

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

July 21, 2025

### I. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Hale Area Schools Board of Education was called to order by Vice-President Reilly at 6:00 pm.

Present: Cryderman, Shellenbarger, Reilly, Sheldon, Lynch, & Olmstead  
Absent-Members: 1 - Spaw  
Guests in Attendance: 2

### II. Pledge of Allegiance

### III. Mission, Vision and Belief Statement

### IV. Additions/deletions/corrections of agenda items: None

### V. Guest Comments - Members of the public may address the board at this time: None

### VI. Reports to the Board

A. **Principal's Report:** Mrs. Griffin shared that she has been getting her office situated and has met some of the staff & students. She has been working with Mr. Yorke to organize a meet and greet for August 5th.

B. **Business Manager's Report:** included in the Superintendent's Report.

C. **Superintendent's Report:** Mr. Yorke provided details on the upcoming C.T.E. millage renewal, recent parapro interviews & anticipated timelines of seal-coating & playground projects. He shared that we have joined Develope Iosco, provided information on required price increases in food service, and highlighted some upcoming replacement/repair needs for interior doors & roof flashing.

### VII. Action Items

#### A. Consent Agenda

At the recommendation of Mr. Yorke, a motion was made by Olmstead, supported by Lynch to approve the consent agenda dated July 21, 2025 as presented.

**Roll call:** 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent; motion carried

#### B. Language Arts Teacher - Rudy Frank

At the recommendation of Mr. Yorke, a motion was made by Cryderman supported by Shellenbarger to approve the hire of Rudy Frank for the 6-12 Language Arts position at a salary of \$50,000, where he will stay until he meets this monetary threshold on Schedule B of the HFT Agreement. Discussion occurred.

**Roll call:** 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent; motion carried

#### C. Purchase Orders

At the recommendation of Mr. Yorke, a motion was made by Cryderman supported by Sheldon to designate the district's Superintendent, Business Manager and Principal as those authorized to sign purchase orders. Discussion occurred.

**Roll call:** 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent; motion carried

## VIII. Discussion

- A. **Sinking Fund** A discussion occurred regarding the recent failed attempts at a sinking fund and ongoing building upkeep/repair/maintenance needs. A new list will be put together for potential inclusion in the 2026 election.
- B. **IRESA Career and Technical Education (CTE) Renewal** Mr. Yorke elaborated on his initial report to the Board, highlighting the benefits of the CTE program for our students as well as the high utilization of the program by the District
- C. **Neola vs. Thrun Policy** With MASB's recent policy endorsement shifting from Neola to Thrun; a discussion occurred regarding the feasibility of switching over, including cost, implementation, web delivery platform/method, and timelines. Information has been received and is under review, and there will be a call set-up for Q&A.

IX. **Board Comments:** Reilly stated that asking voters again for a sinking fund is a great idea; Olmstead agreed, commenting on the benefit to the District; Lynch is interested in the state budget; Cryderman welcomed Mr. Frank. Sheldon & Shellenbarger had no comment.

## X. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Sheldon, supported by Shellenbarger that the meeting be adjourned.

**Roll call:** 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent; motion carried

Meeting Adjourned at 6:40 pm



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Cindy Sheldon, Secretary

**Hale Area Schools  
Consent Agenda  
July 21, 2025**

A. Approval of Minutes

- June 23, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

B. Approval of Bills

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| • General Fund     | \$745,207.64 |
| • Food Service     | \$ 30,610.78 |
| • Athletics        | \$ 2,670.86  |
| • Student Activity | \$ 5,500.78  |