

Record of Proceedings

Minutes of the February 21, 2023 Regular Meeting HURON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Meeting Number 2023-4

Call to Order

Mr. John Jones, Board President, called to order the Regular Meeting of the Huron City School District on February 21, 2023, at 6:00 pm in the Board Conference Center of the Huron City School District Board of Education Office. Also present: Dr. James Tatman, Superintendent; Paul DeMarco, Treasurer; Dr. Julie Lenner-McDonald, Assistant Superintendent; Mr. Chat Carter, Principal of McCormick Middle School, and members of the community, students of HHS, and representatives from the media.

Roll Call

Mrs. Stacey Hartley	Present
Mrs. Stacy Hanners	Present
Mr. John Jones	Present
Dr. Elizabeth Laffay	Present
Mrs. Jody Mast	Present

Approval of Agenda:

Recommend approval of the agenda for the February 21, 2023 Regular Board Meeting

It was moved by Mrs. Mast and seconded by Mrs. Hanners to accept the agenda for the February 21, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

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Approval of
Agenda

Roll Call:

Mrs. Hanners	Yes
Dr. Laffay	Yes
Mrs. Hartley	Yes
Mr. Jones	Yes
Mrs. Mast	Yes

Motion passed.

Audience/Community Participation:

Each person addressing the Board will submit their name, address and topic of discussion. If several people wish to speak, each person will be allotted five minutes until the total time of 30 minutes is used. During that period, no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so. Persons desiring more time should follow the procedure of the Board to be placed on the regular agenda. The period of public participation may be extended by a vote of the majority of the Board, present and voting.

- Mr. Terry Graham addressed the Board as the new Chief of Police for the City of Huron.

- Mrs. Jennifer Lenczyk addressed the Board on the Board's "Zero Tolerance Policy."
- Mr. Jim Murray discussed the sale of Shawnee School and the interest of Firelands Montessori Academy.

Administrative Reports:

A. Huron PTO Updates:

Members of the Huron PTO discussed the various fundraisers they have done this year and their current ongoing projects.

B. Assistant Superintendent of Academic Affairs Report: Dr. Julie McDonald

Dr. McDonald updated the Board on the status of the track project.

C. Treasurer's Report: Mr. Paul DeMarco

Earlier this month I sent the Board a summary of various financial topics the District is facing. There was some very positive financial information and also some areas of concern. I will save the financial matters related to ongoing and future facility projects out of this report so they can be discussed in their respective sections on the agenda.

Some good news:

- Identification for Free/Reduced Lunch is up to 27% from 19% at the start of the school year.
- Open enrollment net is +50 students so far this year.
- Tax advance #1 in the books with #2 landing this week. Richard Jeffery does an excellent job in getting tax settlements out to school districts in Erie County.
- We made it through the low point of our cash cycle without having to cash in any securities.
- An enhanced version of BoardDocs will allow for real time recording of votes/minutes and allow for a delay of live stream and editing of the recording (if we want).

Some not great news:

- With the most recent increase in property values, the district is now at the 20 mil floor for Class I property. In short, this means future inflationary increases in property tax values will only result in a minimal increase in revenue.
- I am hoping to have my May 5-Year forecast done early so the district can plan for short term operating needs. We will need to put an operating levy on the ballot in the next 12-18 months.

D. Superintendent's Report: Dr. James Tatman

Dr. Tatman presented the 2024-2025 school year calendar to the Board. He walked the Board through the resolution to close Shawnee Elementary School, the OHSAA resolution, and gave a facilities update.

Approval of Minutes: (Consent)

Recommend approval of the Jan 9th Tax Budget Hearing, Regular Meeting, and Organizational Meeting, and the January 31st Special Meeting.

Treasurer Recommendations (Consent):

A. Monthly Financial Statements:

Approve treasurer's reports for January 2023 as presented:

- FY23 January General Fund Report
- Cash Reconciliation
- Cash Summary - All Funds
- Disbursement Summary (All Transactions)
- Investment Portfolio Report

B. January 2023 Donations:

Mr. DeMarco recommends the approval of the following January donations:

From	Benefactor	AMOUNT
Walmart	Vocal Music Program	\$1,000.00
Huron Firefighters	Special Needs Classroom	\$500.00
Anonymous	High School to replace entrance sign	\$35,330.00
American Legion	Huron Memorial Scholarship Fund	\$2,000.00
Daniel Marshall	Sandi Lunch Fund	\$100.00

\$38,930.00

FYTD Donations:: \$98,045

C. Contracts:

- Agreement between the District and LCCC for CCP options if needed.

D. Transfers, Advances and Appropriation Modifications:

Then and Now Approval requested for Emergency Repairs at Woodlands over Christmas Break..

E. Public Records Committee:

Establish the School District Records Commission composed of the Board of Education President, The Treasurer of the Board of Education, and the Superintendent of Schools for the calendar year 2023, pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code. The Records Commission shall meet at least once every twelve months and establish rules for retention and disposal of records and review same.

