

Heron Lake Okabena School District #330
Regular Board Meeting - December 19, 2023

The Board of Education of Independent School District #330 held its Regular Board meeting on Tuesday, December 19, 2023. 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. A quorum was declared with all members present.

Rasche moved, seconded by Hendel 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 Fest, to approve the claims and vendor payments. The motion carried.

Egge gave the Treasurer's Report. Total expenditures were \$284,585.20; total wires were \$133,982.12; net payroll was \$148,501.43. Hendel moved, seconded by Egge, to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion carried.

Dave Friedrichsen from Ehlers presented the Auditors Report. Egge moved, seconded by Fest to approve the Audit. The motion carried.

Bang gave the Activities Director Report. All basketball teams have had games. BBB hosted Candy Cane Classic last week. Girls Hockey is 3-8.

Bang gave the Principal Report. Band and choir concerts for elementary and high school were held in the last few weeks. Bang has been LTS at high school.

Bang gave the Superintendent Report. Enrollment is 276. MSBA is Jan. 11-12. Received thank you notes.

Board Member Reports: NCIC – scholarships available for students pursuing teaching careers. Facilities – none. HLOCF – Grant applications due Jan. 15 and Auction/grant award ceremony is March 16. Negotiations – multiple meetings have been held.

Hendel moved, seconded by Egge to approve 1 high school open enrollment from Worthington. The motion carried.

Janssen moved, seconded by Egge to approval the resolution certifying the levy at the maximum. Voting in favor: Egge, Fest, Hendel, Janssen, Rasche and Volk. Against: none. The motion carried.

Fest moved, seconded by Egge to approve the teacher seniority list. The motion carried.

Janssen moved, seconded by Hendel to approve a fundraiser for LaCrosse Loyal Workers 4H Feed on Jan. 16. The motion carried.

A discussion was had regarding tax abatement.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Annie Rasche, Clerk