

MINUTES  
OLDHAM-RAMONA-RUTLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT 39-6  
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
Monday, February 9th, 2026 at 5:30 pm  
Rutland Medica Center

The regular meeting of the Oldham-Ramona-Rutland School Board was held Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026 in the Media Center at Rutland Site. President Hageman called the meeting of the Oldham-Ramona-Rutland School Board to order at 5:30p.m. Members present were: Lori Hyland, Brooke Albertson, Amber Malisch, and Carrie Schiernbeck; absent-none; quorum was declared. Also, present were Superintendent Dawn Hoeke, Principal Carly Chambers, Interim Business Manager Tami Koppang, and Community Members. Zac Zwaschka-Madison Daily Leader arrived during the AD's report.

Board President Hageman lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public forum was held. No Public comments.

**Item #154** Motion by Hyland, second by Schiernbeck to approve to the agenda with following amendments:

Add as Item VI – Approve the January 12<sup>th</sup>, Regular Board Minutes and the January 28<sup>th</sup> Special Board Minutes; accept the Business Managers Financial Reports, and approve the Bills submitted for consideration; and any updates. Remove Item C under Item VII and adjust item numbers accordingly. Add Item to Accept Superintendent's Resignation, Add Executive Session – According to SDCL 1-25-2-(1) Discuss Personal; Add action item following Executive Session. All voted aye, motion carried.

President Hageman called for any Conflicts of Disclosure; there was none disclosed.

**Item #155** Motion by Hyland second by Malisch to approve the published minutes for January 12<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting, and January 28<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting with the following corrections: Items renumbered starting with #145 through #153 and the addition of the following appointments to the Litigation Committee by President Hageman: Amber Malisch, Dawn Hoeke, and Lance Hageman; approve the February claims as presented; and to accept the January financial reports as submitted by the Business Manager. No further discussion, all voted aye, motion carried.

**January 2026 Financial Report**

GENERAL FUND: Beginning Balance \$1,176,577.52; Total Receipts \$94,581.69; Total Disbursements \$220,724.86; Ending Balance \$1,050,434.35

CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND: Beginning Balance \$3,096,641.06; Total Receipts \$11,839.46; Total Disbursements \$3,987.68; Ending Balance \$3,104,492.84

SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND: Beginning Balance \$651,430.55; Total Receipts \$5,440.56; Total Disbursements \$53,650.15; Ending Balance \$603,220.96

FOOD SERVICE FUND: Beginning Balance (\$5,171.88); Total Receipts \$11,390.63; Total Disbursements \$10,074.91; Ending Balance (3,856.16)

PRE-SCHOOL-DRIVERS ED FUND: Beginning Balance \$47,862.85; Total Receipts \$410.00; Total Disbursements \$3,109.23; Ending Balance \$45,163.62

SCHOLARSHIPS FUND: Beginning Balance \$27,365.12; Total Receipts \$0.00; Total Disbursements \$0; Ending Balance \$27,365.12

CUSTODIAL ACCOUNTS: Beginning Balance \$56,826.39; Total Receipts \$6,560.35; Total Disbursements \$11,275.83; Ending Balance \$52,110.91