F. Payment in Lieu of Transportation of a Huron Resident to a Non-public:

Board Approval is needed for a payment in lieu contract between the parents of a Huron student and the Board. The parents will be reimbursed a pro-rated \$175 for the remainder of this school year.

The district is required to provide transportation to any Huron resident (student) to a non-public within a 30-minute drive.

G. Budget and Purpose Statement:

Recommend the acceptance of the FY23 Budget and Purpose Statement for Girls' Softball

Superintendent Recommendations (Consent):**A. OHSAA Board of Education/Governing Board Resolution 2023-2024**

Recommend to approve continuation of participation in the OHSAA for the 2023-2024 school year.

B. Resolution to Reject All Bids for the HHS Bathroom Renovation.:

Approve resolution to reject all bids for the HHS bathroom renovation.

C. 2024-2025 School Calendar

Recommendation to approve the 2024-2025 school calendar as attached.

D. HCEA MOU for Displaced Workers:

Approve the memorandum of understanding with HCEA regarding displaced workers due to building closure.

E. HHS Program of Study:

Approve the 2023-2024 program of study for Huron High School, as attached.

F. Huron High School Track Renovation

Recommend to approve the Huron City Schools Track Renovation Project Resolution Approving Contract Agreement.

G. Resolution to Close Shawnee School:

Approve resolution to close Shawnee elementary School as attached.

H. Personnel: Certified

Ramey, Tabetha - Change in Placement on Salary Scale (BA to BA+30), effective January 1,2023.

I. Personnel: Classified

Employment of the following staff, contingent upon a satisfactory criminal records check as required by law, possession of necessary State licensure, and past employment verification:

Approve the following staff for employment as a classified substitute, areas of assignment determined by the administration:

- Studer, Cynthia
- Woods, Jodi

Approve the following staff for 30 hours paid at their current hourly rate for work to consolidate the media centers at Woodlands and Shawnee for 2022-2023.

- Charla Johnson
- Rachel Smith

J. Supplemental

Employment of the following staff, contingent upon a satisfactory criminal records check as required by law, possession of necessary State licensure, and past employment verification:

Last Name	First Name	Sport/Activity	Position	Building	FTE	Rate
Cox	Joseph	Wrestling	Biddy Wrestling	Any	1.00	\$1,152.97
Minshall	William	Track	Boys & Girls Track Volunteer	High School	Volunteer	\$0.00
Wiseman	William	Track	Boys & Girls Track Volunteer	High School	Volunteer	\$0.00
Taraschke	Kristi	Track	Boys & Girls Track Volunteer	High School	Volunteer	\$0.00
Roth	Timothy	Baseball	Boys Baseball Volunteer	High School	Volunteer	\$0.00
Barrett	Gary	Baseball	Boys Baseball Volunteer	High School	Volunteer	\$0.00
Scott	William	Track	Boys & Girls Track Volunteer	High School	Volunteer	\$0.00
McVeigh	Scott	Basketball	Boys Basketball Volunteer	High School	Volunteer	\$0.00
Scherley	Christina	Resident Educator Mentor	Resident Educator Mentor	High School	1.00	\$2,305.93
LaCrosse	Leah	Resident Educator Mentor	Resident Educator Mentor	McCormick	1.00	\$2,305.93
Lenczyk	John (Jack)	Swimming	Swim Coach volunteer	Hight School	Volunteer	\$0.00

Motion for Approval:

Mrs. Hartley made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Mrs. Mast seconded the recommendation.

Roll Call:

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| Mr. Jones | Yes |
| Mrs. Hanners | Yes |
| Mrs. Hartley | Yes |
| Dr. Laffay | Yes |
| Mrs. Mast | Yes |

Motion Passed.



Board Discussion/Action:**A. First Reading of HCS Policies (new, revision, and revocation)**

First Reading of new HCS policies.

- ABC - Student Involvement with Board
- FF - Naming Facilities

First reading of revisions of HCS policies.

- CC - Administrative Organizational Plan

First reading of revocation of HCS policies.

- CCA - Organizational Chart
- JEBA - Early Entrance to Kindergarten

B. Tax Incentive Board Appointee:

Mr. DeMarco was appointed by Mr. Jones to represent the district when applicable on Tax Incentive hearings.

C. High School Musical Board Sponsorship: Seussical

The Board agreed to each pay \$20 for a sponsorship for this year's school play.

D. Sale (Disposition) of Shawnee Elementary:

The Board discussed options for the sale of the Shawnee Elementary property. An appraisal is being done and should be in by the end of the month.

E. Huron Joint Recreation District

The Board rejected the HJRD Agreement for CY2023 as presented. Alternative agreements will be discussed.

