

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

November 18, 2024

I. Call to Order

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

Present: Cryderman, Reilly, Olmstead, Shellenbarger, Sheldon, and Spaw (6:10 pm.)

Absent-Members: 1 - Lynch

Guests in Attendance: 29

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Mission, Vision and Belief Statement

IV. Additions/deletions/corrections of agenda items: None

V. **Student Recognition:** Certificates of accomplishment were handed out by Mr. Bowman, while Mr. Yorke read teacher comments aloud.

VI. Guest Comments - Members of the public may address the board at this time:

VII. Reports to the Board

A. **Principal's Report** provided by Mr. Bowman included updates on observation status, a review of recent events including family night, parent teacher conferences / grandparents day, which was in coordination with the book fair, and NHS Ceremony; This year's Christmas concert is December 18 at 6pm.

B. **Business Manager's Report** reviewed by Mr Boensch included State Aid revenue review and breakdown of known line items; a budget amendment will be ready next month. An MDE Fiscal Monitoring review for the Consolidated Application took place last week; we had no findings.

C. **Superintendent's Report** detailed by Mr. Yorke included updates on the ICAN project, which is up and running with preschool; new staff are in place and parent/family meeting participation is increasing; athletics have transitioned from fall to winter; a recap of fall sports and upcoming events/practices was given. He thanked Mr. Boensch for his diligence in keeping us in program compliance, as well as Mrs. Scholtz for supporting those efforts in the business office; he thanked office staff and all involved for their efforts with recent events including the Veterans Day celebration. Mr. Yorke suggested getting a committee together for new principal selection. Mr. Spaw asked that thanks be relayed to Mrs. Look for coordination of the Veteran's Day Celebration; it was very nice.

D. **MiCIP Team Report** Mrs. Blomquist and Mrs. Nieman reviewed assessments and progress monitoring and stated that they are seeing large growth across the elementary; a review of Michelle Goaley's visit was also given; both Mrs. Nieman and Mrs. Blomquist are attending the MICIP conference this Thursday; they highlighted key session content.

VIII. Action Items

A. Consent Agenda

At the recommendation of Mr. Yorke, a motion was made by Shellenbarger, supported by Olmstead to approve the consent agenda dated November 18, 2024 as presented.

Roll call: 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent; motion carried

B. Summer Tax Resolution and Collection Authorization

At the recommendation of Mr. Yorke, a motion was made by Cryderman, supported by Reilly to approve resolution #24-5, approving summer tax collections from Grant, Plainfield, Reno, Hill, and Logan townships for the 2025 tax season as well as authorizing the summer tax agreements with each township.

Roll call: 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent; motion carried

C. NEOLA Vol. 39, No.1 - First Reading

At the recommendation of Mr. Yorke; a motion was made by Sheldon, supported by Shellenbarger to review and consider as first reading the policy updates contained in Volume 39-1, including: 3120.08, 5330.02, 5340, 5500, 7540.09, 8321, and the EDGAR UGG Update of 1130, 3110, 4110, 6110, 6111, 6112, 6114, 6325 6550, 7310, & 7450. Discussion Occurred. **Roll call:** 4 yes, 2 no (Reilly & Spaw), 1 absent; motion carried

D. Hire Secondary Social Studies Teacher

At the recommendation of Mr. Yorke, a motion was made by Cryderman, supported by Shellenbarger to approve the hire of Joel Bovee for Secondary Social Studies at BA, Step-1, according to the Master Schedule. Discussion occurred.

Roll call: 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent; motion carried

E. Hire Parapro - Taylor Marine

At the recommendation of Mr. Yorke, a motion was made by Shellenbarger, supported by Sheldon to approve the hire of Taylor Marine as a Parapro at the established 2024-25 probationary rate. Discussion Occurred. **Roll call:** 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent; motion carried

F. Approve New Contract for Math Intervention Teacher

At the recommendation of Mr. Yorke, a motion was made by Reilly, supported by Olmstead to approve the contract for the Math Intervention Specialist covering the months of January through June, in the amount of \$52,022.

Roll call: 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent; motion carried

IX. Discussion

A. Election Results

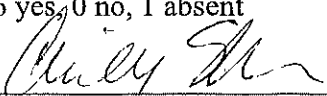
- i. **Board of Education** - Lynch, Reilly, & Olmstead all elected to 6 year terms.
- ii. **Sinking Fund** - did not pass; other options for generating revenue were discussed

X. Board Comments Cryderman, Shellenbarger, Sheldon, Reilly, & Olmstead had no comments; Spaw commented on special education and curriculum.

XI. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Reilly, supported by Sheldon that the meeting be adjourned. **Roll call:** 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Meeting Adjourned at



Cindy Sheldon, Secretary

**Hale Area Schools
Consent Agenda
November 18, 2024**

A. Approval of Minutes

- October 21, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

B. Approval of Bills

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| • General Fund | \$351,965.01 |
| • Food Service | \$ 38,632.59 |
| • Athletics | \$ 6,697.84 |
| • Student Activity | \$ 1,683.44 |