

**Proceedings of the
Bridgeport Public Schools
Morrill County School District #63
Board of Education
Monday, December 11, 2023 – 7:00 PM
Jr./Sr. High School Media Center**

President Justin Corman called the school board meeting to order at 7:05 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, December 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, Ryan Amateis, Linda Norman, and Jim Lapaseotes. Absent: Jeff Pohl. Also present were Elementary Principal James Simmons, Secondary Principal Jason Blanco, Superintendent George Schlothauer, and Recording Secretary Vonnie Brown.

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

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

Communications included a thank you from the Marvin Nussbaum Family and especially Kay Anderson for the memorial in the loss of her father. There was also a thank you from the Fellowship of Christian Athletes for use of the school bus for FCA's Weekend of Champions event.

Visitors were recognized.

Business Meeting:

It was moved by Anderson and seconded by Norman to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The Consent Agenda includes the minutes of the November 13, 2023, Regular Board Meeting, financial reports and payables ending November 30, 2023, December Expenditures, and December General Fund payroll and withholding of \$618,307.08 and Lunch Fund payroll and withholding of \$17,219.37. Yes: Corman, Anderson, Lapaseotes, Norman, and Amateis. No: None.

Bills were paid as follows:

<u>Paid To</u> <u>General Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Amazon Capital Services	6,687.74

Benzel Pest Control	330.00
Black Hills Energy	2,794.78
Blue Cross and Blue Shield of	3,159.03
Bluffs Facility Solutions	3,943.27
Bluum of Texas	4,772.50
Bomgaars	138.76
Kylee Bowman	2,057.16
Cash-Wa Distributing	4,212.46
Charter Communications	119.98
City of Bridgeport	11,731.91
Cobblestone Inn and Suites Bri	180.00
Chadron State College	260.00
Culligan of Scottsbluff	2,270.55
DAS State Acctg-Central Financ	29.50
Demco	1,608.92
E-470 Public Highway Authority	9.60
Eakes Office Solutions	195.98
ESU #13	21,866.95
ESU Coordinating Council	1,375.00
Ferguson Signs Inc.	2,100.00
Flinn Scientific Inc.	29.95
Follett Content Solutions	158.80
Josie Freiberger	1,064.05
Victor Gutierrez	638.43
HomeTown Leasing	6,435.17
Jackson's Garage LLC	627.85
Koke's Auto Farm Truck	1,231.02
KSB School Law	1,292.50

Lee's Service	3,896.61
Naomi Loomis	567.49
Matheson-Linweld	169.04
Nebraska Choral	512.00
Nebraska Bank	3,358.33
Nebraska State Fire Marshal	108.00
Bridgeport News Blade	172.15
On To College	196.50
Panhandle Coop System	1,312.22
Pitney Bowes Bank INC.	
Purchas	100.23
Plummer Insurance Inc.	500.00
Prestige Group Inc	3,600.00
Quill	364.83
Scholastic Inc	30.35
School Nurse Supply	1,019.45
Scottsbluff Screenprinting	2,300.00
Soar Pediatric Therapy	10,150.27
Sonny's Super Foods	550.19
Trading Post	6,562.60
Truck Center Companies	769.54
ULINE	334.29
Wells Fargo Card Services	16,292.51
W.P.C.I.	106.00
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<u>Lunch Fund</u>	
Cash-Wa Distributing	25,259.48
Hiland Dairy	2,991.42
Simply Clean	343.47

Sonny's Super Foods	4,405.11
Wells Fargo Card Services	<u>322.74</u>
	<u>33,322.22</u>

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

Consideration to approve the collective bargaining agreement with the BEA for the 2024-2025 school year was tabled as the Negotiation Committee and the BEA have not reached a potential agreement.

Reports and Discussion

Mr. Simmons reported on Elementary enrollment, and the celebrations of successes for Character Counts, Accelerated Reader with a skating party, and the Ultimate Field Trip for the winning House team. He also said the Elementary Christmas Concert is scheduled for December 19.

Mr. Blanco reported on Winter Activities, Winter Royalty, potential Eligibility Policy changes, ACE Scholarship applications, Dual Credit courses for second semester, and FAFSA Completion Day workshops to be held in January and February.

Mr. Schlothauer reported on Bridgeport Public Schools being selected as one of two 2023-2024 NebraskARTS Award winners, for exceptional student talent and dedication by teachers to the arts at Bridgeport School. He also reported on basketball schedule changes, ESU enrollment numbers, Staff Christmas party scheduled for January 5, estimates to replace windows and doors on the High School side with estimates coming in lower than expected, renewal of contract with Eakes with replacement of machines scheduled over Christmas break, new bus driver, Doug Bowman, repairs to the 2019 Ford Expedition, NASB membership, Concessions, and the One Act Play state competition.

It was moved by Amateis and seconded by Lapaseotes to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 PM. Yes: Corman, Anderson, Lapaseotes, Norman, and Amateis. No: None.

Respectfully Submitted,
 Vonnie Brown
 Recording Secretary

Approved by:

George Schlothauer, Superintendent