F. Committee Structure:

2022 board appointed liaisons:

Board Committee:

Policy – Stacy Hinners

Facilities – Stacy Hinners, Stacey Hartley

Superintendent Committees:

Teaching & Learning – Jody Mast

Finance & Audit – Stacey Hartley

Operations – John Jones

Safety & Security – John Jones

Hall of Fame – Elizabeth Laffay (move to Community Rep)

Athletics/Boosters – Jody Mast (move to Community Rep)

Community Representatives:

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Joint Recreation District – Elizabeth Laffay
 EHOVE Career Center Board Member – John Jones
 OSBA Legislative and Student Liaison – John Jones

Executive Session:

Mrs. Mast made the decision to move into executive session for reason #1 of the Huron Board Policy. Mrs. Hartley seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Mr. Jones	No
Mrs. Hinners	Yes
Mrs. Hartley	Yes
Dr. Laffay	Yes
Mrs. Mast	Yes

23-0015 –
 Executive
 Session

Motion Passed. 4-1

Educational matters should be discussed and decisions made at public meetings of the Board. Some matters are more properly discussed by the Board in executive session. As permitted by law, the Board may enter into executive session for consideration of the following matters:

1. **the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of an employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against an employee, official or student, unless such individual requests a public hearing (the Board will not hold an executive session for the discipline of one of its members for conduct related to the performance of his/her official duties or for his/her removal from office);**
2. the purchase of property for public purposes or for the sale of property at competitive bidding, if premature disclosure of information would give an unfair advantage to a person whose personal, private interest is adverse to the general public interest;
3. specialized details of security arrangements where disclosure of the matters discussed might reveal information that could be used for the purpose of committing, or avoiding prosecution for, a violation of the law;
4. matters required to be kept confidential by Federal law or State statutes;
5. preparing for, conducting or reviewing negotiations with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment;
6. in-person conferences with an attorney for the Board concerning disputes involving the Board that are the subject of pending or imminent court action or
7. consideration of confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance, or negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance provided that:
 - A. the information is directly related to a request for economic development assistance that is to be provided or administered under provisions of State law authorized in Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(8)(1), or involves public infrastructure improvements or the extension of utility services that are directly related to an economic development project and
 - B. a unanimous quorum of the Board has determined by a roll-call vote the executive session is necessary to protect the interests of the applicant or possible investment or expenditure of public funds to be made in connection with the economic development project.

Conferences with a member of the Auditor of State's Office or an appointed certified public accountant for the purpose of an audit are not considered meetings subject to the Open Meetings Act (Sunshine Law).

The Board meets in executive session only to discuss legally authorized matters. Executive sessions are held only as part of a regular or special meeting and only after a majority of the quorum determines, by a roll-call vote, to hold such a session.

When the Board holds an executive session for any of the reasons stated above, the motion and vote to hold the executive session shall state one or more of the purposes listed under such paragraph for which the executive session is to be held, but need not include the name of any person to be considered in the executive session. The minutes shall reflect the information described above.

In compliance with law, no official action may be taken in executive session. To take final action on any matter discussed, the Board reconvenes into public session.

The Board may invite staff members or others to attend executive sessions at its discretion.

No present or former Board members or employees shall disclose or use, without appropriate authorization, any information acquired in the course of official duties (which is confidential because of statutory provisions) or which has been clearly designated as confidential because of the status of proceedings or the circumstances under which the information was received.

Time In: 8:49

Time Out: 9:35

Next Meeting:

The Board will meet at 6:00 pm on March 20, 2023 in the Huron City Schools Board of Education Conference Room.

Adjournment

The Board agreed to adjourn by consent.

Roll Call:

Mr. Jones	Yes
Mrs. Hinners	Yes
Mrs. Hartley	Yes
Dr. Laffay	Yes
Mrs. Mast	Yes

Motion Passed.

Mr. Jones declared the meeting closed at 9:40 pm.

President *John P. Jones*

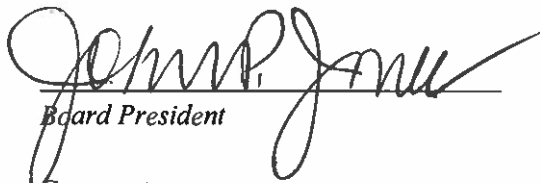
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Adjournment

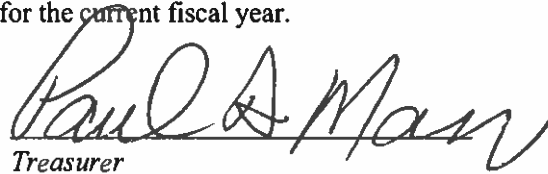
Certificate of Available Resources

Certificate
Section ORC §5705.412

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED the Huron City School District Board of Education, Erie County, Ohio has sufficient funds to meet the contract agreement, obligation, payment or expenditure for the above, and has in effect for the remainder of the fiscal year and the succeeding fiscal year the authorization to levy taxes which, when combined with the estimated revenue from all other sources available to the district at the time of certification, are sufficient to provide operating revenues necessary to enable the district to operate an adequate educational program on all the days set forth in its adopted school calendar for the current fiscal year equal to the number of days instruction was held or is scheduled for the current fiscal year.



Board President



Treasurer

Comments:

See ORC §5705.412

This certificate must be attached to any contract or order involving the expenditure of money with certain statutory exceptions.