

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF THE HARDING COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 31-1 WAS HELD MARCH 16, 2026, AT 5:30 PM. AT THE HARDING COUNTY SCHOOL LIBRARY.

Members Present: Taz Olson, Billy Clanton, Dillon Lermeney, Clint Doll, 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.

**26-129 Consent Agenda.**

Motion by Doll, second by Cordell to approve the agenda with the addition of Executive Session for SDCL 1-25-2(4) after Nwas report and tabling Preliminary Budget to April. Motion carried.

Approve Minutes of February 11<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting

Approve Financial Report

Motion by Clanton, second by Lermeney to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

	GENERAL	CAPITAL OUT.	SPECIAL ED	BOND RED.	FOOD SERV.
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>28,086.09</b>	<b>2,700,259.59</b>	<b>261,858.63</b>	<b>234,060.38</b>	<b>(19,602.06)</b>
Receipts:					
Local sources	43,295.28	68,246.38	25,406.37	13,218.81	4,807.84
County sources	11,970.22	27,742.26	10,771.92	5,602.49	
State sources	121,152.38				
Federal sources	10,803.00				3,857.37
Accounts Receivable					
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>187,220.88</b>	<b>95,988.64</b>	<b>36,178.29</b>	<b>18,821.30</b>	<b>8,665.21</b>
Disbursements	271,542.49	4,848.76	41,560.80		13,729.20
Acct Payable					
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>271,542.49</b>	<b>4,848.76</b>	<b>41,560.80</b>		<b>13,729.20</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>(56,235.52)</b>	<b>2,791,399.47</b>	<b>256,476.12</b>	<b>252,881.68</b>	<b>(24,666.05)</b>

FEBRUARY PAYROLL AND BENEFITS

General	107,828.67
Federal Title/REAP	8,479.74
Superintendent & Secretary	17,078.99
Principals and Secretary	14,635.61
Business Manager	8,885.96
Custodians	18,768.27
X-Cur	40,913.46
Bus Driver	8,273.84
Special Education	37,027.32
Food Service	7,185.68

26-130 Approve Bills for Payment. Motion by Clanton, second by Doll to approve the bills. Motion carried.

**GENERAL FUND**

AMAZON	SUPPLIES	973.03
BOBS RESORT	WRESTLING TRAVEL	1,162.70
BUFFALO HARDWARE	SUPPLIES	653.81
DOUBLETREE	WRESTLING ROOMS	712.00
ELAN FINANCIAL (VISA)	SUPPLES/TRAVEL	8,587.63
GLINES ELECTRIC	CONTRACT SERVICE	718.53
GLINES, TIM	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	87.50
GRAND ELECTRIC	UTILITIES	7,898.64
HC FOOD SERVICE	STARBASE LUNCHES	33.00
HEALTH EQUITY	FEES	17.40
HENDERSON, ELIZABETH	TRAVEL	738.71
HETT PLUMBING	REPAIRS & MTNCE	162.23
IMPREST/DEJON BAKKEN	OFFICIAL	269.00
IMPREST/CHAD BAUMGARTEN	OFFICIAL	171.00
IMPREST/JOHN WAGENDORF	OFFICIAL	171.00
IMPREST/JO PIEKKOLA	OFFICIAL	215.00
IMPREST/WAYNE JOHNSON	OFFICIAL	10.00
IMPREST/PIONEER BANK	PER DIEM - WRESTING/PRIN. CONF	3,800.00
IMPREST/WEX BANK	FUEL	574.39
IMPREST/TRAVIS LADSON	OFFICIAL	293.90
IMPREST/CAIN KOLAR	OFFICIAL	210.60
IMPREST/JESSE STRICHERZ	OFFICIAL	207.00
IMPREST/ADAM NESS	OFFICIAL	397.50
IMPREST/TANNER MCINERNEY	OFFICIAL	564.80
IMPREST/AARON MAILLOUX	OFFICIAL	165.60
IMPREST/SATTYN WILSON	OFFICIAL	75.00
IMPREST/RAELEE HUNSUCKER	OFFICIAL	75.00
IMPREST/DARRIEN KATTNER	OFFICIAL	363.90
IMPREST/ZACK STOWE	OFFICIAL	380.60
IMPREST/SHANE MAILLOUX	OFFICIAL	337.10
IMPREST/CASEY LINDHOLM	OFFICIAL	350.00
IMPREST/BLOSSOM AND BREW	PARENTS NIGHT FLOWERS/STAFF INSERVICE	292.91
IMPREST/BRAYDEN PADDEN	OFFICIAL	20.00
IMPREST/JUSTO TOBAR	OFFICIAL	435.50
IMPREST/SD DCI	BACKGROUND CHECK	50.00
IMPREST/RYDER HUNSUCKER	OFFICIAL	75.00
IMPREST/SDHSAA	STATE STU CO REG	1,370.00
IMPREST/JODY MONCUR	NHD SUPPLIES	141.54
IMPREST/JEWEL LYONS	NHD SUPPLIES	13.22
IMPREST/NEW ENGLAND SCHOOL	MATH MEET REG	100.00
MARC	SUPPLIES	321.46
NATION CENTER NEWS	PUBLISHING	245.87
NEVVISION	REPAIRS & MTNCE	974.17
OLSON FUELS	FUEL	2,310.55
PROPOINT	PROPANE	4,482.00
RAPID FIRE PROTECTION	REPAIRS & MTNCE	4,746.72

