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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
April 16, 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, April 16, 2025.

Roll Call
Members present: Ms. Cripe, Mr. Dyes, Mr. Ross, Ms. Dodd
Members absent: Mr. Garber
Administrators Present: Mr. Hubbard, Ms. Butchbaker, Mr. Jasper

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.

Communications to the Board
Captains of the Month for Accepting
Brookside: Calvin Bosworth, Pam Sova, teacher; and Kenji Pav, Lindsey Yoder, teacher. Each received an award.

Communication from the Audience
Public Input for Human Growth and Development Curriculum
Staff member, Molly High, along with staff and members of the Advisory Board presented a handout and discussed the curriculum guide.

Presentations
Project Impact
Staff member, Carrie Rabbitt, along with staff and parents presented a handout and discussed Parent Training Series.
CTE and Post Secondary Update
Staff member, Jason Smith, presented handouts and discussed the "MiCareer Quest Cass County 2025" that will take place at SMC on May 13th for freshmen students.

Approval of Minutes — Moved by Ms. Cripe, supported by Mr. Ross, to approve the March 19, 2025 Regular Meeting and Closed Session minutes as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report — Moved by Ms. Dodd, supported by Mr. Ross, 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 $327,202.10 and Special Ed Fund totaling $508,439.92.
Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Mr. Dyes, Ms. Dodd, Mr. Ross, Ms. Cripe
Nays: None
All in favor. Motion carried.

Hirings — Moved by Ms. Cripe, supported by Mr. Ross, that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Jordan Lozada, Annette Greenham, Logan High, and Megan Lehman upon appropriate unprofessional conduct review and criminal background check as recommended by the administration.
Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Ms. Dodd, Ms. Cripe, Mr. Dyes, Mr. Ross
Nays: None
All in favor. Motion carried.

1st Reading of Policies — Moved by Mr. Ross, supported by Ms. Dodd, that the Board of Education approve the 1st Reading of Volume 39 Number 2 Policies dated February 2025..
Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Ms. Cripe, Mr. Dyes, Mr. Ross, Ms. Dodd
Nays: None
All in favor. Motion carried.

Bus Camera Purchase — Moved by Ms. Cripe, supported by Ms. Dodd, that the Board of Education accept the bid from Midwest Transit Equipment for six (6) camera systems for our fleet of busses at a cost of $22,373.19.
Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Mr. Ross, Mr. Dyes, Ms. Cripe, Ms. Dodd
Nays: None
All in favor. Motion carried.

Insulin Litigation — Moved by Mr. Ross, supported by Ms. Cripe, that the Board of Education hereby decides to (1) withdraw from the nationwide insulin litigation, Case No. 2:23-md-03080 in the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey ("Litigation"), and (2) authorize the Superintendent or designee to take any action necessary to withdraw the Board from the Litigation.
Roll Call Vote. Ayes: Ms. Dodd, Mr. Dyes, Ms. Cripe, Mr. Ross
Nays: None
All in favor. Motion carried.

Adjournment — Moved by Ms. Dodd, supported by Ms. Cripe, to adjourn at 11:25 a.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Debra Cripe, Secretary

These minutes are subject to board approval.