## **February 9th Board Claims**

### **GENERAL FUND**

Access Systems, Phone Services-January-548.26; Alliance Communications, Service at Ramona Site-Fire Alarm-38.00; Amazon Capital Services, Office & Classroom Supp.-380.65; ASBSD, Webinar Fees-50.00; Barnes & Noble Bookseller, Books -Believe in Reading Grant-27.18 Big Sioux Community Water System, Water Service@Rutland-210.00; BMO Bank Credit Card, Registration Fees, Instructional, Office & Concession Supp.-718.70; Bud's Clean Up Service, Dumpster-315.70; The Bug Guy, 1 yr. Service for Rodent Control-600.00; Complete Septic Service, Sewer line cleaning-Rutland-275.00; Cox Alignment & Repair, Bus #5 Maint-212.78; F&M COOP Cenex, Vehicle & Bus Gas-2,057.32; Fastenal, Bldg.Supp-401.04; Foreman Sales & Service, Bus Parts-100.91; Home Service Water Condition, Monthly Softener Rental-Rutland-45.00; In Your Service, Business Office Services-7,538.80; ITC, Phone Service-Rutland-219.91; JCL Solutions, Bldg. Suppl.-872.55; JWPepper, Music Materials-306.53; KSB School Law, Legal Counsel-22,943.00; Madison Chiropractic Center, DOT Physical-100.00; Madison Daily Leader, Election Notices, & Legal Publications-235.64; Meierhenry, Sargent Legal Service, Recount Legal Advise & Service-2,762.50; MidAmerican Energy Company, Electricity Service -Ramona-1,943.48; Midwest Glass, Repair Door Gym-258.00; Northeast Educational Services, February Sp.Ed Services-64.44; ORR Imprest Fund, Reimb. for January Payments for Girls' & Boys' Basketball Officiating, & Staff Supplies-5,244.33; Ottetail Power, Electricity-Rutland-6,088.74; Performance Food Service, Concession supplies-784.37; Runnings Supply, BldgSupplies-96.44; Sunshine Foods- Donations-Thanksgiving Baskets-100.09; Themes & Variations, MusicPlay OnLine 1yr.Subscript-200.00; Time Management Systems, Monthly Subscription Fee-Time Clock-53.64; XCEL Energy, Electricity Service -Ramona-595.42. TOTAL General Fund: \$56,388.42

### **Capital Outlay Fund**

Amazon – Equipment-456.95; Century Business Products, Copier-Front Office-1,049.00; Co-op Architecture, Ramona Site Enclosure Project-16,667.00; Hausman Construction-Ramona Site Enclosure Project-December & January work-245,604.94; Josh Olson Electric-Building Repairs-Lighting-1,985.25 TOTAL Capital Outlay Fund: \$265,763.14

### **Special Education Fund**

BMO-Credit Card Service, Registration Fees-241.88; Northeast Educational Services, OT-PT-Pysch-Speech & Behavioral Services-February services-5,616.66; Teachwell Solutions, January 2026 PT/OT/Tuition Services-7,487.00 TOTAL Special Education Fund: \$13,345.54

### **Food Service**

East Side Jersey Dairy, Milk Products-613.80; Performance Food Service, Food& Kit. Supp.-3,716.05; Rames Enterprises-Equipment Maintenance-995.00; SD Department of Ed-Child and Adult Nutrition Services, Commodity Processing Service-252.72. TOTAL Food Service Fund: \$5,577.57

### **Scholarship Fund**

ORR Imprest Acct for payment to SDSU for C. Schneider scholarship award-TOTAL \$1,000.00

**GRAND TOTAL: \$342,074.67**

## **Item #156 REPORTS**

AD/Transportation Director-Jason Hanson submitted an update on the Girl's & Boy's Basketball season and their current seeding; also recognized the following ORR students: Brookelyn Reidel for receiving the "Player of the Game" for the DVC Classic game vs Lower Brule on Jan 24 and Brodie Albertson for receiving the "Player of the Game" for the DVC Classic game vs Lac Qui Parle Valley, MN on Jan 24. Also, Brynnlee Lingbeck was named player of the week this past week.

No new news on the transportation side of things except mini-bus got 4 new tires this morning.

Principal Chambers reported on the following: During National School Counselor's Week, we recognized Ms. Hinker for her exceptional dedication and ongoing support of ORR students, staff, and school operations. Junior Lydian Gilkerson was selected as South Dakota's representative for the EmPOWER Youth Program, earning an all-expense-paid leadership trip to Washington, D.C. through Sioux Valley Energy. January's ROCK SOLID Raider honorees were Samuel Castro (Elementary), January Olson (Middle School), and Madi Merager (High School) for their outstanding performance, attitude, and achievement. ORR's Fellowship of Christian Athletes raised \$602.01 to support Sutton and the Murphy family, demonstrating the generosity and compassion of our school community. ORR will celebrate National FFA Week (February 21-28) with themed dress-up days, activities, and fundraisers, including a penny war benefiting the Koster/Scheler family and a pancake breakfast supporting chapter expenses. Deputy Rowe presented a Digital Citizenship lesson focused on online responsibility, cyberbullying awareness, and internet safety for students. ACT testing is scheduled for March 10-11 during the district's selected testing window, with a practice session planned to help students prepare and reduce test-day anxiety. State testing windows for grades 3-8 have been established, with staff providing preparation opportunities and parent communication planned later this spring.

