Ulen-Hitterdal ISD #914 Regular School Board Meeting Wednesday, March 12, 2025, 7:00 p.m. School Board Room

Board Members Present: Theis, Thordal, Braseth, Wibe-Bjerke, Jacob, Tweten, Amundson

Others Present: Ted Critchley, Dustin Flaten, Ryan Pahl

Chairperson Wibe-Bjerke called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Good News:

FFA week was held last week. Dr. Suess Week was held in the elementary. Swimming lessons have started with student chaperones assisting. The NHS Blood Drive was held on February 27 with 32 donors participating. The band/choir ensemble contest was held at MSUM yesterday. Students received 31-Superiors, 16-Excellents, and 2-Best of Day.

Amundson/Braseth/7-0 to approve the minutes of the 2/12/25 Regular School Board Meeting. **Tweten/Braseth/7-0** to approve claims and liquid asset transfers as presented.

Reports:

ECFE/Comm Ed: Thordal Negotiations: Braseth

Dean Students Report:

Ted Critchley discussed the cell phone policy with the board. There will be early dismissal on March 27 for PTC's and March 28 will be a teacher's workshop day. An elementary knowledge bowl contest will be held on Friday at Ada. Students will be having a spring clean-up day in May. Sr. High Knowledge Bowl will compete in Region competition on March 18 at Fergus Falls.

AD Report:

Girls basketball ended their season 3-24. Brenna Olson received All Conference. Boys basketball ended their season 13-15. Track and field has 4-7th graders, 5-8th graders, 6-9th graders 2-10th graders, 2-11th graders and 2-12th graders participating at this time. Softball has 3-7th graders, 6-8th graders, 6-9th graders, 7-10th graders, 8-11th graders, and 6-12th graders participating at this time. 9-12 grade baseball practice has started with arm conditioning.

Superintendent's Report:

Work on the 2025-2026 Preliminary Budget will start. Curriculum updates for 2025-2026 science and health were discussed. WIDA and MCA testing have been scheduled. ACT testing will be held in-house. Metal siding on the school building is almost done. There will be a construction planning meeting held tomorrow.

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Action Agenda:

Braseth/Amundson/7-0 to approve the agenda with one addition.

Amundson/Braseth/7-0 to approve the cell phone policy as presented by Ted Critchley.

Theis/Braseth/7-0 to approve the overnight baseball trip to the Twin Cities.

Braseth/Thordal/7-0 to approve the 2025-2026 school calendar.

Tweten/Jacob/7-0 to approve the resignation of Vincent Olson from his Indian Education Director Position effective immediately.

Theis/Braseth/7-0 to approve the resignation of Isaac Hendricks from his evening custodial position, effective March 14, 2025.

Amundson/Tweten/7-0 to approve the Separation Agreement for Kristina Haugen effective March 13, 2025.

Upcoming Meetings and Special Events:

Regular School Board Meeting-Wednesday, April 9, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Laura Tweten, Board Clerk

Joy Green, Board Secretary

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