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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
March 19, 2025

Call to Order	Mr. Dyes called the regular meeting of the Heritage Southwest Intermediate School District Board of Education to order at 10:00 a.m. in Conference Room #1 of the Administrative Services Center on Wednesday, March 19. 2025.
Roll Call	Members present: Ms. Cripe, Mr. Dyes, Mr. Ross, Ms. Dodd Members absent: Mr. Garber Administrators Present: Mr. Hubbard, Mr. Jasper, Ms. Butchbaker, Ms. Wimberley, Mr. Townsley, Mr. Vaughn
Declaration of a Quorum	Mr. Dyes declared a quorum of the Board.
Pledge to the Flag	Pledge to the Flag was recited.
Approval of Agenda	Moved by Mr. Ross, supported by Ms. Dodd, to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
Communi-cations to the Board	Captains of the Month for Encouragement Brookside: April Kadlec, Ann Pinard, teacher. April received an award.
Communi-cations from the Audience	Darren Brownlee spoke to the Board pertaining to his GSRP student at Patrick Hamilton Elementary.
Presentations	Special Education Update Staff member, Tina Wimberley, gave the Board a handout and recapped program updates. Instructional Services Update Staff members; Josh Townsley, Karen Thornburg, and Sara Newton, gave the Board a handout on "Uncovering the Logic of English" and discussed working with local district staff on topic.
Approval of Minutes	Moved by Ms. Cripe, supported by Mr. Ross, to approve the minutes of February 19, 2025 as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
Treasurer's Report	Moved by Mr. Ross, supported by Ms. Dodd, to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
Payment of Bills	Moved by Mr. Ross, supported by Ms. Cripe, that the Board of Education hereby approves payment of bills which includes General Fund totaling $101,604.46 and Special Ed Fund totaling $489,926.80. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Mr. Dyes, Ms. Dodd, Mr. Ross, Ms. Cripe Nays: None All in favor. Motion carried.
2024-2025 Budget Amendment	Moved by Ms. Cripe, supported by Mr. Ross, that the Board of Education adopt the 2024-2025 Budget Amendments as presented and that the special details of these Budget Amendments be kept on file in the superintendent's office. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Ms. Dodd, Mr. Dyes, Ms. Cripe, Mr. Ross Nays: None All in favor. Motion carried.
Employee Tuition Assistance Program Contract	Moved by Ms. Dodd, supported by Mr. Ross, that the Board of Education approve the Employee Tuition Assistance Program Contract between HSISD and Natasha Holesinger. Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Ms. Cripe, Mr. Dyes, Mr. Ross, Ms. Dodd Nays: None All in favor. Motion carried.

Vehicle Purchases

Moved by Ms. Cripe, supported by Mr. Ross, that the Board of Education accept the bid from Superior Van & Mobility for two (2) 2025 Ford Transit Vans for a cost of $164,744.
Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Ms. Dodd, Ms. Cripe, Mr. Dyes, Mr. Ross
Nays: None
All in favor. Motion carried.
Moved by Mr. Ross, supported by Ms. Dodd, that the Board of Education accept the bid from Campbell Ford for a 2024 Pickup with plow for a cost of $59,246.20.
Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Mr. Dyes, Ms. Dodd, Ms. Cripe, Mr. Ross
Nays: None
All in favor. Motion carried.

Closed Session

Moved by Mr. Ross, supported by Ms. Dodd, that the Board of Education adjourn to Closed Session at 11:00 a.m. under Sec.8.1 (C) of the Open Meetings Act, for the purpose of strategy and negotiation sessions connected with a collective bargaining agreement.
Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Mr. Ross, Ms. Cripe, Mr. Dyes, Ms. Dodd
Nays: None
All in favor. Motion carried.
Moved by Mr. Ross, supported by Ms. Dodd, that the Board of Education adjourn to Open Session at 11:50 a.m.
Roll Call Vote. Ayes: 4-0
All in favor. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Moved by Ms. Dodd, supported by Ms. Cripe, to adjourn at 11:51 a.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Debra Cripe
Secretary

These minutes are subject to board approval.