

**Proceedings of the
Bridgeport Public Schools
Morrill County School District #63
Board of Education
Monday, November 13, 2023 – 8:00 PM
Jr./Sr. High School Media Center**

President Justin Corman called the school board meeting to order at 7:07 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, November 10, 2023.

Roll call was taken. Members present: Justin Corman, Kay Anderson, Jeff Pohl, Ryan Amateis, Linda Norman, 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 Lapaseotes and seconded by Anderson to approve the Agenda as presented for the Board Meeting. Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Lapaseotes, Norman, and Amateis. No: None.

Communications included a thank you from MCM Truck Repair, who helped with repairing the activity bus and getting it back on the road at Ogallala when it broke down. They were quick to respond, did not overcharge, and got the bus back on the way home quickly. Bridgeport Schools had sent them some Bulldog mugs in appreciation.

Visitors were recognized.

Business Meeting:

It was moved by Norman and seconded by Amateis to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The Consent Agenda includes the minutes of the October 10, 2023, Regular Board Meeting, financial reports and payables ending October 31, 2023, November Expenditures, and November General Fund payroll and withholding of \$605,724.17 and Lunch Fund payroll and withholding of \$17,356.92. Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Lapaseotes, Norman, and Amateis. No: None.

Bills were paid as follows:

<u>Paid To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<u>Bond Account</u>	
BOK FINANCIAL	<u>460,159.13</u>
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General Fund

Allo Communications	3,338.96
Amazon Capital Services	6,166.66
Jill Bartling	53.64
Benzel Pest Control	165.00
Black Hills Energy	1,069.01
Blue Cross and Blue Shield of	4,387.93
Bluffs Facility Solutions	4,172.40
Bluum of Texas	2,386.25
Bomgaars	109.91
Kylee Bowman	2,165.43
Burger Werx Catering	663.18
Cash-Wa Distributing	2,407.97
Charter Communications	239.96
City of Bridgeport	11,859.62
Cobblestone Inn and Suites Bri	642.00
Dana F Cole & Company LLP	26,502.40
DAS State Acctg-Central Financ	267.63
Demco	116.71
Doane University	210.00
EBSCO Information Services	730.06
ESU #13	15,736.66
Josie Freiburger	1,120.05
Victor Gutierrez	672.03
Hampton Inn	1,025.83
HARRIS	5,405.01
HomeTown Leasing	6,435.17
Innovative Office Solutions LL	135.10

Jackson's Garage LLC	4,849.61
Jostens	1,106.09
JP Boiler Service LLC	4,682.25
Koke's Auto Farm Truck	111.52
KSB School Law	2,830.00
Naomi Loomis	597.36
Mid-American Research Chemical	624.92
Jessica Ann Martin	3,951.12
Matheson-Linweld	162.80
Morrill County Community Hospi	540.00
Menard's	16.99
Nebraska Safety Center	255.00
NE Safety & Fire Equipment	594.60
Panhandle Coop System	2,788.31
Pepsi Cola Bottling Co. of All	829.80
Postmaster	310.00
Prestige Group Inc	2,700.00
Quill	595.21
Safelite Fulfillment	2,273.32
School Specialty/DBA Classroom	2,222.52
Soar Pediatric Therapy	6,219.71
Sonny's Super Foods	1,308.54
Synergy Rehab Bridgeport LLC	870.00
Trading Post	7,109.48
Universal Cheerleaders Assn	2,252.00
Weekly Reader Corporation	1,600.00
Wells Fargo Card Services	22,946.44

W.P.C.I.	250.00
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<u>Lunch Fund</u>	
Amazon Capital Services	66.00
Cash-Wa Distributing	22,758.07
Hiland Dairy	3,024.14
Simply Clean	220.92
Sonny's Super Foods	4,501.11
Wells Fargo Card Services	557.60
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Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

None.

Reports and Discussion

Mrs. Reynolds discussed the Winter Benchmark Schedule, 22-23 AQUEST results which will be available soon, the Law Conference she attended in Omaha, recent CAP review, Target Improvement plan, and Unified Bowling.

Mr. Simmons reported on the Math Curriculum review, the 6th grade multicultural fair, and the Spelling Bee scheduled for January 26.

Mr. Blanco reported on enrollment in Winter Activities, new shot clocks, All State Band/Choir, Activities photos, Google form for walkthrough evaluations, attendance letters, and a Junior High dance being held November 17.

Mr. Schlothauer reported that the Bulldog bus was repaired in time to take it to Football Playoffs at Crofton. The Expedition that was wrecked in January needed some more repairs, and it has been picked up and is back on the road. The lease bus was exchanged for an older one, but it seems to be running well. There has been discussion with Action Communication, the sheriff's office, and the school regarding the purchase of new radios that would allow continuous communication between the school and the sheriff's office. Concessions have been very active and doing well. Insurance is expected to increase significantly for 24-25 school year. Discussion is ongoing to see how this can be decreased. Veterans Day program went very well, and dinner was served to approximately 140 veterans and other community members. The school is taking bids for the Preschool playground. There are two companies submitting bids, and the school has received a few donations for the project. The USDA Farm to School Grant is actively researching ways to promote the beef program even more. There is

ongoing discussion of different platforms for community engagement and information. A committee is reviewing the Math Curriculum as it is next in the rotation for replacement.

At 7:45 p.m., there was a motion by Anderson and seconded by Amateis to move to Executive Session for the superintendent job performance evaluation and to prevent needless injury to the reputation of a person and such person has not requested a public meeting. Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Lapaseotes, Norman, and Amateis. No: None.

President Corman stated, "It has been approved to move to Executive Session for the superintendent job performance evaluation and to prevent needless injury to the reputation of a person and such person has not requested a public meeting. Consideration of matters is restricted to the reason for the closed session."

At 9:17 PM, there was a motion by Pohl and seconded by Amateis to return from Executive Session to the Regular Open Meeting, and the public was invited back into the meeting in progress.

It was moved by Linda and seconded by Anderson to adjourn the meeting at 9:17 PM. Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Lapaseotes, Norman, and Amateis. No: None.

Respectfully Submitted,
Vonnie Brown
Recording Secretary

Approved by:

George Schlothauer, Superintendent