

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**October 16, 2023**

**I. Call to Order**

The Regular Meeting of the Hale Area Schools Board of Education was called to order by Vice-President Spaw at 6:00 pm.

Present: Reilly, Shellenbarger, Spaw, & Lynch  
Absent-Members: 3 - Cryderman, Kimmerer, & Sheldon  
Guests in Attendance: 21

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

**III. Mission, Vision and Belief Statement**

**IV. Additions/deletions/corrections of agenda items:** Remove Item D.MiCIP Report, from Item VIII-Reports to the Board

**V. Student Recognition** Mr. Yorke read achievements noted by teachers while Mr. Bowman handed out the certificates of recognition.

**VI. Audit Report Presentation** Cindy Scott of Stephenson & Co. provided a detailed review of the 2023 audit

**VII. Guest Comments - Members of the public may address the board at this time** None

**VIII. Reports to the Board**

**A. Principal's Report** Mr. Bowman provided a recap of the fire department visit with the elementary students, lunch detention format, and an update on observations, which are scheduled & ongoing. He also stated that the NWEA scores/fall date has been shared.

**B. Business Manager's Report** Mr. Boensch provided budget information including changes in State Aid and special education funding, as well as a univent project update, including details of energy credits received from Consumers & DTE.

**C. Superintendent's Report** Mr. Yorke reviewed possible staffing adjustments, and shared that the fourth and fifth grade classrooms will be going to a self-contained format. He suggested a committee meeting with 3 Board members to discuss the MHSAA vote coming our way. Date to be set including our AD's. Yorke included details relating to a school resource officer, indicating that more will be covered in the 31aa discussion. Yorke also informed the Board that R.C. Henderick will be planning to attend our November 6th meeting to discuss our district's needs.

**IX. Action Items**

**A. Consent Agenda**

At the recommendation of Mr. Yorke, a motion was made by Reilly, supported by Lynch to accept the consent agenda dated October 16, 2023 as presented.

**Roll call:** 4 yes, 0 no, 3 absent; motion carried

**B. NEOLA Volume 38-1, Policy Update - First Reading**

At the recommendation of Mr. Yorke, a motion was made by Shellenbarger, supported by Lynch to consider as first reading the policy updates contained in Volume 38-1, including 1540, 2370.01, 7217, 7540.03, 8305, and 8531. Discussion occurred.

**Roll call:** 4 yes, 0 no, 3 absent; motion carried

**X. Discussion Items**

**A. 31aa Grant** Mr. Yorke shared some thoughts for possible utilization of these funds including a school resource officer, updates/renewals to camera system, lockout system (lights, sounds, window film, etc.. items that we don't currently have).

The audience was asked for their input and Jeannie Shear offered her thoughts, which were to prioritize order of implementation by those items that are determined to be the most positive and impactful for students, as identified through independent research.

**B. 2023 MASB Delegate Assembly** was reviewed; follow up information will be provided via email

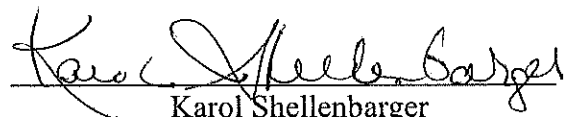
**XI. Board Comments:** Reilly and Spaw had no comment, Shellenbarger thanked Mr. Boensch for the awesome job he does. She also asked about the NHS ceremony, and confirmed the date as Thursday, November 9th. Lynch provided a recap of the recent fund raiser, as well as event & PTO participation. Mr. Yorke shared that with Veteran's Day falling on a Saturday this year, the Veteran's Day celebration will take place on the Thursday before.

**XII. Adjournment**

With no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Shellenbarger, supported by Reilly that the meeting be adjourned.

**Roll call:** 4 yes, 0 no, 3 absent; motion carried

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:42 pm**



Karol Shellenbarger

*Acting Secretary, in the absence of  
Valerie Cryderman*

**Hale Area Schools  
Consent Agenda  
October 16, 2023**

A. Approval of Minutes

- September 25, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes

B. Approval of Bills

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| • General Fund     | \$531,899.79 |
| • Food Service     | \$ 40,571.17 |
| • Athletics        | \$ 4,558.41  |
| • Student Activity | \$ 474.34    |