Hazen Public School Regular Board Meeting August 11, 2025 HS Room 102

Present at the meeting were board members Brian Nolan, Jen Wallender, Laura Zingg, Marti Raad. Huber was absent. Also present were Supt. Ken Miller, Bus. Mgr. Billie Jo Peterson, Principal Trevor Sinclair, AD Bret Johnsrud, Principal Paul Richter, and Principal Jacob Kraft. Guests present were Dan Arens, Tammie Vernon, and Laura Dronen, and Dillon Dronen.

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m.

Minutes for the regular June monthly meeting were presented. Wallender moved to approve, second by Raad. All voted aye. M/C

There were no additions to the agenda and the agenda was set.

Financial Reports: a.) July Financial Statement; b.) July Bills totaling \$192,537.51; JP Morgan, 28,061.25; Computershare, 171,870.00; Precision Services, 128,522.00; HA Thompson & Sons, 3,321.94; Sakakawea Medical Center, 3,000.00; Kourtney Baasch, 120.00; D&E Supply, 122.22; Sydney Didier, 136.80; Keshia Egeberg, 140.00; Ashley Frank, 142.40; Haga Kommer, 2,100.00; Harlow's School Bus Service, 18,228.43; Hazen Hardware, 363.85; Hazen High School-Activity Account, 1,675.00; Hazen Star, 81.36; Lacy Holen, 120.00; Hot Lunch Program, 838.92; Kori Kaelberer, 65.00; Krause's Super Valu, 894.27; Marco Technologies, 1,306.95; Melissa Brandt, 50.00; Jayden Miller, 14.00; MDU, 8,127.59; Napa, 25.38; NDCEL, 345.00; ND FFA Organization, 200.00; Oliver Mercer Special Education, 74,598.41; RK Electric, 345.00; School Specialty, 222.99; Stein's, 1,409.64; US Postal Service, 266.00; Farmers Union Oil, 329.34; Hazen Welding, 124.50; Jennifer Jones, 14.00; Lily Ward, 14.00; Susan McCarthy, 130.00; Kendall Miller, 320.67; Safeguard Business Systems, 1,056.39; CDW-G, 72.17; Harlow's School Bus Service, 1,184.24; Hazen High School-Activity Account, 34,441.25; Stein's, 524.46; Hazen High School-Activity Account, 1,000.00; Bill Zingg, 183.00; St. Alexius Health Care, 305.44; City of Hazen, 979.38; Edutech, 40.00; Farmers Union Oil, 1,022.98; Hazen Hardware, 209.16; Hazen Star, 227.28; Krause's Super Valu, 29.52; ND Small Organized Schools, 500.00; Pitney Bowes, 400.00; Record Keepers, 52.50. Raad moved to approve financial reports a and b, second by Zingg. All voted aye. M/C.

## **Committee Reports:**

There is none to report at this time.

## **New Business:**

Policies – 2<sup>nd</sup> Readings: Political Activities(ABBDA) – Raad made a motion to rescind and recommends to adapt the new policy. Second by Wallender. All voted aye. M/C. PTO/Sick Leave(DDBE) – Wallender made a motion to rescind the sick leave policy from 2019 and revise the new policy that reflects the accumulating sick leave bank from 120 days to 130 days; Raad second. All voted aye. M/C. Reduction in Force(DKA) – Zingg made a motion to rescind the current policy and adopt the recommending policy. Raad second. All voted aye. M/C. Student Fees(FBA) – Policy was revised to reflect state law. Raad motioned to rescind the current policy and adopt the recommended policy; second by Zingg. All voted aye. M/C Accommodating students with allergies and special dietary needs(FCAA and FCAA-AR) – Zingg moved to approve both policies; second by Wallender. All voted aye. M/C. Personal Electronic Communication Devices – Prohibition During Instructional Time(FFI) – School boards association made policy; second by Zingg. All voted aye. M/C. Patriotic Exercises(GACB) – Zingg moved to approve; second by Wallender. All voted aye. M/C. Patron Complaints(KACA) – Zingg moved to approve; second by Wallender. All voted aye. M/C. Patron Complaints(KACA) – Zingg moved to rescind current policy and adopt the recommended policy; second by Zingg. All voted aye. M/C.

**School Building Student Handbook Revisions:** Raad moved to approve the elementary school handbook; second by Wallender. All voted aye. M/C. Wallender moved to approve the middle school handbook; second by Zingg. All voted aye. M/C. Zingg moved to approve the high school handbook; second by Raad. All voted aye. M/C.

Teacher Master Contract Ratification Request: DPI informed the district that the CLIMBS grant had been cancelled. The Finance Committee requested a meeting with the HEA to consider removing the extra two professional development days dedicated to BARR training from the master teaching agreement. The Hazen Education Association has approved the proposed revision to the teacher master agreement. The revision strikes out the first sentence under section 4.7, ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY. Eliminating this sentence would allow the district to remove the two BARR professional development days from our teachers' contracts. Wallender moved to approve the ratification request; second by Raad. All voted aye. M/C.

**Open Enrollment Applications:** These are new moves so the open enrollment deadline would be waived. Raad moved to approve the recommended open enrollment applications; second by Zingg. All voted aya. M/C.

**Preliminary Budget Approval:** Zingg moved to approve the preliminary budget as presented; second by Raad. All voted aye. M/C

**Tuition Agreement Request:** Zingg moved to deny the district paid tuition agreement; second by Raad. All voted aye. M/C. Wallender moved to approve the second tuition agreement for three kindergarten students. Raad second. All voted aye. M/C

**BARR Coordinator Teacher Contract Resignation:** Lisa Weisz has submitted her resignation of the BARR Coordinator due to the cancellation of the CLIMBS grant. Wallender moved to approve; second by Raad. All voted aye. M/C

Contract Revisions: Zingg moved to approve; second by Raad. All voted aye. M/C

**Private Preschool Request:** Jessica Zuroff is requesting to use an elementary classroom for a private preschool on Monday and Wednesday afternoons with a \$35 a month fee for renting the classroom. Raad moved to approve the presented lease agreement; second by Wallender. All voted aye. M/C.

**Administrative Reports:** 

The Principals, Superintendent, and AD presented their reports.

The next Regular School Board Meeting will be held on September 8, 2025, at 5:30 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

School Board President

**Business Manager** 

Date approved