

REGULAR MEETING  
HURON BOARD OF EDUCATION  
INSTRUCTIONAL PLANNING CENTER  
FEBRUARY 10, 2025 - 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Tim Van Berkum by phone, President, and members: Shelly Siemonsma by phone, Garret Bischoff, Craig Lee by phone, and Ray Cardona. Student Board Member Teagan Peterson. Superintendent Kraig Steinhoff and Kelly Christopherson, Business Manager.

Bischoff chaired the meeting due to the Board Officers Van Berkum and Siemonsma calling in.

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

Peterson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Cardona, second by Lee, and unanimously carried to adopt the agenda as amended. Roll call vote: Cardona – Yes; Lee – Yes; Bischoff – Yes; Siemonsma – Yes; and Van Berkum – Yes.

Dates to Remember –February 17 President’s Day – No School. February 23-March 1 Public Schools Week. February 24 Board of Education Meeting – 5:30pm – IPC. 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 p.m. – IPC. March 14 No School – Spring Break. March 21 No School – Spring Break. March 24 Board of Education Meeting – 5:30 p.m. – IPC. April 8 School Board Election.

Community Input for Items not on the Agenda

None.

Conflict Disclosure and Consideration of Waivers

None.

Motion by Cardona, second by Lee, and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda including the following items: (1) The minutes from the meetings held on January 13 and January 27. (2) The financial report (as printed below). (3) The bills for payment as presented (see attached listing). (4) The hiring of Brianna Duerre/Substitute Teacher- \$160 per day/Substitute Para Educator - \$21.58 per hour. Saw Thaw/Substitute Traffic Control Worker/\$28.03 per hour. Javier Acosta/Substitute Custodian/\$20.77 per hour/Event Clean-Up Crew/\$30.28 per hour. Catherine Ramsell/Substitute Teacher- \$160 per day/Substitute Para Educator - \$21.58 per hour/Volunteer, District. Paul Wolf/Substitute Bus Driver/\$35 per hour. Sherry Payton/Food Service Helper, Madison - \$20.91 per hour. (5) The resignations of Jamee Kattner/HS Marching Band Choreographer - 3 years. Elizabeth Raml/Assistant Varsity Volleyball Coach – 5 years. (6) Contract for Devon Urban/Teacher-Buchanan K-1 Center/\$60,748 per year. (7) Leave of absence request for Audrey Kopfmann /Assistant Varsity Volleyball Coach/2025 season only. (8) An intent to apply for grant funding for Buchanan k-1 Center by Heather DeBoer from Huron Youth Leadership Council for t-shirts in the amount of \$750. (9) An intent to apply for grant funding for HHS Educators Rising by Brandi Fitzgerald from Huron Youth Leadership Council for state conference and competitions in the amount of \$750. (10) An intent to apply for grant funding for School Nutrition by Amanda Reilly from the SD DOE for an equipment grant in the amount of \$10,000. (11) Rehire Administrators for the 2025-2026 school year including Ralyna Abelseth, Roger Ahlers, Kathie Bostrom, James Cutshaw, Sr., Heather DeBoer, Scott DeBoer, John Halbkat, Kari Hinker, Lyndi Hudson, Jolene Konechne, Rodney Mittelstedt, Linda Pietz, Amanda Reilly, Heather Rozell, and Laura Willemsen. (12) An intent to apply for grant funding for Madison 2-3 Center by Lynn Soward from Huron Youth Leadership Council for books for a book vending machine in the amount of \$750. (13) An intent to apply for grant funding for a science club by Amber Eichstadt from Huron Youth Leadership Council for supplies in the amount of \$300. (14) An intent to apply for grant funding for the HHS Music Department by Tabitha Unruh from Huron Community Foundation to refurbish a Steinway Grand Piano in the amount of \$5000. (15) An intent to apply for grant funding for the HHS Music Department by Tabitha Unruh from Huron Youth Leadership Council to refurbish a Steinway Grand Piano in the amount of \$750. (16) An intent to apply for grant funding for the Class of 2026 by Chris Stahly from Huron Youth Leadership Council to be used for a DJ at prom in the amount of \$750. Roll call vote: Cardona – Yes; Lee – Yes; Bischoff – Yes; Siemonsma – Yes; and Van Berkum – Yes.

	Bank Balance 1-01-2025	Receipts	Disbursements	Bank Balance 1-31-2025
General Fund	4,722,390.78	1,856,862.40	2,243,402.04	4,335,851.14
Capital Outlay	13,582,991.66	43,532.62	371,888.55	13,254,635.73
Special Education	1,883,972.89	473,312.03	601,749.89	1,755,535.03
Building Fund	2,834.66	353.30	0.00	3,187.96
Bond Redem.- Elem	241,343.78	14,479.42	0.00	255,823.20
Food Service	747,554.79	251,896.13	95,738.55	760,841.38
Enterprise Fund	236,349.16	40,414.27	15,541.38	261,222.05

Activity Account	456,435.09	16,512.55	7,969.50	464,978.14
Health Insurance	170,970.68	403,374.82	390,494.74	183,850.76
Scholarship Fund	289,209.26	0.00	0.00	289,209.26
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Celebrate Successes in the District

Superintendent Steinhoff reported on the successes in the District.

Reports

- A. Classified Employee of the Month – Rod Witte, Custodian at the Washington 4-5 Center, was recognized as Classified Employee of the Month for February 2025.
- B. Good News Report – Laura Beck and 5<sup>th</sup> grade band students provided a report.
- C. High School Report - Aurora Dreyer and Kirsten DeGeest gave a report on Educator’s Rising.
- D. LAN Report – Tim Van Berkum gave a report on the 2025 Legislative Session.
- E. NSBA Advocacy – Garret Bischoff gave a report.
- F. Business Manager’s Report – Kelly Christopherson presented the Business Manager’s Report to the Board.
- G. Superintendent’s Report – Kraig Steinhoff presented the Superintendent’s report to the Board.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Motion by Cardona, second by Lee, and unanimously carried to approve the junior kindergarten proposal. Roll call vote: Cardona – Yes; Lee – Yes; Bischoff – Yes; Siemonsma – Yes; and Van Berkum – Yes.

The Board was introduced to proposed changes to Board Policy Section L: Educational Agency Relations. No action was taken.

Motion by Cardona, second by Siemonsma, and unanimously carried to enter into executive session at 6:15 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. Roll call vote: Cardona – Yes; Lee – Yes; Bischoff – Yes; Siemonsma – Yes; and Van Berkum – Yes.

Bischoff declared executive session over at 6:36 p.m.

Motion by Cardona, second by Van Berkum, and unanimously approved to adjourn at 6:36 p.m. Roll call vote: Cardona – Yes; Lee – Yes; Bischoff – Yes; Siemonsma – Yes; and Van Berkum – Yes.

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Garret Bischoff, Presiding Member

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Kelly Christopherson, Business Manager