

Minutes of the January 13, 2025 Regular Board Meeting

The regular meeting was called to order at 8:30 p.m. by Vice-President Baumgart with members: Meyer, Huettner, Vering, Korth, Brandl, Schemek, Herchenbach and Preister present.

Open meetings act is posted in the Humphrey Public School library.

The meeting was legally advertised for public notice in the Humphrey Democrat on January 1, 2025.

Visitors present: Patrick Murphy - Humphrey Democrat and Jim Zieg – Cerris Systems.

During public comment time there were no visitors who wanted to speak.

Tim Meyer was recognized and thanked for his 10 years of service as a District 67 board member. He was presented with a plaque.

Payton Sell was sworn in as a new board member and completed his Oath of Office.

Vice-President turned the meeting over to Superintendent King for the 2025 school board reorganization and election of officers. The members elected will serve for one year.

Jenny Baumgart was nominated for President by Schemek. Aaron Korth was nominated by Jenny Baumgart. There were no other nominations. Individual ballots were handed out and collected. After counting ballots, Aaron Korth was elected president by a 5-4 vote.

Superintendent King turned the meeting back over to President Korth who continued with the election of the other officers.

Paul Schemek was nominated for Vice-President by Baumgart. No other nominations were made. It was moved by Preister to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Paul Schemek as the 2025 Board Vice-President, seconded by Vering. ROLL CALL VOTE: Sell, YES; Huettner, YES; Vering, YES; Herchenbach, YES; Brandl, YES; Schemek, ABSTAIN; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES; Korth, YES.

- Motion Carried
 - 8 – YES
 - 0 – NO
 - 1 – ABSTAIN
 - 0 – ABSENT

Julie Preister was nominated for Secretary by Schemek. No other nominations were made. It was moved by Baumgart to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Julie Preister as the 2025 Board Secretary, seconded by Huettner. ROLL CALL VOTE: Sell, YES; Huettner, YES; Vering, YES; Herchenbach, YES; Brandl, YES; Schemek, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, ABSTAIN; Korth, YES.

- Motion Carried
 - 8 – YES
 - 0 – NO
 - 1 – ABSTAIN
 - 0 – ABSENT

Mike Brandl was nominated for Treasurer by Preister. No other nominations were made. It was moved by Baumgart to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Mike Brandl as the 2025 Board Treasurer, seconded by Schemek. ROLL CALL VOTE: Sell, YES; Huettner, YES; Vering, YES; Herchenbach, YES; Brandl, ABSTAIN; Schemek, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES; Korth, YES.

- Motion Carried
 - 8 – YES
 - 0 – NO
 - 1 – ABSTAIN
 - 0 – ABSENT

The Humphrey Democrat was designated as the official newspaper.

Bank of the Valley in Humphrey was designated as the bank depository.

Justin Knight from Perry, Guthery, Haase, & Gessford Law Firm was designated as the district's attorney.

It was discussed approving an additional committee at the February meeting to establish a Bond Committee.

President Korth appointed the board members to the following committees for 2025:

- Negotiations
 - Jenny Baumgart
 - Julie Preister
 - Paul Schemek
 - Aaron Korth
- Curriculum, Americanism and Staff Relations
 - Kory Vering
 - Jenny Baumgart
 - Julie Preister
- Transportation / Facilities
 - Kory Vering
 - Mike Brandl
 - Alan Huettner
 - Kevin Herchenbach
- Budget & Policy
 - Payton Sell
 - Aaron Korth
- Safety & Wellness
 - All Board Members
- Humphrey/Lindsay Academy Cooperative
 - Julie Preister
 - Mike Brandl
 - Aaron Korth
 - Kory Vering
- Pool Interlocal Agreement Representatives (Non-Voting)
 - Payton Sell
 - Kory Vering

Superintendent King was authorized to act on behalf of the Board of Education of Humphrey Public Schools when making applications and requesting reimbursement of all State and Federal Programs.

The minutes from the December 9, 2024 regular board meeting were reviewed. The minutes will stand as written.

The January financial report was reviewed by the board.

It was moved by Schemek and seconded by Brandl to approve the January general fund and special building bills and claims as presented to the Board of Education. ROLL CALL VOTE: Sell, YES; Huettner, YES; Vering, YES; Herchenbach, YES; Brandl, YES; Schemek, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES; Korth, YES.

- Motion Carried
 - 9 – YES
 - 0 – NO
 - 0 – ABSTAIN
 - 0 – ABSENT

Robby Heesacker, along with Jim Zieg from Cerris Systems explained about the school heat exchanger and water heater and answered questions from the board. The board will consider project approval at the February meeting.

Secondary Principal Report – College Course Enrollement, CNA (Certified Nursing Assistant) partnership with Leigh Community Schools, FCCLA District STAR, National Honor Society Induction, FFA District Career Development Day, Professional Development, Winter Activities.

Elementary Principal Report – School Improvement, Parent/Teacher Conferences, Spring Assessments, PK/K Round Up.

Superintendent Report – Legislative Session, Kitchen Equipment Assistance Grant, ESU 7 PD Day, Lighting Project, Americanism Committee, Spring NRCSA Conference, 2025-2026 School Calendar, Table Saw, Gym Floor, City Council Meeting.

It was moved by Baumgart and seconded by Huettner to approve the 2023-2024 Annual Report according to Policy #1040 as presented to the Board of Education. ROLL CALL VOTE: Sell, YES; Huettner, YES; Vering, YES; Herchenbach, YES; Brandl, YES; Schemek, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES; Korth, YES.

- Motion Carried
 - 9 – YES
 - 0 – NO
 - 0 – ABSTAIN
 - 0 – ABSENT

It was moved by Vering and seconded by Baumgart to go into closed session of the board at 9:39p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel and staff negotiations. ROLL CALL VOTE: Sell, YES; Huettner, YES; Vering, YES; Herchenbach, YES; Brandl, YES; Schemek, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES; Korth, YES.

- Motion Carried
 - 9 – YES
 - 0 – NO
 - 0 – ABSTAIN
 - 0 – ABSENT

It was moved by Schemek and seconded by Baumgart to come out of closed session at 10:07p.m.
ROLL CALL VOTE: Sell, YES; Huettner, YES; Vering, YES; Herchenbach, YES; Brandl, YES;
Schemek, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES; Korth, YES.

- Motion Carried
 - 9 – YES
 - 0 – NO
 - 0 – ABSTAIN
 - 0 – ABSENT

The next regular school board meeting date is Monday, February 10, 2025 @ 7:30p.m.

It was moved by Huettner and seconded by Baumgart to adjourn the meeting at 10:08p.m. ROLL
CALL VOTE: Sell, YES; Huettner, YES; Vering, YES; Herchenbach, YES; Brandl, YES; Schemek,
YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES; Korth, YES.

- Motion Carried
 - 9 – YES
 - 0 – NO
 - 0 – ABSTAIN
 - 0 – ABSENT

Julie Preister, Board Secretary