

Hazen Public School
Regular Board Meeting
March 10, 2025
HS Room 102

Present at the meeting were board members Jen Wallender, Laura Zingg, Marti Raad, Steph Huber, Brian Nolan. Also present were Supt. Ken Miller, Bus. Mgr. Billie Jo Peterson, Principal Jacob Kraft, Principal Trevor Sinclair. AD/Dean of Students Bret Johnsrud was absent. Guests present were Dan Arens, Shanda Leintz, and Lee Scheid.

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

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

Mr. Miller asked the board to add item "ff" under 9d to review a student file to new business. Zingg moved to approve, second by Raad. All voted aye. M/C

Financial Reports: a.) February Financial Statement; b.) Bills; February Bills totaling \$ 191,357.72. Wallender moved to approve financial reports a – b as presented, second by Huber. All voted aye. M/C.

Committee Reports: Personnel and Finance committee met to review the 6-8 grade principal resumes and to also set a date and time to conduct the interviews.

New Business:

Superintendent Evaluation: President Nolan presented the results of Supt. Miller's spring evaluation to the board. Huber moved to approve; second by Raad. All voted aye. M/C

Recognize Hazen Education Association as the Teacher Negotiating Unit: The Hazen Education Association has submitted their petition that their unit represents at least 51% of the teachers in the district. Raad moved to approve the petition *"The School Board has investigated the petition filed by the Hazen Education Association requesting that the association be recognized as the representative organization for the negotiating unit and has determined that the Education Association does represent a majority of the teachers within that unit. The Board recognizes the Hazen Education Association as the representative organization for a minimum of one year beginning July 1, 2024."*; second by Wallender. All voted aye. M/C

Open Enrollment Requests: The board has received and reviewed three applications from the Center/Stanton school district. Zingg moved to approve; second by Huber. All voted aye. M/C

Teacher Contract Approval: Supt. Miller presented the board with Jesse McCann's resume. He has been selected for the High School social studies teacher. Mr. Duttenhefer has decided to move to the middle school to teach social studies. Wallender moved to approve; second Zingg. All voted aye. M/C

NDDOT Request: The North Dakota Department of Transportation needs formal approval from the school board to remove and relocate the fence currently north of the property line separating the Highway 200 ditch and school district property. The removal of the fence would be for only the portion of property purchased by the DOT. Wallender made the motion *"I move that the Hazen Public School District acknowledge that the fence located on school property needs to be relocated one (1) foot outside the right of way as part of the NDDOT Pedestrian Crossing Project. The School District approves the contractor's access to school property to complete the relocation. This work will be conducted at no cost to the School District."*; second by Huber. All voted aye. M/C

Executive Session to discuss Negotiations Strategy – Legal Authority: NDCC 44-04-19.1(9): Supt. Miller asked for motion to move into an executive session at 6:30pm

- aa. Strategies and Goals
- bb. Review Ground Rules
- cc. Review Teacher Negotiated Agreement
- dd. Review the District's Financial Situation
- ee. Discuss Initial First Offer
- ff. Reviewing of a student file

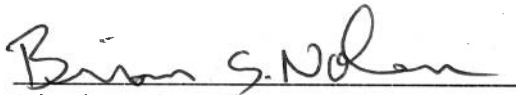
Executive session concluded at 8:35pm. Huber made the motion to enter back into regular session; second by Raad.

Administrative Reports:

Principal Kraft, Principal Sinclair, and Superintendent Miller presented their reports.

The next Regular School Board Meeting will be held on April 14, 2025, at 5:30 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.



School Board President



Business Manager

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Date approved