

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of  
The Board of Directors of the Ogden Community School District  
November 11, 2024

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Ogden Board of Education held a regular board meeting Monday, November 11, 2024 in the Middle & High School Library. Members present included Pete Bergstrom, Kelly Merritt, Earl Taylor, Pete Thomsen and Matt Van Sickle. The meeting was called to order by President Van Sickle at 6:30pm. Others present were Superintendent Joshua Heyer, Board Secretary Melissa Atwell, Principals Amy Krause and Derek Carlson, and 37 guests.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Bergstrom moved to approve the agenda. Thomsen seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**PRESENTATIONS, CELEBRATIONS & REPORTS**

Students from the 6<sup>th</sup> grade leadership exploratory class presented what it means to be a Bulldog.

Students Bailey Dodd and Jayne Venard shared their experiences and knowledge gained at the FCCLA Fall Leadership Institute at Disneyland and thanked the board for their approval of the trip.

Principals provided updates on parent/teacher conferences, special student activities and accomplishments, and ongoing staff learning.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

October 14 regular meetings minutes  
Monthly bills and financial reports as presented  
New Hires-  
Charles Pattee, Bus Driver  
Earl Taylor, Substitute Bus Driver (pending DOT physical)  
Reed Smith, Mentor, \$1000  
Heather Craighton, Wrestling Cheer, \$2179.65  
Transfers-  
Scott Church, HS Asst Baseball to HS Head Baseball, \$5035  
Tyler Wisecup, Bus Driver to Sub Bus Driver  
Fundraiser Requests-  
CMS Club, gift wrapping at Christmas on Main  
Student Council, blue crew t-shirts for athletic events  
Girls Basketball, tumblers or food products

Merritt moved to approve the consent agenda. Thomsen seconded. Motion carried 4-0, with Taylor abstaining.

**ACTION ITEMS**

Flexibility Fund Transfer  
Iowa Code grants flexibility to school districts for how unexpended, unobligated amounts for certain categorical funds can be used through the utilization of a Flexibility Account within the general fund. Bergstrom moved to transfer \$30,000 homeschool assistance, \$140,000 teacher leadership, and \$20,450 professional development carryforward/excess funds from fiscal year 2024 to the flexibility fund and to set a public hearing date for December 9, 2024 at 6:30pm to expend the \$190,450 flexibility funds to be used for any general fund purpose. Thomsen seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Facility Master Plan Proposal

On the recommendation from the facilities sub-committee, Supt. Heyer worked with FRK Architects + Engineers to secure a facility master planning proposal. John Darveau from FRK was present to answer questions from the board, emphasizing their work focuses on planning for the educational future of the district. Thomsen moved to approve the facility master plan proposal from FRK Architects + Engineers for \$19,970. Merritt seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

### Civil Engineering Proposal

The board and community have both identified parking and traffic flow at the Middle/High School as an area of needed improvement. Supt. Heyer presented a civil engineer proposal from Bishop Engineering for site work, design, and potential construction administration to address these issues. The board reviewed potential funding and current parking shortfalls. Bergstrom moved to approve the first two sections of the civil engineering proposal, relating to site surveying, at the prices listed from Bishop Engineering with the scope of the planning area expanded to include the green spaces south/southeast of the main parking lot. Thomsen seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

### Baseball/Softball Re-Leveling Bids

Thomsen moved to approve the baseball and softball regrading & leveling and softball base anchoring bid from Iowa Sports Turf Management for \$16,750. Merritt seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

### Policy Review

The board began their review of the 700-900 series. Bergstrom moved to approve the first and final reading of policies 701.5, 701.5R1, 702, 704.2, 704.4 and 704.5 and the first reading of updated policies 703.1, 704.2R1, and 704.3. Taylor seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

### **COMMUNICATIONS, DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS**

Student Lydia Longhorn thanked the board for approving the CMS Club fundraiser, sharing the groups goals to fund their aquaponics project and connect the with community.

The board calendar was reviewed.

Supt. Heyer discussed forthcoming changes to the presentation of Iowa School Profile data.

### **ADJOURN**

There was no further business to come before the board for consideration. Merritt moved to adjourn. Thomsen seconded. Motion carried 5-0. President Van Sickle adjourned the meeting at 8:03pm. Reports, documents and full text of motions, resolutions or policies considered at this meeting are on file in the Board Secretary's Office.

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Matt Van Sickle, President

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Melissa Atwell, Secretary