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# **Hettinger School** Board Proceedings

Regular School Board Meeting Minutes February 19, 2025 6:00 PM - Board Room Roll Call:

Present: President Kortney Kindsfater Patrick Kilzer, Jordan

Christman, Allison Clausen Others Attending: Superintendent Darin Seamands, Elementary Principal Dave Erickson, Business Manager Jeremy Fordahl, Athletic Director Jon Kohler, Administrative Assistant Kira Henderson Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 6:00

Pledge of Allegiance Confirmation of Agenda: Additions:

Retirement Letter (New Business - Item F) – Action Reduction in Force and Nonrenewal Procedures (New Business - Item G) – Action Teacher Negotiations (Moved under Unfinished Business)

Information/Action Motion to approve agenda additions and deletions: Kilzer moved, Clausen seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: January 15, 2025 - Regular Meeting: Motion to approve the January 15th Regular minutes by Christman, seconded by Clausen. Motion carried unani-

mously. February 10, 2025 - Special Motion to approve Meeting: February 10th special minutes by Christman, seconded by Clausen. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Bills Financial Report:

February 2025 report post-poned. Motion by Clausen, seconded by Christman. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent/Secondary Report: City Air ordered new air pumps; electrical updates in elementary tunnels pending. Erickson Heating and Air ordered two new pool fans for \$11,500 bid. Awaiting feedback on science lab renovations. Student engagement surveys were completed in homerooms for hope for a better environment with

Elementary Principal Report: Spelling Bee winners: Muhammad Kahn (7th Grade) and Daxton Kunkle (7th Grade) advancing to state in April.

Spelling Bee participants led the wrestler send-off parade. January reading challenge exceeded goal: 1,888 books read

February 14: 5th and 6th grad-

ers visited nursing home, receiving positive community feedback

Wellness committee planning health fair; discussions on sourcing local beef for school

Athletic Director Report: Boys' basketball season ends February 20; districts at Trinity. Girls' basketball ended February 18; successful season. Wrestling: 10 of 11 qualified for

state; 3rd place at districts. Upcoming sports: Track (March Baseball (March 17

Boys' golf coach position advertiséd.

Junior High and High School academic competitions scheduled. Buses undergoing maintenance. Business Manager Update: Identifying ACH accounts; issue

due to missing documentation for 2024 fiscal year. NDPhit supports mandatory re-

porting via Bswift. W-2s sent January 13; state and

federal reporting completed. Attending Software Unlimited training February 25-27. Committee Reports:

Finance Committee: No updates; CD accounts reviewed. Co-Op Committee: Discussed practice schedules with Scran-

Policy Committee: Reviewing policies for updates; major review last conducted in 2018. Building Committee: Identified priority projects:

South side cement, science lab, Door C entrance, north sidewalks

Additional needs: lockers, ceil-

tiles, gym floor renovation (current floor from 1984; estimated replacement cost: \$100,000)

Unfinished Business: May 2024 - January 2025 Financial Report: Postponed. Motion by Clausen, seconded by Christman. Motion carried

unanimously. Trademark Logo: Approval pro-

cess for NightHawk logos use established; requires superintendent's approval for any group outside of the school. Motion by Kilzer, seconded by Clausen. Motion carried unanimously.

Teacher Negotiations: Minimal changes from previous years from the conference. Emphasis on understanding costs beyond salaries.

New Business:

First Reading of Policy FDB: Motion to approve by Clausen, seconded by Christman. Motion

carried unanimously.
Recognition of Representative Organization Pursuant to NDCC Section 15.1-16-10, the Hettinger Education Association requests that the School Board recognize as an appropriate negotiating unit all employees li-censed to teach by the ESPB or approved to teach by the ESPB and employed by the School Board primarily as classroom teachers

Board Determination of Appropriate Negotiating Unit: Pursuant to NDCC Section 15.1-16-10, the Board of Hettinger School District recognizes as the appropriate negotiating unit all employees licensed to teach by the ESPB or approved to teach by the ESPB and employed primarily as classroom teachers. Motioned by Kilzer, Christman seconded all were in

favor unanimously.
Recognition of Representative Organization Pursuant to NDCC Section 15.1-16-1, the Hettinger Education Association requests that the School Board recognize the Association as the representative organization of all licensed or approved teachers who are employed primarily as classroom teachers for the purpose of negotiating. Evidence that the Association represents the majority of licensed or approved teachers included in the appropriate negotiating unit is attached in the form of list of teachers' signatures. Board Notice of Intent to Consid-

er Petition of Representative Organization: The School Board, having accepted the description of an appropriate negotiating unit, has on file a dated petition from the Hettinger Education Association, which contends that it represents a majority of teachers within the negotiating unit. This notice, which is posted in every school district, announces that the Board will meet on March 3, 2025, to consider the petition and determine the question of representation. The School Board, having accepted the Motion by Kilzer, seconded by Christman. Motion

carried unanimously.
Superintendent Evaluation: Approved. Motion by Kilzer, seconded by Christman. Motion carried unanimously.

