

Hillsboro Community Unit School District #3 Board of Education

Regular Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2025

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- 1) A regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Matt Lentz, at the Hillsboro Unit Office at 7:00 p.m. The following board members were present: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, John Lentz, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti, and Nathan Kirby.

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by John Lentz to add Agenda Item 5.1 Possible Real Estate. Voice vote. Motion carried.

- 2) Agenda Item 2.0. Good News Reports

Beckemeyer Principal Frailey reported the attendance incentives continue to work. Students have used 507 fewer absent days when compared to last year.

Junior High Counselor Jen Anderson introduced student council members Layla Spinner, Brielle Harbert and Adaley Wessel. The council members presented the school board members with a gift in honor of January being School Board Member Appreciation Month.

- 3) Agenda Item 3.0 Consent Agenda

- 3.1 Approval of Regular Session Minutes from December 10, 2024

President Lentz asked for additions or corrections to the December 10, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes. There were none.

- 3.2 Approval of Executive Session Minutes from December 10, 2024

President Lentz asked for additions or corrections to the December 10, 2024 Executive Session Meeting Minutes. There were none.

- 3.3 Approval of Building and Grounds Committee Meeting Minutes from December 10, 2024

President Lentz asked for additions or corrections to the December 10, 2024 Building and Ground Committee Meeting Minutes. There were none.

- 3.4 Review and Approval of Payables

President Lentz asked for questions or comments. Superintendent Powell asked for approval on pay request #14 to O'Shea Builders in the amount of \$1,291,638.19.

- 3.5 Financial Report

President Lentz asked for questions or comments. There were none.

Consent Agenda Vote.

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by John Lentz to approve consent agenda items as presented. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton,

John Lentz, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti, and Nathan Kirby. Motion carried 7-0.

4) Agenda Item 4.0 Old Business

4.1 Approval of FY24 Audit Report

Superintendent Powell stated there have been no questions and is recommending approval.

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by John Lentz to approve the FY24 Audit Report. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, John Lentz, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti, and Nathan Kirby. Motion carried 7-0.

5) Agenda Item 5.0 Old Business

5.1 Possible Real Estate

Superintendent Powell reported that currently HCCDC is located in the basement of the Douglas Telfer Building owned by Hillsboro Health. While the space has been great for the district there is not much room for expansion. A potential property, the Hillsboro bowling alley has recently been listed for sale. Mr. Powell questioned if the board would be interested in taking a closer look at the property as a possible daycare site. The board discussed possibly relocating the daycare to Coffeen Early Childhood Center. Doing so would increase operating expenses and it has been a self-sustaining business. The board is open to getting estimates on what the project would cost to get up to code.

6) Agenda Item 6.0 Communication. There was none.

7) Agenda Item 7.0 Recognition of Audience No cards submitted.

8) Agenda Item 8.0 Executive Session

Motion made by Nathan Kirby and seconded by John Lentz to move into Executive Session at 7:23 p.m. for the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees. Voice vote. Motion carried.

Motion made by Nathan Kirby and seconded by John Lentz to move out of Executive session at 9:29 p.m. Voice Vote. Motion carried.

9) Agenda Item 9.0 Action Items Resulting from Executive Session

9.1 Resignation of Teaching Assistant

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by John Lentz to approve the resignation of Teaching Assistant Kyra Halleman. Voice vote. Motion carried.

9.2 Retirement of Teaching Assistant

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by John Lentz to approve the retirement of Teaching Assistant Terri Jachino at the conclusion of the school year. Voice vote. Motion carried.

9.3 Resignation of Jr. High Softball Coach

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by John Lentz to approve the resignation of Junior High Softball Coach Heather Lessman. Voice vote. Motion carried.

9.4 Employment of CNA Instructor

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by John Lentz to employ Heather Spangler as CNA Instructor pending successful completion of all state and local requirements. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, John Lentz, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti, and Nathan Kirby. Motion carried 7-0.

9.5 Employment of Principal(s)

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by John Lentz to employ Blake Lipe as Hillsboro High School Principal. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, John Lentz, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti, and Nathan Kirby. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by John Lentz to employ Adam Haston as Hillsboro Junior High School Principal. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, John Lentz, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti, and Nathan Kirby. Motion carried 7-0.

9.6 Employment of Assistant Principal


Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by John Lentz to employ Donald VanGiesen as Hillsboro High School Assistant Principal. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, John Lentz, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti, and Nathan Kirby. Motion carried 7-0.

9.7 Approval of Volunteer Assistant Baseball Coach

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by John Lentz to approve Ty Goad as a Volunteer Baseball Assistant Coach at HHS. Voice vote. Motion carried.

10) Agenda Item 10.0 Adjournment.

Motion by Nathan Kirby, seconded by John Lentz to adjourn the meeting at 9:31 p.m. Voice vote. Motion carried.



Matt Lentz, President
Board of Education



John Lentz, Secretary

February 11, 2025

Date