volleyball; Ray Ginsbach, football; Ashley Padden, wrestling; David Wickstrom, wrestling; BJ Padden, wrestling; Taz Olson, wrestling; BJ Padden, track; Wally Stephens, track; Wayne Johnson, track. Motion carried.

26-29 Approve Negotiated Agreement. Motion by Clanton, second by Lermeny to approve the 2025-26 Negotiated Agreement. Motion carried.

OPEN FORUM - None

26-30 CTE Discussion / NWAS. Supt Page shared some preliminary cost estimates with the board regarding a new CTE building and weight room addition. The board discussed options for each and gathered questions regarding the estimates and specs. Supt Page will be in contact with the architects to gather more information.

26-31 Surplus Items. Henderson shared a list of surplus items with the board. A full list is available at the school office. Motion by Cordell, second by Clanton to surplus 25 nonworking desktops, 37

nonworking laptops, 6 nonworking iPads, 8 nonworking Surfaces; 23 wireless hotspots; 3 server switches; 17 working iPads, 50 chairs of various sizes, and 15 strider bikes. Motion carried. The working iPads are available for sale through the school business office, as-is with no warranty, first come first served. They are \$25 each with a charging cord (only a few available), and \$20 each without a charging cord. The strider bikes and chairs are available by contacting Supt Page.

26-32 Approve School Improvement Plan- Supt Page went over changes, updates, etc. to the document. Motion by Clanton, Second by Cordell to approve plan. Motion carried.

26-33 NWA Report. The NWA report was discussed. It was decided that member schools could rent the unused mobile units if they had their own teacher for \$6000 plus the cost of supplies each year. They are continuing to look for teachers; CAD, Health, and Culinary Arts are currently open.

26-34 Business Manager. Henderson gave the Business Manager report. Audit went well and is working on finalizing the annual report and preparing for the start of the school year.

26-35 K-12 Principal Report. Principal Messmer gave the Principal/AD report. Football, Volleyball and Cross-Country practices have begun. A huge thank you to the custodial staff for all of their hard work all summer long. The buildings and grounds look excellent.

26-36 Superintendent Report. Supt. Page gave the Superintendent report. Thank you to the custodians and summer workers for all their hard work. There will be a back-to-school open house on August 19th with Title I information available.

26-37 Executive Session. Motion by Cordell, second by Clanton to enter into executive session at 6:34pm in accordance with SDCL 1-25-2(1) for personnel. Motion carried. The board was declared out of executive session at 7:24pm.

Supt Page, Principal Messmer, Board Member Clanton, and Vice President Doll shared information from the ASBSD/SASD Joint Conference.

The JH Boys Basketball Coaching position is still open.

Kelcee Vroman will cover K-5 music two days a week for the school year while we continue to look for a full-time teacher. Holly Costello will also have an elementary art class this year.

President Olson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm.

Submitted By:

Elizabeth Henderson
Business Manager

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Taz Olson
Board President