

**Minutes of the Board of Education of the
Oelrichs School District 23-3
Regular Board Meeting
October 17, 2023**

Call to Order

The Board of Education of the Oelrichs School District 23-3 met in regular session on October 17, 2023, in the library. The meeting was called to order by Dave Osmotherly, Board President, at 5:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

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

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

MOTION by Merdanian, second Cope to approve September 18, 2023, meeting minutes. Motion carried.

MOTION by Cope, second Tlustos, to approve the 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: Regarding the asphalt project for the high school driveway, the engineers posted a dead link so the bid had to be republished with additional time extended to submit bids. The extension of time made contractors reluctant to bid due to possible cold weather. Dr Stone visited with a company that was interested in doing the project and suggested republishing the bid with the completion date being June 30.

A load of sand has been ordered for the football field, Heath G will use his equipment to spread the sand without disrupting the existing grass. We will spread additional grass seed so the field should be in better shape next spring.

The high school roof has several leaks. Jake, from Scull, will remove the tin, inspect, and fix any areas that are leaking. The professionals from Denver have received the specs and are reviewing for design or installation flaws. The goal is to have them on site by the end of December.

There was discussion about what should be done with the two remaining modulars. Some suggestions were to place on surplus and get it removed from the property. The other modular could be moved to another area of the school's property and renovated to living space. The board will revisit this item next month.

Elementary School Roof: The Elementary had one small leak after the heavy rain. It has been sealed and the final payment will be made to finish this project.

Bus Barn: The proposal for Architectural and Engineering services from TSP was reviewed. It was requested that Kyle, from Greenberg and Traurig, review the proposal before any board action.

Board Reports: Merdanian attended BHSSC and the spotlight was on community and family services. She also attended Communities that Care. They continue to connect with schools to identify any areas of need and are offering a time for kids to participate in open gym activities.

Lance Tlustos attended the Fall River County Ag Banquet and accepted a \$1,000 donation for the Beef to School Program.

There was discussion about publishing a newsletter to promote the school and possibly seek beef donations. To improve public relations, Merdanian has been writing a piece spotlighting teachers in the school. This spotlight will also be shared on the school Facebook page.

Administration Reports

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Dr. Stone shared the annual teacher compensation report with the board. Oelrichs School District's teacher compensation is above the average of similar sized schools. The board had some discussion about possible compensation opportunities in the next year.

Dr. Stone and Oelrichs CTE (Career Technical Education) staff met with Perkins personnel and had a great dialogue about the future and possible growth of CTE within the district.

Financials

MOTION by Cope, 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>Due From</u> <u>(adjust)</u>	<u>Less</u> <u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Ending</u> <u>Balance</u>
General Fund	272,906.82	98,240.01	58,822.44	260,333.58	169,635.69
Capital Outlay	438,993.26	791.87		345,619.31	94,165.82
Special Education	122,512.30	3,397.73		23,691.36	102,218.67
Impact Aid	5,862,573.10	196,495.56			6,059,068.66
Food Service	17,157.58	3,730.57	-1,119	9,968.20	9,800.95
Custodial Balance:	16,846.12	251.45			17,097.57

Report Card Overview: Principal Peterson presented information about the school report in the areas of attendance and the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) scores. Attendance has been an issue nationwide since the COVID pandemic. Peterson believes it is important to hold students accountable for their actions, including attendance. Due to the distance many of our students travel, if they miss the bus, they have no alternative access to get to school.

Open Enrollment

MOTION by Cope, second Tlustos to approve enrollment of students 34, 35, 36 as presented by Principal Peterson. Motion carried.

MOTION by Tlustos, second Merdanian to deny open enrollment for student 33 as presented by Principal Peterson. Motion carried.

Contracts: No action was taken

Personnel

MOTION by Merdanian, second Cope to approve Anna Takes the Shield, Assistant Volleyball Coach, \$1,500. Motion carried.

MOTION by Tlustos, second Merdanian, to approve Osheanna Mousseaux, HS Girls Assistant Basketball Coach \$1,575. Motion carried.

MOTION by Cope, second Schommer to approve Eric Mabin, HS Head Girls Basketball Coach, \$3,083. Motion carried.

MOTION by Tlustos, second Merdanian to approve Ruth Dreamer, HS Head Boys Basketball Coach, \$3,398. Motion carried.

MOTION by Merdanian, second Tlustos to approve Shayna Otteson, School Secretary, \$15.00 per hour. Motion carried.

MOTION by Schommer, second Merdanian at approve Brian Pattiani, Custodian, \$17.00 per hour. Motion carried.

MOTION by Merdanian, second Cope to approve Nancy Labor, Custodian, \$18.00 per hour. Motion carried.

MOTION Tlustos, second Schommer to approve 5.4% raise increase for Activity Driver (\$18.97 per hour) and Bus Driver (\$52.70 per route). Motion carried.

Adjournment

MOTION by Cope, second Tlustos to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 PM. Motion carried.

Attested to by CEO/Superintendent Stone.

Pursuant to SDCL 17-2-28 the approximate cost of publishing this legal notice is \$

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