

Special School Board Meeting  
December 17, 2025  
7:00 PM  
Al Feist Conference Room

President Dave Kraenzel called the meeting to order. All members were present with Jason Krizan by phone. There were twenty-three guests.

William McCone moved to approve the agenda. Holly Martinson seconded. MCU.

Athletic director Mr. Schaff stated the following: Due to not having a Girls Varsity Basketball program for two years and not having enough Boys for a Varsity team next year brings us to this current situation. He had visited with NDHSAA on options and rules regarding co-oping sports. The Class B system allows total student enrollment at 162. If Hebron and Glen Ullin would form a co-op with New Salem or Richardton-Taylor, this would put us in the next class which New Salem and Richardton-Taylor both said no to this option, which leaves Hebron and Glen Ullin to co-op with different schools. A co-op after three years can be dissolved by just one school in the co-op, and we have been in a co-op with Glen Ullin for 23 years. The school board decides on dissolving a co-op and joining a co-op. Extra-Curricular Committees from Richardton-Taylor met with Hebron on December 3, 2025, and Extra-Curricular Committees from Glen Ullin met with Hebron on December 4, 2025. Richardton-Taylor suggested co-oping all sports with Hebron. Glen Ullin Superintendent stated they did not know anything about this current situation and would like to do an assessment. Mr. Schaff stated Hebron has met with their staff and students in grades 7-12. Mr. Schaff asked the patrons to write down questions and place them in the box provided.

Board held a listening session with the patrons at the meeting. Some concerns were as follows: Time change, Richardton-Taylor sportsmanship, elementary games and practice in Taylor, GBB participation down due to Volleyball program ends one day and GBB starts next day and girls are burned out, how much family time will be taken if co-op with Richardton-Taylor, do we have to do all or none or just sports where needed and how long until we face this same situation. Pros were as follows: Richardton-Taylor starts with the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade having a club training team which helps the students excel in the sport, impressed with Richardton-Taylor's Elementary BB team, coaches and referees, felt the need to start with elementary on up to varsity when forming a new co-op, impressed with our current co-op with our FB program and coaches and Richardton-Taylor's ability to hire coaches.

Next Steps will be to gather the information and questions and send them out to the patrons and hold meetings again the beginning of January with patrons and with Richardton-Taylor and Glen Ullin.

No further business meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

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Dave Kraenzel, President

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Paulette Elder, Business Manager