

Heron Lake Okabena School District #330
Regular Board Meeting
February 20, 2024

The Board of Education of Independent School District #330 held its Regular Board meeting on Tuesday, February 20, 2024. Volk called the meeting to order. In attendance were John Volk, Annie Rasche, Bob Egge, Mark Fest, Katie Janssen, Travis Hendel and ex officio Paul Bang. Business Manager Tracy Freking and Activities Director Jason Fisher were also in attendance. A quorum was declared with all members present.

Egge moved, seconded by Fest to approve the meeting agenda. The motion carried. Fest moved, seconded by Egge, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion carried. Egge moved, seconded by Hendel, to approve the Organizational meeting minutes. The motion carried. Egge moved, seconded by Fest to approve the claims and vendor payments. The motion carried.

Egge gave the Treasurer's Report. Total expenditures were \$522,837.01; total wires were \$127,867.14; net payroll was \$138,087.61. Rasche moved, seconded by Hendel, to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion carried.

Fisher gave the Activities Director Report. Season updated for GBB, BBB, G Hockey and JH GBB/BBB. Spring sports participation numbers given. Possibility of swim team with 4H. Invite sent to students from Immanuel to visit school.

Bang gave the Principal Report. Read Act and calendar for next year. Access testing has begun. SWWC Coop contract.

Bang gave the Superintendent Report. Enrollment is 276. Issuance of bond policy update. Review of 24-25 calendar. MREA Director visit overview. Assistant MDE Commissioner visit. Review pre-sale report for School Building Bonds. Tax abatement request.

Board Member Reports: NCIC – A/I revenue review. Facilities –none. HLOCF – Auction/grant award ceremony is March 16. Negotiations – agreement reached 2/12/24.

Egge moved, seconded by Fest to adopt the resolution approving Post-Issuance Compliance Procedure and Policy for Tax-exempt governmental bonds. Voting in favor: Janssen, Egge, Fest, Hendel, Rasche, Volk. Voting against: none. The motion carried.

Egge moved, seconded by Janssen to adopt the resolution stating the intention of the school board to issue general obligation school building bonds, Series 2024A. Voting in favor: Janssen, Egge, Fest, Hendel, Rasche and Volk. Against: none. The motion carried.

Fest moved, seconded by Janssen to approve the calendar for 2024-2025 school year. The motion carried.

Egge moved, seconded by Fest to approve the contract with SWWC service Coop. The motion carried.

Janssen moved, seconded by Egge to approve NCIC FY25 revenue. The motion carried.

Janssen moved, seconded by Egge to approve the 2023-2025 contract with HLO Education MN teachers. The motion carried.

Volk moved, seconded by Fest to approve FCCLA popcorn fundraiser. The motion carried.

Egge moved, seconded by Volk to approve the retirement of English Teacher, Doyle Zellar. The motion carried. Thank you for your 23 years with HLO,

Janssen moved, seconded by Egge to approve the retirement of Carla Olsem, elementary secretary. The motion carried. Thank you for your 27 years at HLO.

Board gave support of Swim Team partnership with 4H.

Bang read the inductees for MHS for this year. Congrats to the students being inducted.

Fest moved, seconded by Egge to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Annie Rasche, Clerk