

**Proceedings of the
Bridgeport Public Schools
Morrill County School District #63
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Monday, July 8, 2024 – 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, July 5, 2024, and by publication in the Bridgeport News-Blade on July 3, 2024.

Roll call was taken. Members present: Justin Corman, Jeff Pohl, Kay Anderson, Ryan Amateis, Linda Norman, and Jim Lapaseotes. Also present were Elementary Principal James Simmons, Principal of Instruction Erin Reynolds, Superintendent George Schlothauer, and Recording Secretary Vonnie Brown. Secondary Principal Jason Blanco was out of town.

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

There were no communications.

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 June 10, 2024, Regular Board Meeting, financial reports and payables ending June 30, 2024, July Expenditures, and July General and Lunch Fund payroll and withholding of \$561,604.86. Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Lapaseotes, Norman, and Amateis. No: None.

Bills were paid as follows:

Vendor	Amount
ACT Finance	\$731.00
Amazon eCommerce	\$3,188.15
Amsterdam Publishing	\$434.03
Benzel Pest Control	\$165.00
Black Hills Energy	\$769.09
Blue Cross and Blue Shield of NE	\$3,344.72
Bluffs Facility Solutions	\$2,414.00
Bomgaars	\$13.36
Box Butte County	\$100.00

Bridgeport Activity Fund	\$81.60
Bridgeport News Blade	\$95.02
Business U LLC	\$975.00
Carolina Biological Supply Company	\$436.00
Charter Communications	\$119.98
Chrome Book Parts	\$774.75
City of Bridgeport	\$12,555.80
Country Inn and Suites Kearney	\$432.72
Culligan of Scottsbluff	\$441.00
DAS State Acctg-Central Finance/OCIO	\$267.63
Dick Blick Art Materials	\$1,206.03
Egan Supply	\$10.61
ESU #13	\$19,929.67
ESU Coordinating Council	\$918.00
Floyd's Truck Center, Inc.	\$10.00
Hampton Inn/Kearney	\$416.10
HARRIS	\$815.60
HomeTown Leasing	\$4,598.18
JJ Pratt Enterprises, LLC	\$10,920.00
Koke's Auto Farm Truck	\$530.81
KSB School Law	\$136.00
Learning Without Tears	\$2,294.64
Lee's Service	\$1,011.35
Matheson-Linweld	\$176.00
McGraw - Hill Education, Inc	\$1,645.69
MCS	\$460.86
Mechanical Sales Parts, Inc.	\$4,737.22
Mid-American Research Chemical Corp	\$689.30
Midwest Technology Products	\$643.82
Modern Arborculture	\$1,050.00
Musician's Choice, LLC, The	\$200.25
Nasco - Fort Atkinson	\$86.90
NE Safety & Fire Equipment	\$2,845.00
NKC Tire/McWhorter's Tire	\$1,638.36
NMC Exchange LLC	\$300.00
Oriental Trading Company	\$64.95
Outdoor Recreation Products	\$13,760.00
Panhandle Coop System	\$3,436.22
Pyramid School Products	\$3,951.09

Quill	\$2,520.70
Really Good Stuff, LLC	\$541.04
Riverside Lumber	\$125.82
Riverstone Bank	\$825.66
Rochester 100 Inc	\$198.09
School Health Corporation	\$579.49
School Specialty LLC-Coop orders	\$383.62
School Specialty/DBA Classroom Direct/Frey/Sa	\$644.97
Scottsbluff Screenprinting	\$520.00
Shaggy Buffalo	\$10.00
Sherwin Williams	\$2,800.34
Simple Company & Floral Shop, The	\$80.00
Soar Pediatric Therapy, LLC	\$6,244.31
Sonny's Super Foods	\$92.54
TCI	\$2,529.00
Tony McGrath	\$29.04
Trading Post	\$767.70
W.P.C.I.	\$38.00
W.W. Norton	\$1,636.70
Waste Connections, Inc.	\$681.78
Wells Fargo Card Services, Inc.	\$412.95
Wells Fargo Card Services, Inc.	\$37,726.26
William H. Sadlier, Inc.	\$760.45
Grand Total	\$165,969.96

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

There was a presentation by Josh MacDonald about the kiosk system that will be coming in conjunction with the PowerSchool apps for phones and the conversion to PowerSchool for phone notifications. There will be a kiosk located at Prairie Winds Community Center and one in the commons area at the school. They are easily portable, so it can be moved around the building for access at sporting and academic events. It can be used to provide directions at some of the events or to access the QR code to download the app on phones.

Following discussion, it was moved by Norman and seconded by Amateis to approve the Jr High/High School Handbook for 24-25, omitting the Ineligibility policy until it can be reviewed and revised. Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Lapaseotes, Norman, and Amateis. No: None.

It was moved by Norman and seconded by Lapaseotes to approve the Elementary School Handbook for 24-25. Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Lapaseotes, Norman, and Amateis. No: None.

It was moved by Lapaseotes and seconded by Pohl to approve the Staff Handbook for 24-25. Changes included adding details regarding leave times. Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Lapaseotes, Norman, and Amateis. No: None.

It was moved by Norman and seconded by Anderson to approve first reading for new and revised policies as follows: 3001-Budget and Property Tax Request, 3003.1-Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Related Projects Financed with Federal Funds, 3033-Lending Textbooks to Children Enrolled in Private Schools, 3036-Purchasing (Credit) Card Program, 4003-Drug Policy Regarding Drivers. 4045-Milk Expression, 4059-Behavioral and Mental Health Training, 5003-Admission of Part-Time Students, 5004-Option Enrollment, 5035-Student Discipline, 5045-Student Fees, 5049-Firearms and Weapons, 5062-Lice and Nits, 3059-Audio and Video Recording, 5064-Supplement, Not Supplant, 6003-Instructional Program, 6004-Curriculum Development, and 6025-Student Cell Phone and Other Electronic Devices. Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Lapaseotes, Norman, and Amateis. No: None.

Reports and Discussion

Mrs. Reynolds, Principal of Instruction, reported that IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) grant funding has been released for school year 24-25, with \$115219 for SPED personnel, \$2784 for preschool extended school year services, and \$4759 special education services for home schooled students.

Mr. Schlothauer, Superintendent, reported on summer projects that are under way, and that they are expected to be completed in the next couple of weeks. He also reported on the elementary roof fire that took place on July 4 due to fireworks. Thanks to the quick response from local fire departments, damage was kept fairly manageable.

There was continued discussion of the Donald Clark scholarship.

Kay Anderson discussed an upcoming meeting on hazmat, designed to bring local groups together for conversation.

It was moved by Pohl and seconded by Amateis to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 PM. Yes: Corman, Pohl, Anderson, Lapaseotes, Norman, and Amateis. No: None.

Respectfully Submitted,
Vonnie Brown
Recording Secretary

Approved by:

George Schlothauer, Superintendent