

**Proceedings of the
Bridgeport Public Schools
Morrill County School District #63
Board of Education
Monday, September 11, 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, September 8, 2023.

The Board meeting was also live streamed on HUDL, 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. Also present were Elementary Principal James Simmons, Secondary Principal Jason Blanco, Principal of Instruction Erin Reynolds, Superintendent George Schlothauer, and Recording Secretary Vonnie Brown.

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

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

There was a thank you note from FFA for the use of the Auditorium and Elementary Commons for their Labor Auction, and for the board's support of the FFA program. There was also a thank you note from Dana Morgan for the popcorn bucket, calendar, and "SKODAWGS" presented as Return to School gifts for staff, as well as the meals that were provided during Pre-Service week.

Visitors were recognized.

Business Meeting:

It was moved by Pohl and seconded by Amateis to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The Consent Agenda includes the minutes of the August 14, 2023, Regular Board Meeting, financial reports and payables ending August 31, 2023, September Expenditures, and September General Fund payroll and withholding of \$573,670.61 and Lunch Fund payroll and withholding of \$13,274.31. Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Lapaseotes, and Amateis. No: None.

Bills were paid as follows:

<u>Paid To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<u>General Fund</u>	

385 Meat Market LLC	119.80
Allo Communications	404.02
Amazon Capital Services	10,294.18
Jill Bartling	136.12
Black Hills Energy	315.13
Blue Cross and Blue Shield of	2,397.25
Bluffs Facility Solutions	2,556.39
Scottsbluff Country Club	1,376.65
Bluum of Texas	7,158.75
Bomgaars	57.94
Carolina Biological Supply Com	42.00
CDW Government	100.30
City of Bridgeport	12,848.10
Colorado/West Equipment Inc.	424.42
Culligan of Scottsbluff	251.00
DAS State Acctg-Central Financ	505.76
District 12 Ag Teachers	200.00
Joey Dohse	80.00
ESU #10	5,250.00
ESU #13	4,271.27
ESU Coordinating Council	1,000.00
Flinn Scientific Inc.	2,630.45
Floyd's Truck Center	5,321.58
Josie Freiburger	504.02
Victor Gutierrez	302.41
Melissa Hedin	39.16
HomeTown Leasing	6,435.17

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publ	4,959.28
Jackson's Garage LLC	1,606.47
Tami Janicek	28.75
Jones School Supply Co. Inc.	627.05
Jon's Body Shop	2,836.55
Koke's Auto Farm Truck	400.99
KSB School Law	1,200.00
Dave Kuhlen	58.95
Kylee Bowman	974.44
Naomi Loomis	268.81
Mid-American Research Chemical	338.71
Jessica Ann Martin	2,963.34
Matheson-Linweld	382.93
Debbie Millette	59.99
Nebraska Central Equipment	741.48
Nebraska Bank	3,099.99
Nebraska Safety Center	125.00
NE Safety & Fire Equipment	360.00
Bridgeport News Blade	8.06
Notable	2,170.80
Prestige Group Inc	7,700.00
Quill	977.80
Safelite Fulfillment	209.00
Scholastic Inc	239.41
Shelby Lynn Floral Design LLC	80.00
Sherwin Williams	965.49
Soar Pediatric Therapy	1,821.68

Sonny's Super Foods	837.13
Marci Sorenson	689.58
Kylee Sterkel	218.81
TCS Construction	1,796.00
Trading Post	4,361.34
Kurt Tremain	400.00
Twin City Roofing & Sheet Meta	2,260.00
Angela Vasquez	119.74
Waste Connections	498.43
Wells Fargo Card Services	30,913.47
Winsupply	155.89
Diane Sherman	1,044.12
Lauren Gasseling	734.69
Nebraska Bank	<u>620,000.00</u>
	<u>764,256.04</u>

Lunch Fund

Amazon Capital Services	598.00
Cash-Wa Distributing	18,960.93
Hiland Dairy	2,051.64
Simply Clean	403.26
Sonny's Super Foods	2,422.56
Wells Fargo Card Services	<u>89.55</u>
	<u>24,525.94</u>

Unfinished Business

At 7:04 PM, Corman called the Budget Hearing to order. The board reviewed the proposed budget document as reviewed at the Budget Workshop Meeting held on September 6, 2023.

There being no further discussion, the Budget Hearing was adjourned at 7:07 PM.

At 7:07 PM, Corman called the Final Tax Request Hearing to order. The board reviewed the proposed tax request as reviewed at the Budget Workshop Meeting held on September 6, 2023.

There being no additional discussion, the Final Tax Request Hearing was adjourned at 7:10 PM.

New Business

It was moved by Pohl and seconded by Anderson to approve the Budget as presented in the Budget Hearing. Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Lapaseotes, and Amateis. No: None.

It was moved by Amateis and seconded by Lapaseotes to approve the final tax request for the 2023-2024 school year as presented in the Final Tax Request Hearing. Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Lapaseotes, and Amateis. No: None.

Reports and Discussion

Mrs. Reynolds discussed the NSCAS Fall Benchmark testing for Grades 3-8, with the data being released the last week of September. Parents will receive a copy in the mail. There will be a booth set up at Parent Teacher Conferences to discuss their results. The tests will be reviewed during the October 18 Professional Development. She discussed other upcoming events to keep the focus on Continuous School Improvement. She also discussed the work that is being done on the SPED budget which is due October 31, and plans for Professional Development during 2023-2024.

Mr. Simmons reported on upcoming field trips , parent teacher conferences, Professional Development, DIBELS and Accelerated Reader plans.

Mr. Blanco discussed upcoming activities, Homecoming Week, College Fair, Apply to College Day, NSCAS testing, College Credit classes offered in 23-24, and Safety and Security plans.

Mr. Schlothauer reported that he will be meeting with Willis Beyer and Marie Brown to discuss transportation and evaluating vehicles condition and needs. The new school website is up and running. The Labor Auctions was a success again this year. Facility projects were discussed, including remodel of the Jr Hi bathrooms, the old gym roof, and ducts over the concessions area, floor refinish and new bleachers for the old gym, and refinishing the student sparking lot. Option students numbers will be set by the October meeting. The school is in the process of providing a trainer for athletic events. Interest rates at Platte Valley has increased. Free lunches at Bridgeport Public Schools will continue for three more years.

There was discussion of beginning Negotiations. There were no Board of Education reports.

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

Respectfully Submitted,
Vonnie Brown

Recording Secretary

Approved by:

George Schlothauer, Superintendent