2025-2026 Calendar Approval: Motion by Kilzer, seconded by Clausen. Motion carried unanimously.

School Board Election Protocol: Kilzer moves to hold school board election June 10th at Hettinger Public School, Clausen seconded all were in favor unanimously

Kilzer Moved to instruct Business Manager to publish notice of candidate filing deadline in official newspaper and other appropriate media, Clausen seconded all were in favor unaniRetirement Letter: Mrs. Arndorfer's retirement as of May 16, 2025 approved. Motion by Clausen, seconded by Kilzer. Motion carried unanimously.

Reduction in Force and Nonrenewal Procedures: Kilzer moves to instruct superintendent to investigate pupil/staff data as well as other areas of inefficiencies, and report to board any reduction in force and nonrenewal recommendations Clausen seconded all were in favor unani-

Executive Session for Teacher Negotiations:

At this time there was no need to go into the executive session. Special March 3, 2025 at 8:30 AM via phone.

Next Regular Meeting: March 19, 2025, at 6:00 PM in the Board Room.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 PM by Kilzer, seconded by Christman. Motion carried unanimously. Attest:

Kira Henderson, Administrative Assistant Kortney Kindsfater, President

Adjournment:

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

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https://www.dot.nd.gov/business/bidinfo.htm approximately 30 minutes after bids are opened.

The proposal forms, plans, and specifications are available on the NDDOT website at

http://www.dot.nd.gov and may be inspected at the Construction Services Division, 608 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, North Dakota.

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Prequalification request to the Department at least ten (10) business days prior to the bid opening. The online application can be found on the NDDOT website at

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Requested by: Ronald J. Henke, P.E., Director North Dakota Department of Transportation

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McIntyre and Scott W. Hagen, Petitioners Probate No. 01-2025-PR-

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ADAMS COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of the Estate of John W. Hagen, Deceased.

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FORMAL PROBATE OF WILL AND APPOINTMENT OF CO-PER-SONAL REPRESENTATIVES

NOTICE IS GIVEN that Tamara Jo McIntyre and Scott W. Hagen have filed a Petition for Formal Probate of Will and Appointment of Co-Personal Representatives with the District Court of Adams County, North Dakota, a copy of which is on file with the Court. A hearing upon said petition will be held on the 1st day of May, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. MDT, in the Courtroom of Adams County

District Court, at the Adams County Courthouse, in Hettinger, North Dakota, at which objections to said petition will be heard. Any persons having an interest may file an objection stating why said Petition should not be granted. Such objections, if any, must be in writing, filed with the Court and copies served by mail on all interested Dated this 31st day of March,

2025 /s/ Brandon M. Erickson Brandon M. Erickson

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# **CITY OF HETTINGER**

**Council Proceedings** 

Minutes published prior to Governing Body's Review and Revision OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE HETTINGER CITY COUNCIL HETTINGER, NORTH DAKOTA

MARCH 28, 2025 The Hettinger City Council met in special session at 8:30 AM via phone conference. Members present were: Parrill, Gaylord, and Burwick

Vice President, David Parrill called the meeting to order at 8:30 am

Council Member Burwick moved to approve the agenda as presented, second by Council Member Gaylord and by unanimous vote; motion carried.

SUZIE'S LLC BEER & LIQUOR LICENSE: Council Member Burwick moved to approve the new beer and liquor license application submitted for the remainder of the 2025 year at a new location for Lot 12 Block 12 Original Hettinger City, second by Council Member Gaylord, and by unanimous vote; motion carried. Council Member Gaylord moved to adjourn, second by Council Member Burwick. Council Vice President Parrill declared the meeting adjourned at 8:37 am. James Lindquist, Mayor

Krista Faller, City Auditor

Pub. April 3, 2025

# **MEETING NOTICE**

Gilstrap Township Equalization Meeting will be held on April 14th at 6PM at Kim Seamands residence.

## **ADAMS COUNTY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

The Adams County Highway Department is accepting applications for a Part-time Office Manager and is based out of the of the Adams County Highway Shop in Hettinger All applicants must sign the Drug Testing Release form (SFN 50098) and Adams County will contact current and previous employers (with in the past two years). The application and a job description may be picked up at the Auditor/Treasurer's office in the Adams County Courthouse, 602 Adams Ave, Hettinger ND 58639. Applications are also available on the Adams County

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