HURON SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
ORGANIZATIONL MEETING

January 27, 2025

President, Scott Ferguson called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. in the Media Center at Huron High School.

Members present: Cox, Monte, Johnson, Town, Spicer, Roupe and Ferguson

Members absent: -0-

Pledge to the flag was given

Board Members Oath of Office: Judge Lisa Martin, from the 34th District Court, was in attendance to give the Oath of Office to the Board of Education members, Dana Town and Joshua Monte.

24/25-067. Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Roupe that the Board of Education approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting and Closed Session of December 17, 2024, as presented.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion carried

Public Concerns and Comments: There were no public concerns or comments

Communication: Lori Tavtigian talked about what an amazing job all of the Huron teachers, social workers, counselors, speech pathologists, interventionists, psychologists, and everyone that is part of the H.E.A. We are moving into a different time, where test scores may be measured, however all of these people help our students with mental, behavior, and emotional help. This is something that can not be scored.

24/25-068. Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Spicer, to appoint Donovan Rowe as temporary chairman until the President of the Board is elected, and Dana Town as temporary Secretary until the position of Secretary o the Board is elected.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion carried

24/25-069. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Town, to nominate Scott Ferguson as President of the Board of Education, through January 26, 2026.

There were no other nominations for President, therefore; Scott Ferguson will serve as Board President for the period of January 27, 2025 to January 26, 2026.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion carried

24/25-070. Moved by Town, seconded by Cox, to nominate Cory Roupe as the Vice President of the Board of Education, through January 26, 2026.

There were no other nominations for Vice President, therefore; Cory Roupe will serve as Board Vice President for the period of January 27, 2025 to January 26, 2026.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion carried

24/25-071. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Town, to nominate Jennifer Johnson as the Treasurer of the Board of Education, through January 26, 2026.

There were no other nominations for Treasurer, therefore; Jennifer Johnson will serve as Board Treasurer for the period of January 27, 2025 to January 26, 2026.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion carried

24/25-072. Moved by Johnson, seconded by Cox, to nominate Dana Town as the Secretary of the Board of Education, through January 26, 2026.

There were no other nominations for Secretary, therefore; Dana Town will serve as Board Secretary for the period of January 27, 2025 to January 26, 2026.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion carried

24/25-073. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Cox, that the Board of Education adopt the schedule for the Regular Board Meetings for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year, through January 26, 2026, as presented.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion carried

24/25-074. Moved by Cox, seconded by Johnson, that the Board of Education approve the recommendation from the Executive Director of Finance for banking and investment depositories for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year through January 26, 2026, as presented.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion carried

24/25-075. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Town, that the Board of Education continue to authorize the Secretary and the Treasurer of the Board to sign checks for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year, through January 26, 2026.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion carried

24/25-076. Moved by Town, seconded by Roupe, that the Board of Education approve the Resolution for Investment Authority for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year, through January 26, 2026, as presented.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion carried

24/25-077. Moved by Town, seconded by Cox, that the Board of Education continues to authorize the Secretary and the Treasurer of the Board to invest funds of the school district for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year, through January 26, 2026, as presented.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion carried

24/25-078. Moved by Johnson, seconded by Town, that the Board of Education use the Monroe Evening News as our official publication for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year, through January 26, 2026.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion carried

24/25-079. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Cox, that the Board of Education approve Foley & Robinette, P.C. as general counsel for Huron School District for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year, through January 26, 2026.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion carried

24/25-080. Moved by Johnson, seconded by Roupe, that the Board of Education approve Thrun Law Firm to handle elections and any future Durant Litigations for the Huron School District for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year, through January 26, 2026.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion carried

24/25-081. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Johnson, that the Board of Education approve Thrun Law Firm as bond and general counsel for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year, through January 26, 2026.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion carried

24/25-082. Moved by Cox, seconded by Johnson that the Board formally announce the final evaluation results for Superintendent, Donovan Rowe, as presented.

Dana Town read the statement from his evaluation results

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion carried

24/25-083. Moved by Town, seconded by Ferguson, that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Chandler Reddick, as the First Call Out Bus Driver, effective January 6, 2025, as presented.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion carried

24/25-084. Moved by Johnson, seconded by Town, that the Board of Education approve the updated Substitute Pay Scale, for the EDU Staff, Support Staff Employee scale, effective February 10, 2025, as presented.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion carried

24/25-085. Moved by Town, seconded by Roupe, that the Board of Education approve the Out of State Field Trip for the Huron High School Cosmetology student, to attend the Americas Beauty Show, in Rosemont, Illinois, from April 4, 2025 through April 7, 2025, as presented.

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion carried

24/25-086. Moved by Johnson, seconded by Ferguson, that the Board of Education approve the Account Payable totaling $5,801,033.39, as presented.

Roll Call Vote:	Cox, Monte, Johnson, Town, Spicer Roupe and Ferguson - - - AYES
	Motion carried
Investment Report	Note and File
Statement of Revenue/Expenditures	Note and File

24/25-087. Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Spicer, that the Board of Education accept the appointments to the subcommittees for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year, through January 26, 2026 as follows:

Policy Committee:	Dana Town, Aaron Cox, Josh Monte
Finance Committee:	Scott Ferguson, Dana Town, Jennifer Johnson
LDFA Committee:	Scott Ferguson, Donovan Rowe
Facilities Committee:	Cory Roupe, Julie Spicer, Aaron Cox
Strategic Planning Committee:	Cory Roupe, Jennifer Johnson, Josh Monte

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0 Motion carried

Comments from the Board of Education Members:

Monte – Thanked Mrs. Tavtigian for bringing the wellness of our students to the forefront.

Spicer – She appreciates all of the hard work our teachers do, and thanked Lori.

Cox – Thanked everyone for all of the Board Appreciation gifts. He echoed Josh and Julie's comments and stated that it takes a village to raise these kids and it starts in their classroom.

Johnson – Thanked all of the administrators and teachers for the support of all the students. She also thanked everyone for the appreciation gifts.

Roupe – Thanked everyone for all of their support and for having a hand in helping all of the students of Huron.

Town – She hopes that everyone had a nice break, and welcomed everyone back. The staff and students are the reason why we are all here. She thanked Mr. Rowe for everything and for all of the great things he does behind the scenes, that most people don't get the chance to see.

Ferguson – Echoed everyone's comments and reminded all of the students to sign in.

Superintendent's Comments:

Donovan thanked Lori for saying such kind words about our teachers and he thanked all of the students for coming, especially during Board Appreciation Month. He let everyone know that each and every Board member donates their "compensation", which goes into the "Board of Education Scholarship Fund".

24/25-088. Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Cox, that the meeting be adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion carried.