

SPECIAL MEETING
HURON BOARD OF EDUCATION
INSTRUCTIONAL PLANNING CENTER
FEBRUARY 24, 2025 - 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Tim Van Berkum, President, and members: Shelly Siemonsma, Garret Bischoff, Craig Lee, and Ray Cardona. Student board member Lily Halter. Superintendent Kraig Steinhoff and Kelly Christopherson, Business Manager.

Van Berkum called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Halter led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Siemonsma, second by Bischoff, and unanimously carried to adopt the agenda as amended.

Dates to Remember – February 23-March 1 Public Schools Week. February 28 5:00pm– Deadline for Filing Nominating Petitions for School Board Election. March 5 Early Release. March 10 Board of Education Meeting – 5:30 pm – IPC. March 14 No School – Spring Break. March 21 No School – Spring Break. March 24 Board of Education Meeting – 5:30 pm – IPC. April 8 School Board Election. April 14 Board of Education Meeting – 5:30pm – IPC. April 18 No School – Holiday Break. April 21 No School – Holiday Break. April 28 Board of Education Meeting – 5:30pm – IPC.

Community Input for Items not on the Agenda

None.

Conflict Disclosure and Consideration of Waivers

None.

Motion by Siemonsma, second by Bischoff, and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda including the following items: (1) The bills for payment as presented (see attached listing). (2) The hiring of Chyan Blythe/Substitute Teacher- \$160 per day/Substitute Para Educator - \$21.58 per hour. Charles Marquardt/Division I Admin Asst, McKinley - \$55,727 per year. Carter Hanson/Substitute Bus Driver, Transportation - \$35 per hour. (3) The resignations of Alyssa Schwartz/SPED Teacher, Buchanan - 6 months (February 2025). Charles Marquardt/10 mo. Admin Asst, McKinley (moving to 12 mo. position). (4) Contract for Jacob Dschaak/ESL Teacher, MS/\$17,430 per year (starting March 3, 2025). (5) Request

to Approve ESL Summer School, May 22 – June 6 (excluding Memorial Day Holiday). Classes will be held at Buchanan, Madison & Washington for Qualifying Students in Grades Kindergarten through 5th. (6) Request to approve the disposal of scraps/inedibles from the Mobile Meats Lab into the school dumpster. (7) Amendment to JLG contract to include welding ventilation, scoreboards, and High School kitchen.

The Board exchanged packets with HEA for 2025 teacher negotiations.

Celebrate Successes in the District

Superintendent Steinhoff reported on the successes in the District.

Reports

- A. Classified Employee of the Month – Sandy Swenson, custodian at the high school, was recognized as Classified Employee of the Month for March 2025.
- B. Good News Report – Roger Ahlers presented a technology department report to the Board.
- C. LAN Report – Tim Van Berkum gave a report on the 2025 Legislature.
- D. Superintendent’s Report – Kraig Steinhoff presented the Superintendent’s report to the Board.

Old Business

The Board conducted first reading of proposed changes to Board Policy Section L: Educational Agency Relations. No action was taken.

New Business

None.

Motion by Siemonsma, second by Bischoff, and unanimously carried to enter into executive session at 6:08 p.m. pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2. Executive or closed meetings may be held for the sole purpose of: (4) Preparing for contract negotiations or negotiating with employees or employee representatives.

Van Berkum declared executive session over at 6:37 p.m.

Motion by Bischoff, second by Siemonsma, and unanimously approved to adjourn at 6:37 p.m.

Tim Van Berkum, President

Kelly Christopherson, Business Manager