TOWN OF BUFFALO	UTILITIES & RENT	2,592.73
TMS	CONTRACT SERVICE	72.00
TURBIVILLE PHOTOGRAPHY	SUPPLIES	141.00
VERHULST, TATANIA	DIPLOMAS	65.00
WRCTC	PHONE SERVICE	669.43
	<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>49,495.67</b>
<b>CAPTIAL OUTLAY</b>		
ABM	COPIER LEASE	1,781.89
CENTRAL DISTRIBUTION	SCRUBBER	5,887.43
CO-OP ARCHITECTURE	ARCHITECURAL SERVICES	5,000.00
PITNEY BOWES	POSTAGE MACHINE LEASE	439.95
RIDDELL	FB HELMET RECONDITION	1,766.60
	<b>TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>	<b>14,875.87</b>
<b>SPED</b>		
DAVIS, CRISTY	SPEECH	2,160.00
ELAN FINANCIAL / VISA	TRAVEL / SUPPLIES	2,588.02
STUGELMEYER, KYLEE	OT PT SERVICES	2,303.75
	<b>TOTAL SPED</b>	<b>7,051.77</b>
<b>FOOD SERVICE</b>		
H&L SUPERVALU	FOOD	17.08
SYSCO FOODS	FOOD	2,556.70
US FOODS	FOOD	4,798.58
	<b>TOTAL FOOD SERVICE</b>	<b>7,372.36</b>
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>78,795.67</b>

**26-131 Board of Equalization.** Motion by Cordell, second by Clanton to appoint Clint Doll to the Board of Equalization. Motion carried.

**26-132 Insurance Renewal.** Henderson shared the results of the annual NPIP Insurance meeting. Health insurance received a 2% decrease in premiums for the 2026-27 school year. Vision and life insurance remained the same.

**26-120 Co-Op Architecture.** Supt Page shared updated plans for the proposed CTE Building and Weight Room addition. Committees will meet in the next couple of weeks to finalize any changes to the plans.

**OPEN FORUM:** None

**26-121 NWAS.** President Olson and Supt Page discussed the NWAS report. Auction dates for surplus equipment, land and buildings are being worked out, but tentatively vehicles will be sold in May and real estate towards July.

Motion by Clanton, second by Doll to enter into executive session at 5:43pm in accordance with SDCL 1-25-2(4) regarding NWAS Negotiations. Motion carried. The board was declared out of executive session at 6:00pm. Board member Doll left to attend the Board of Equalization Meeting.

**26-122 Business Manager.** Henderson gave the Business Manager report.

**26-123 K-12 Principal Report.** Principal Messmer gave the Principal/AD report. Congratulations to the February Character Counts and Students of the Month:

Buffalo Elementary: Lucille Besler - Caring  
Harding County Middle School: Brylee Crago "Student of the Month"  
Garrison Lyons - Supportive  
Harding County High School: Revyn Floyd "Student of the Month"  
Ryder Hunsucker - Supportive

Congratulations to the History Day Regional winners; 51 students will move on to state competition in Brookings. Congratulations to the Girls Basketball team on their Runner-Up finish at State! Spring sports start in the next few weeks as well as spring MAPS and state testing.

**26-124 Superintendent Report.** Supt. Page gave the Superintendent report. Preliminary Budget will be available in April as we are still waiting on numbers from the state. The grazing lease for the acreage north of the school is up for bid again. The board will discuss the lease at the next meeting. Negotiations and calendar committees will meet next week.

President Olson declared the meeting adjourned at 6:24 pm.

Submitted By:

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Elizabeth Henderson  
Business Manager  
The approximate cost of this publication is \$115.00.

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Taz Olson  
Board President