

**Minutes of the Board of Education of the  
Oelrichs School District 23-3  
Regular Board Meeting  
February 13, 2025**

**Call to Order**

The Board of Education of the Oelrichs School District 23-3 met in regular session on February 13, 2025, in the High School Science Room. The meeting was called to order by John Cope, Board President, at 5:00 pm.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call**

Members Present: John Cope, Dave Osmotherly, Marty Schommer, and Lance Tlustos.

Members Absent: Katie Merdanian

Administration Present: Dr. Mitchell Stone, Principal Peterson, and Business Manager Sword.

MOTION by Osmotherly, second Tlustos to approve January 21, 2025, meeting minutes. Motion carried.

MOTION by Osmotherly, second Tlustos to approve the proposed agenda. Motion carried.

*\*All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.*

**Public Participation** – no participation.

**Old Business**

**High School Construction** Stone updated the board on the current status of the construction research and repair.

**Board Reports** Merdanian offered, via text, to attend the equalization board meeting on March 17.

**Administration Reports:** Dr. Stone informed the board that with the cold weather, the plan is to have a 2-hour late start.

Dr. Stone and Principal Peterson plan to attend the teacher fair in Sioux Falls next week.

Dr. Stone gave an overview of current federal executive orders and state legislation and the impact it could have on the district's budget next year.

Peterson invited the board to the family spaghetti lunch and bingo on Friday. She recognized the teachers' hard work and contributions towards their professional development. Midterm grades were sent out last week and the last home basketball game will be next week.

**Financials**

MOTION by Schommer, second Osmotherly to approve the transfer of \$600,000 from Impact Aid to the General Fund. Motion carried.

MOTION by Osmotherly, second Tlustos to accept the unaudited financial reports and pay all invoiced claims. Motion carried.

	<u>Beginning</u> <u>Balance</u>	<u>Plus</u> <u>Receipts</u>	<u>(transfer)</u>	<u>Less</u> <u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Ending</u> <u>Balance</u>
General Fund	49,042.00	182,716.98		194,321.85	37,437.13
Capital Outlay	469,598.72	3,132.61		9,675.42	463,055.91
Special Education	101,769.38	3,540.59		11,864.91	93,445.06
Impact Aid	7,328,439.73	211,196.61			7,539,636.34
Food Service	16,900.89	6,074.02		8,729.43	14,245.48
Custodial Balance:	17,930.69	1,205.56			19,136.25

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**Policy GCDB: Criminal Background Investigation** first reading

**Open Enrollment**

No action

**Contracts**

MOTION by Osmotherly, second Schommer to approve the letter of engagement with Heather Lammers Bogard. Motion carried.

MOTION by Osmotherly, second Tlustos to approve the letter of engagement with HKA Global, LLC and pay a \$10,000 retainer. Motion carried.

**Personnel**

MOTION by Osmotherly, second Tlustos to approve a pay increase of \$.75 to Russell Hines, effective immediately. Motion carried.

MOTION by Schommer, second Osmotherly to approve a pay increase of \$.75 to Courtney Malone, effective immediately. Motion carried.

MOTION by Tlustos, second Schommer to approve a pay increase of \$.75 to Carol Danks, effective immediately. Motion carried.

MOTION by Schommer, second Tlustos to approve a pay increase of \$.75 to Tracey Osmotherly, effective immediately. Osmotherly abstained due to conflict. Motion carried.

**Adjournment**

MOTION by Tlustos, second Osmotherly to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 PM. Motion carried.

*Attested to by CEO/Superintendent Stone.*

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