

The Bismarck School Board met on December 8, 2025, in the Tom Baker Room of the City/County Office Building.

Board President Hager called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. President Hager requested that Darin Scherr, Business and Operations Manager, call the roll.

Members present: Josh Hager, Dan Eastgate, Jon Lee, Amanda Peterson, and Donnell Preskey.

Superintendent Fastnacht led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Hager asked for any additions, deletions, or changes to the Agenda. It was moved by Ms. Preskey and seconded by Mr. Eastgate to adopt the agenda as presented. Upon roll call vote, Eastgate, Lee, Peterson, Preskey, and Hager voted aye. Motion carried.

As the Focus on Success, Superintendent Fastnacht and Tomi Cimarosti, Director of Indigenous Education, acknowledged the indigenous team and the awards they have received this year. Donovan Lambert received the Johnson O'Malley, JOM, Exemplary Educator of the Year and the Indigenous Education Department received the JOM Program of the Year.

As the second Focus on Success, Mindy Piatz, Brady Martz & Associates, presented the FY 25 Financial Audit.

President Hager announced the time for public appearances. There were no public comments.

Dr. Darin Scherr presented the OE-6 *Financial Administration* monitoring report. It was moved by Mr. Eastgate and seconded by Ms. Preskey to accept the monitoring report for Policy OE-6 *Financial Administration* as In Compliance. Upon roll call vote, Lee, Peterson, Preskey, Eastgate, and Hager voted aye. Motion carried.

Superintendent Fastnacht presented the OE-8 *Communicating with the Board* monitoring report. It was moved by Ms. Preskey and seconded by Mrs. Peterson to accept the monitoring report for Policy OE-8 *Communicating with the Board* as In Compliance. Upon roll call vote, Peterson, Preskey, Eastgate, Lee, and Hager voted aye. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed Governance Culture Policy GC-6 *Annual Work Plan*. Mr. Eastgate moved to retain GC-6 *Annual Work Plan* as presented, seconded by Mrs. Peterson. Upon roll call vote, Preskey, Eastgate, Lee, Peterson, and Hager voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Eastgate moved that the Board is In Compliance on Governance Culture Policy GC-6 *Annual Work Plan*, seconded by Ms. Preskey. Upon roll call vote, Eastgate, Lee, Peterson, Preskey, and Hager voted aye. Motion carried.

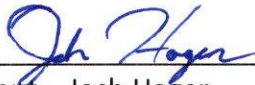
Ms. Preskey reported her visit to Horizon Middle School. Mr. Lee shared his visit to Highland Acres Elementary School.

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It was moved by Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Eastgate to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: the minutes of November 24, 2025, regular Board meeting; bus bid; new contracts; retirement; and the Superintendent contract. Upon roll call vote, Lee, Peterson, Preskey, Eastgate, and Hager voted aye. Motion carried.

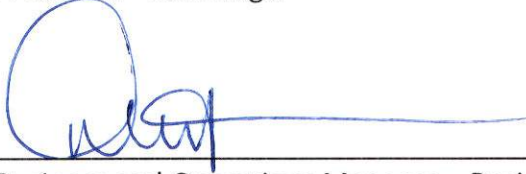
Dr. Darin Scherr reported on the mid-year budget projections.

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Hager adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m.



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President – Josh Hager



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Business and Operations Manager – Darin M. Scherr