Superintendent Hoeke reported on the following: Certified staff will attend regional professional development in De Smet on February 13, with additional district PD scheduled for February 27. Legislative updates were shared from the SASD Delegate Assembly, including bills on capital outlay use, educator retention, and election procedures. The board will consider replacing a sub-basement heater at a cost of \$3,972, though installation may be delayed. Facilities updates include: restored gym lighting at the Ramona site, upcoming power work to return the bus barn to service, and pending materials to close an exterior wall. The district has also hired Reese Simpson as Business Manager, with transition training planned alongside outgoing manager Tami.

Minutes from the NESC Board meeting & Advisory Meeting minutes was included in the board information. Representative Schiernbeck reported on additional information: Medicaid distribution, contracts have been offered to Director and Business Manager, and they are searching for Administrative Assistant. There are changes going to be discussed regarding the structure of Board of Directors and location of the NESC Administrative office.

No other committee meetings were reported. It was suggested that those appointed to the Litigation Committee should be someone who had been named in both litigations. It was determined that those appointed were all named in both lawsuits.

**Item #156** Motion by Schiernbeck, second by Malisch to set the fee for Summer Driver's Education at \$300 for in-district students and \$350 for out-district students, same as last year; and agreed to hire Dawn Wiebers as Driver's Ed Instructor for a salary of \$27/hr. with 32 hours of classroom time, and 120hrs. driving with a cap of 20 students. All voted aye, motion carried

**Item #157** Motion by Hyland, second by Malisch to approve the 2026-27 SY Calendar as presented by presented by Superintendent with the approval the Teaching staff; with August 20<sup>th</sup> as 1<sup>st</sup> day of school and May 27<sup>th</sup> last day of school. Homecoming not yet set, Graduation set for May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2027. All voted aye, motion carried.

**Item #158** Motion by Albertson, second by Schiernbeck to approve the installation of heater in sub-basement. Discussion followed. Upon call for vote all voted aye, motion carried.

**Item #159** Motion by Malisch, second by Schiernbeck to approve the contract to Reece Simpson for Business Manager, effective February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026 through June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026; at the hourly rate \$35/hr for time after his current obligations 7:30am to 4pm; plus family health coverage. Second Contract to start

July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026 through June 30<sup>th</sup> 2027 as 90.5% Business Manager and 9.5% Instructional for a total salary of \$72,800.00 plus family health coverage. After discussion and upon call for vote, all voted aye, motion carried.

**Item #160** Superintendent Hoeke presented and verbally read her letter of resignation to be effective June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Motion by Hyland, with a heavy heart and note of appreciation for all that she has done for the staff, students and community of ORR School District through turbulent times these past three years; to accept the resignation of Supt. Hoeke, second by Schiernbeck. All voted aye, motion carried.

**Item #161** At 6:28 pm Hyland moved to go into executive session in accordance with SDCL 1-25-2(1) for personnel, second Schiernbeck; at 6:47 pm President Hageman declared the Board out of executive session.

**Item #162** Motion by Hyland, second by Malisch to direct the Superintendent to post Superintendent search on the ASBSD website and for President Hageman to contact Dakota Ed Consulting to get a quote on the cost to hire them to do the Superintendent search. All voted aye, motion carried.

**Item #163** Motion by Schiernbeck, second by Hyland to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 PM. All voted aye, motion carried.

Next regular School Board meeting is scheduled for March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at 5:30pm in Rutland Media Center.

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Lance Hageman  
President of the Board

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Tami Koppang  
Interim Business Manager

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