MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 27, 2014 REGULAR MEETING NO. 5

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Hazen School District was held on Monday, October 27, 2014. The meeting was called to order by David Strohl, President at 6:02 pm in the Hazen High School Library.

The meeting was opened with prayer led by David Strohl.

PRESENT

Board members present were David Strohl, Freddie Rogers, David Williams, and Sandra Penn. Johnny Tipton and Richard Ingle were absent.

REPORT TO THE PUBLIC

Superintendent Belford did the yearly Report to the Public. She had a Power point to show and explain the District's operating budget and Federal budget, enrollment, Certified staff and Non-Certified staff. She also explained Hazen Schools Accreditation Status, Title I, ACSIP, Title 11A, Title VI, NSL Allocations, ELLA, Gifted and Talented program, Professional Development Allocations. She then turned the floor over to Elementary Principal, Jason Stewart to explain test scores from last year showing which areas elementary make improvement or needed to improve in an area. High School Principal, Dr. Roxanne Bradow also explained test scores on High School students testing from last year. Superintendent Belford asked if anyone had any questions on the report.

MINUTES APPROVED

The minutes of the September 22 regular meeting were approved.

Motion by David Williams and second by Freddie Rogers. Motion carried 4-0.

WARRANTS APPROVED

District Treasurer Warrants #19984-20137 and #39351-39466
Activity and Athlectic Checks #74379-74418
Cafeteria Warrants #81176-81178 and #81182-81185 and #81188-81193 and #20093
Were approved. Motion by Freddie Rogers and second by David Williams. Motion carried 4-0.

ACTION ITEMS

APPROVE THE 5% SALARY INCREASE FOR THE 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR: Approve the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the 5% salary increase for the 2013-2014 school year. Superintendent Belford went on to explain this was a new law, ACT 1120. She also included a copy of the Commissioner's Memo explaining the ACT 1120. Motion by David Williams and second by Freddie Rogers. Motion carried 4-0.

DESIGNATE DISBURSING OFFICER: Designate a Board Member to sign checks as Board Disbursing Officer. David Strohl was nominated. Motion made by David Williams and second by Freddie Rogers. Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVE PAY TO DELK CONSTRUCTION: Approve the recommendation of Superintendent Belford to pay Delk Construction \$114,682.54 for construction cost on the Elementary Building. Motion made by David Williams and second by Freddie Rogers. Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVE PAY TO DELK CONSTRUCTION: Approve the recommendation of Superintendent Belford to pay Delk Construction \$362,287.77 for construction cost on the Gymnasium. Motion made by David Williams and second by Freddie Rogers. Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVE AN ADDITIONAL MONEY TO THE GMP OF THE GYM: Approve the recommendation of the Superintendent to pay an additional \$10,551.0 to the GMP of the Gym for changes to the High School Office. The additional changes in the High School office have to do with safety for staff and students. Motion made by David Williams and second by Freddie Rogers. Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVE TO PURCHASE A SUBSCRIPTION TO AMPLIFY: Approve the recommendation to purchase a one year subscription to Amplify an assessment management and reporting system for grades K-6 to be paid with NSL funds. Motion made by Sandra Penn and second by Freddie Rogers. Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVE BID FOR LAWN CARE FOR THE DISTRICT: Approve Superintendent's recommendation to accept the bid from Booth Lawn Care for lawn care services at \$19,500 per year. Two other bids were turned in by Travis and Rodney VanHouten for \$22,500.00 and Dunlap Lawn Care for \$20,800.00. Motion made by David Williams and second by Freddie Rogers. Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVE REQUIRED BY A.C.A. 6-24-101 RESOLUTIONS: Approve resolution for the district to conduct business transactions with the vendors in which school employees may be "directly interested" as indicated below.

Vendor

Employee

Transaction Requirement

Ryan Booth

Susan Booth

Local Resolution/ADE approval

Motion made by David Williams and second by Freddie Rogers. Motion carried 4-0.

INFORMATION:

PPC: Rebecca Shelman state that the PPC are working on the Personal Policies **PRINCIPALS:**

Elementary Principal Jason Stewart updated the Board on November activities. Jr. Beta inductions will be Oct. 28 at 9:00, Sheriff Department will be here on November 15 to talk to students about Saying No to Drugs. Informed the Board how Elementary and High School students handled using the Safe Rooms when we were in a tornado warning. Over Thanksgiving construction workers will be doing finish up touch ups on the new 3-5 building. High School Principal, Roxanne Bradow also commented on how well the students did during the tornado warning in the Safe Rooms. She also updated the Board on High School's November activities. Parent/Teacher conferences will be on Oct. 28, Hazen's Student Council won the Food Drive for the third year in a row with Des Arc. All can goods go to the Prairie County Food Pantry. She also handed out their November calendar.

SUPERINTENDENT:

Mrs. Belford introduced members of the Prairie County Library Board.
Represents present were Ann Dooley, Beth Rogers and Cindy Wolfe. Mrs. Rogers explained why it was so important to Prairie County Citizens to keep our County Libraries. Asked that we please vote for the millage on November 4.

Superintendent Belford then gave an update on the construction clean up on the playground, gym and the High School office. Explained how the dirt where the Bowman building stood is not good dirt and may need to under cut it, by taking out some old dirt and haul in good dirt. Doing this right now, would cost the school around \$50,000. Right now, it will not hold up for parking. If we scrap it and level it off, seed it and let it rest for the winter. This would help the ground to harden up. In doing this it will hold up for parking. This would also save us \$34,000.00. The gym will be closed Oct. 29 for the week to have the gym floors refinished. Superintendent commended our staff and students on how well Homecoming went.

PERSONNEL:

APPROVE RESIGNATION: Approve Superintendent's recommendation to accept the resignation of Patty Higgs as a HIPPY Paraprofessional. Motion by David Williams and second by Freddie Rogers. Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVE TO HIRE: Approve the Superintendent's recommendation to hire Katelyn Carrell as a HIPPY Paraprofessional for the 2014-2015 School Year Beginning October 28, 2014. Motion by Freddie Rogers and second by David Williams. Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVE TO HIRE: Approve the Superintendent's recommendation to hire Jeff Cagle as a route bus driver effective October 12, 2014. Motion by David Williams and second by Freddie Rogers. Motion carried 4-0.

The President of the Board declared the meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm. The next regular meeting will be on Monday, November 20 at 6:00 pm. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm in the High School Library.

DATE APPROVED

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY.