

HORTONVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2025

1. The Board of Education Open Session was called to order at 7:04 PM by Board President Robert VanDenElzen. Present were Mrs. Dana Ramshak, Mr. Brett Eidahl, Mrs. Andrea Marcks-Ziegler, and Mrs. Jessica Hartjes. Absent was Mr. Craig Dreier
2. President VanDenElzen confirmed that the public was given notice of the meeting by postings at the Greenville Elementary, Hortonville Elementary, North Greenville Elementary, Greenville Middle, Hortonville Middle, Hortonville High Schools, Hortonville Public Library, Greenville Town Hall and the District website (www.hasd.org). Notice was sent to the Press Star and Post Crescent.
3. Pledge of Allegiance – President VanDenElzen
4. Mr. Brett Eidahl made a motion to approve the Open Session Minutes from January 13, 2025; Mrs. Jessica Hartjes seconded the motion; roll call vote; motion carried. Mrs. Andrea Marcks-Ziegler abstained.
5. Mrs. Dana Ramshak made a motion to approve the Closed Session Minutes from January 13, 2025; Mr. Brett Eidahl seconded the motion; roll call vote; motion carried.
6. Mrs. Andrea Marcks-Ziegler made a motion to approve Regular Vouchers **#57504-#57660** (*Void - #57516, 57517, 57525, 57526, 57527, 57528, 57529, 57533, 57575, 57622*); Mrs. Jessica Hartjes seconded the motion; roll call vote; motion carried.
7. Mr. Brett Eidahl made a motion to approve the ACH/Employee Reimbursement Vouchers – **#242500152-242500178**; Mrs. Dana Ramshak second the motion; roll call vote; motion carried.
8. Recognitions (*State & National Appreciation Day/Week*) Mr. Brett Eidahl made a motion to approve the Recognitions as listed; Mr. Craig Dreier seconded the motion; roll call vote; motion carried:
 - Congratulations to Hortonville Nominees / Excellence in Education Shining Star Awards – Angela Schumaker – NGES; Jeff Ehlke – HHS and Jillian Prah – HHS
 - 4th Quarter Grode Educational Excellence Grant recipients – Kalen Ouellette – Adaptive Sports League - \$700; Sydney Brecklin & 5th Grade Team at GMS - \$1,000
 - Congratulations to HHS Girls Basketball Team – Post-Crescent Team of the Week
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 - Congratulations to HHS senior Rainey Welton nominated for the McDonald's All-American team, which will consist of 24 of the top girls and 24 of the top boy basketball players in the country. There are just over 700 nominees in the country.

- Congratulations the Lego Legends (GMS Lego Team) who earned a National bid to the Western Edge Open (invite only) which will take place in Long Beach California. Team members are - Conner Bassage, Dylan Revnew, Leon Ryzhov, Hunter Swagel, Cooper VanBoxtel, Brendon VanCamp, and Piersen Winkel. Coaches Cody VanBoxtel and Val Revnew)
 - Congratulations to senior Rainey Welson who was nominated again for the Post-Crescent Athlete of the Week.
9. Presentations by District residents / Comments from the Public – None
10. Special Presentation – None
11. District Administrator Report –
- Letter of Resignation from Mr. Douglas Ellerman effective January 13, 2025 – Town of Center. The District will post the open seat for the Town of Center for 20/25 days. Anyone 18 years or old, reside in the town of Center, and must be a qualified elector in the Hortonville Area School District, should send a letter of Interest to the District Office. The Board will then meet with the interested parties and make their selection. The term will be until April 2026.
12. Board Member Reports
- President Report – Attended the State School Board Members Convention in Milwaukee, attending several meetings including the Budget meeting.
 - Committee Report – Personnel Committee, Monday, January 27, 2025 – Mrs. Dana Ramshak reported that the committee reviewed an addition to the Tennis Program Job Description and will move that onto the Board for approval. The committee received an updated from Compensation Committee members on suggestions for the staff. They are currently looking at a Longevity Stipend and will be doing a Health Benefits survey.
 - Technology Committee – Monday, January 27, 2025 – Mr. Brett Eidahl informed the Board members that Mr. Matthew Schmidt updated the committee members on the updates that the Technology Department have been working on which includes cleaning the Network Infrastructure and Data Closets. They are also working on the Student 1:1 beginning Summer 2025, Classroom IFP/TV Progress, and Video Surveillance. A report was also given on the updates to the District website and Social Media with more work to be done during the upcoming summer months.
13. Discussion -
- 1st Reading – HHS DECA – Overnight Trip – Lake Geneva – February 23-26, 2025 – Transportation provided by District – Brian Gooding approved.

14. Consent Agenda – Mr. Brett Eidahl made a motion to approve the Consent agenda; Mrs. Andrea Marcks-Ziegler seconded the motion; roll call vote; motion carried.
Approved were:
- 2nd Reading - HHS Youth in Government – Overnight Trip – Madison – March 7th – March 9th, 2025 – Transportation provided by District – Brian Gooding approved.
 - 2nd Reading – FWA – Out-of-State / Overnight Trip - St. Louis, MO – April 28, 2025 – May 2, 2025 – Transportation provided by Lamers Coaches
 - Retirement at the end of 2024-2025 for Lisa Ales – Lisa has been a teacher in the District for 34 years, currently 3rd Grade at Hortonville Elementary School
 - Unpaid Time off for Professional Staff Member
15. New Business –
- Mr. Brett Eidahl made a motion to approve the recommendation for updates to Policy 5113 – Open Enrollment and Space Determination for Regular and Special Education students; Mrs. Dana Ramshak seconded the motion; roll call vote; motion carried.
 - 2025-2026 Special Education space recommendation is to close Special Education services to Open Enrollment students. The caseload space to service Special Education students per the Service Matrix score and factoring table found in the Open Enrollment Policy #5113, are full. Per policy, if a request for Open Enrollment is made and the student has an IEP, a review of the IEP will be made, and a decision will be sent to the requesting family.
 - Mr. Brett Eidahl made a motion to approve the recommendation to deny current Open Enrollment for a high school student in the District; Mrs. Andrea Marcks-Ziegler seconded the motion; roll call vote; motion carried.
 - Mr. Brett Eidahl made a motion to approve the recommendation for new and updates to the following Job Descriptions (*reviewed at Personnel Committee on 1/13/2025*); Mrs. Andrea Marcks-Ziegler seconded the motion; roll call vote; motion carried:
 - District Library Media Specialist 4K-12
 - District Library Media Assistant 4K – 12
 - District ELL Coordinator (Co-Curricula Schedule) - NEW
 - Tennis Program (Girls & Boys) – NEW (*to include updates from Personnel Committee meeting on 1/27/2025*)
16. Announcements & Reminders of Forthcoming Events – Nothing New
- Policy Committee Meeting – Monday, February 10, 2025 – 6:15 PM – District Board Room
 - Board of Education Meeting – Monday, February 10, 2025 – 7:00 PM – District Board Room
 - Board of Education Meeting – Monday, February 24, 2025 – 7:00 PM – District Board Room

- Board of Education Meeting – Monday, March 10, 2025 – 7:00 PM – District Board Room
- Spring Break – March 24-28, 2025
- Board of Education Elections – Tuesday, April 1, 2025
- Board of Canvassing – Friday, April 4, 2025 – 8:30 AM – District Office
- Board of Education Meeting – Monday, April 14, 2025 – 7:00 PM – District Board Room
- Board of Education Meeting – Monday, April 28, 2025 – 7:00 PM – District Board Room
- Policy Committee – Monday, April 28, 2025 – 6:15 PM – District Board Room – (Review Act 20 Policy)

17. With no further business, Mr. Brett Eidahl made a motion to adjourn;
 Mrs. Dana Ramshak seconded the motion; roll call vote: motion carried.
 Time: 7:24 PM

Respectfully submitted,
 Tamie Neilson, District Administrative Assistant
 Brett Eidahl, Clerk