

**Proceedings of the  
Bridgeport Public Schools  
Morrill County School District #63  
Board of Education  
Monday, March 13, 2023 – 7:00 PM  
Jr./Sr. High School Media Center**

President Justin Corman called the school board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

President Justin Corman informed the public of the Open Meetings Act posted by the Library door.

The public was informed of this meeting by public posting at United States Post Office, Sonny's Super Foods, and Prairie Winds Community Center on Friday, March 10, 2023.

The Board meeting was also live streamed on STRIV, so remote users were able to access the live meeting.

Roll call was taken. Members present: Justin Corman, Kay Anderson, Jeff Pohl, Ryan Amateis, and Jim Lapaseotes. Absent: Linda Norman. Also present were High School Principal George Schlothauer, Elementary Principal James Simmons, Superintendent Chuck Lambert, and Recording Secretary Vonnie Brown.

It was moved by Pohl and seconded by Amateis to excuse Linda Norman's absence. Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Lapaseotes, and Amateis. No: None.

It was moved by Amateis and seconded by Pohl to approve the Agenda as presented for the Regular Meeting. Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Lapaseotes, and Amateis. No: None.

There were no communications.

Visitors were recognized.

***Business Meeting:***

It was moved by Anderson and seconded by Lapaseotes to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The Consent Agenda includes the minutes of the February 13 2023, Regular Board Meeting, financial reports and payables ending February 28, 2023, March Expenditures, and March General Fund payroll and withholding of \$544,756.06 and Lunch Fund payroll and withholding of \$13,884.03. Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Lapaseotes, and Amateis. No: None.

Bills were paid as follows:

<u>Paid To</u> <u>General Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Morrill County Community Hospi	840.00
Nebraska Bank	250.00
Bridgeport News Blade	241.66

Panhandle Coop System	10,747.98
Pepsi Cola Bottling Co. of All	2,667.49
Plummer Insurance Inc.	100.00
Prestige Group Inc	3,500.00
Purchase Power	187.61
Quill	857.01
Rack Performance Inc dba RackC	900.00
School Health Corporation	108.91
School Nurse Supply	993.30
Simmons Olsen Law Firm	421.00
Soar Pediatric Therapy	3,474.30
Sonny's Super Foods	195.04
Stadium Sports	75.60
Sean Sterkel	918.93
Trading Post	66.96
Underground Printing	2,346.07
Wells Fargo Card Services	11,003.36
Allo Communications	433.86
Amazon Capital Services	2,367.06
Benzel Pest Control	330.00
Black Hills Energy	5,379.25
Blue Cross and Blue Shield of	5,030.99
Bomgaars	305.89
Carolina Biological Supply Com	207.00
Charter Communications	239.96
City of Bridgeport	11,682.06
Crescent Electric Supply Compa	182.90

CSC Conferencing	623.60
Christy Schuler	41.84
Chadron State College	420.00
Culligan of Scottsbluff	301.53
Cycletherapy Counseling Servic	7,800.00
DAS State Acctg-Central Financ	238.13
Dennis Supply Co	6.31
EMC Insurance Companies	50,578.27
ESU #13	15,881.83
Filsinger Excavating Compnay I	840.00
Floyd's Truck Center	11,827.34
Josie Freiburger	840.03
Victor Gutierrez	448.00
Hampton Inn	784.00
Hampton Inn/Kearney	1,605.50
Hill Music Co.	127.50
HomeTown Leasing	6,435.17
Ideal Laundry and Cleaners Inc	2,036.57
Inland Truck Parts Co.	211.57
Jackson's Garage LLC	2,555.26
JP Boiler Service LLC	3,758.00
Naomi Loomis	448.02
Mid-American Research Chemical	937.29
Matheson-Linweld	619.26
Mechanical Sales Parts	4,523.50
Mike's	41.87
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### Lunch Fund

Cash-Wa Distributing	13,027.66
Clean Tech Supplies	344.99
Hiland Dairy	2,631.54
Simply Clean	336.46
Sonny's Super Foods	3,032.89
Wells Fargo Card Services	3,570.45
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### ***Unfinished Business***

None.

### ***New Business***

It was moved by Lapaseotes and seconded by Anderson to approve a Secondary Principal contract for Jason Blanco for the 2023-2024 school year. Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Lapaseotes, and Amateis. No: None.

It was moved by Pohl and seconded by Amateis to approve the calendar for the 2023-2024 school year. Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Lapaseotes, and Amateis. No: None.

### ***Reports and Discussion***

Mr. Simmons reported on Kindergarten Registration in March and a new Kindergarten Camp offered in the summer, as well as Summer School during the summer for elementary students. He also discussed the upcoming Character Counts Assembly, Inservice Day on March 30, and House Meetings, and a Pep Rally for testing.

Mr. Schlothauer reported that Wrestling had six state qualifiers – Harrison Barnette, Zach Jeffords, Chase McGrath, Peyton Abbott, Kyra Robbins, and Hayden Marks. Girl's Basketball were WTC Champions, SPVA Champions, District Champions, and finished the season in third place in the state. Boy's Basketball placed third at WTC and were District Runner-Up. Speech team was champion at District and the following students qualified for state competition: Cassandra Hopwood, Hanna Berry, Drew Leisy, Logan Bartling, Tegan Rice, Jordan Wagner, Claire Linders, Katie Eckhardt, Kendal Deaver, Emilie Miller, Eden Strawn, & Madison Ribble. County Government Day was held on March 7 at the Morrill County Courthouse and was fun and educational. High School Show Choir received Gold and JH Sho Choir received Silver at Alliance competition. JH Boy's Basketball finished the regular season undefeated, won Bayard Tournament, and placed in the BMS tournament. The cheerleaders attended State Cheer on February 18. Prom will be March 18. Spring Sports are beginning, and Testing starts April 4.

Mr. Lambert reported that Bridgeport is hosting D-5 Boy's District Golf on May 15, a K-12 assembly on March 27, Donkey Basketball on April 24, and Chad Cargill for ACT Prep on March 15 with ten other schools attending. He also reported on the status of snow days, graduation to be held May 13, Missoula Children's Theater the week of April

10 (performing Aladdin), and Academic Banquet on May 8, before the school board meeting. He also discussed research that has been completed regarding opening a pre-school at the school in the fall. It would be for 4 year-olds only. One endorsed teacher and one paraprofessional would be needed. There would be two sessions-AM and PM-Monday-Thursday. Fees would be on a sliding scale, and the goal would be 30 students for the first year. It would start a week after public school begins.

There were no Board of Education reports.

It was moved by Amateis and seconded by Pohl to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 PM.  
Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Wickard, and Amateis. No: None.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Vonnie Brown  
Recording Secretary

Approved by:

Chuck Lambert, Superintendent