

**HURON SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES  
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING  
Due to Covid-19 Restrictions Meeting was Held Virtually  
January 25, 2021**

20/21-163. Superintendent, Donovan Rowe called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Virtually

Members present: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe, Spicer, and Town

Members absent: -0-

**Pledge to the flag was given**

**Board Members Oath of Office:** Judge Tina Brooks-Green, from the 34<sup>th</sup> District Court was in attendance virtually and gave the Oath of Office to the board of Education members, Jennifer Johnson, Julie Spicer, and Aaron Cox.

20/21-164. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Town that the Board of Education approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting of December 14, 2020, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - AYES

Motion carried

**Public Concerns and Comments:** Teacher, Kelly Estra-Chojnowski welcomed all of the new School Board members and thanked them for the service to the district.

Parent, Ben Ramsden, thanked the Board for the Pledge of Allegiance and expressed his concern for President Biden's plan to allow males to play in female sports.

Teacher, Michael Vial thanked the Board for the dedication to the students of Huron. He thanked Mr. Rowe for his safety measures that he has taken to ensure the safe return of our face to face students.

**Communications:** Mr. Rowe thanked the Board for their dedication to the students and explained that it is Board Appreciation Month. We all appreciate everything that the School Board does for everyone at every level.

20/21-165. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Town, to appoint Donovan Rowe as temporary chairman until the President of the Board is elected and Scott Ferguson as temporary Secretary until the position of Secretary of the Board is elected.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - AYES

Motion carried

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20/21-166. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Town to nominate Scott Ferguson as President of the Board of Education, through January 31, 2022.

There were no other nominations for President.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - AYES

By unanimous acclamation, Scott Ferguson is named President of the Board of Education, for the period of January 25, 2020 to January 31, 2022.

Motion carried.

20/21-167. Moved by Town, seconded by Ferguson to nominate Cory Roupe as Vice President of the Board of Education, through January 31, 2022.

There were no other nominations for Vice President.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - AYES

By unanimous acclamation, Cory Roupe is named Vice President of the Board of Education, for the period of January 25, 2021 to January 31, 2022.

Motion carried.

20/21-168. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Cornwall to nominate Dana Town as Secretary of the Board of Education, through January 31, 2022.

There were no other nominations for Secretary

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - AYES

By unanimous acclamation, Dana Town is named Secretary of the Board of Education, for the period of January 25, 2021 to January 31, 2022.

Motion carried

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20/21-169. Moved by Town, seconded by Ferguson to nominate Nathan Cornwall as Treasurer of the Board of Education, through January 31, 2022.

There were no other nominations for Treasurer.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - AYES

By unanimous acclamation, Nathan Cornwall is named Treasurer of the Board of Education, for the period of January 25, 2021 to January 31, 2022.

Motion carried

20/21-170. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Cornwall that the Board of Education adopt the schedule for Regular Board Meetings for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year through January 31, 2022, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - AYES

Motion carried

20/21-171. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Cornwall, that the Board of Education approve the Business Managers recommendation for banking and investment depositories for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year through January 31, 2021, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - AYES

Motion carried

20/21-172. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Cornwall, that the Board of Education continue to authorize the Secretary and the Treasurer of the Board to sign checks for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year through January 31, 2022.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - AYES

Motion carried

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20/21-173. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Cornwall, that the Board of Education approve the Resolution for Investment Authority for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year through January 31, 2022, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - - AYES

Motion carried

20/21-174. Moved by Town, seconded by Roupe, that the Board of Education continues to authorize the Secretary and the Treasurer of the Board to invest funds of the school district for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year through January 31, 2022.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - - AYES

Motion carried

20/21-175. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Town, that the Board of Education use the Monroe Evening News as our official publication for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year through January 31, 2022.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - - AYES

Motion carried

20/21-176. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Cornwall, that the Board of Education approve Foley & Robinette, P.C. as general counsel for Huron School District for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year through January 31, 2022.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - - AYES

Cox - - - Abstained (conflict of interest)

Motion carried

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20/21-177. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Town, that the Board of Education approve Thrun Law Firm to handle elections and any future Durant Litigations for the Huron School District for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year through January 31, 2022.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - AYES

Motion carried

20/21-178 Moved by Roupe, seconded by Town, that the Board of Education approve Thrun Law Firm as bond and general counsel for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year through January 31, 2022.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - AYES

Motion carried

20/21-179. Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Roupe, that the Board of Education approve the contract between the Downriver Career Technical Consortium and Barbara Ratusznik as the Perkins Secretary, effective January 4, 2021, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - AYES

Motion carried

20/21-180. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Town, that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Jaime Nickell-Daniel as the Shared-Time Teacher at St Johns and St Stephens, effective January 4, 2021, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - AYES

Motion carried

20/21-181. Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Town, , that the Board of Education approve the first reading of Board Policy #2260.01, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - AYES

Motion carried

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20/21-182. Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Town, that the Board of Education approve and re-confirm how instruction is going to be delivered during the 2020-2021 school year, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - - AYES

\*Cornwall wanted to make sure everyone knew that face to face is the goal for all students, while keeping them safe.

Motion carried

20/21-183. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Town, that the Board of Education approve the Bid Package3/Phase 3-Brown and Miller Elementary Schools as follows:

Building & Site Concrete	Gardner Corporation	\$338,000.00
Masonry	HMC Mason Contractors	\$641,670.00
Structural & Misc Steel	Davis Iron Works, Inc	\$179,900.00
General Trades	Stenco Construction	\$1,120,500.00
Roofing	Streng Construction Inc	\$1,930,000.00
Aluminum, Glass & Glazing	Blue Water Glass Inc	\$441,101.00
Soft Floor Coverings	Continental Contracting Co. LLC	\$56,000.00
Hard Tile	Empire Tile & Marble Co.	\$98,000.00
Painting	Continental Contracting Co. LLC	\$66,000.00
Fire Suppression	Absolute Fire Protection	\$17,491.00
Plumbing	PA Rush Plumbing & Htg Co Inc	\$281,280.00
Mechanical	Systemp Corporation	\$754,000.00
Electrical	Douglas Electric Co	\$1,518,520.00
Earthwork & Utilities	Asphalt Specialist Inc	\$774,000.00
Asphalt	Nagle Paving Co	<u>\$254,670.00</u>
	Total	\$8,471,132.00

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - - AYES

\*Rowe stated that it is possible that the Steel price could fluctuate \$3,000-4,000.

Motion carried

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20/21-184. Moved by Cornwall, seconded by Roupe, that the Board of Education approve the Accounts Payable totaling \$6,179,882.83, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - AYES

Motion carried

Investment Report: Note and File

Statement of Revenue and Expenditures: Note and File

There was a brief discussion of the Board member serving on subcommittees. The members agreed to serve on the following for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year through January 31, 2022:

Policy:	*Cornwall, Town, Johnson	*designates chair
Finance:	*Ferguson, Cornwall, Town	
LDFA:	Ferguson, Rowe (no chair)	
Facilities:	*Roupe, Spicer, Cox	
Bond/Strategic Planning	*Roupe, Johnson	

**Comments from the Board of Education members:**

Dana congratulated the new hire and Mrs. Curl on her retirement. She is looking forward to working with the new School Board.

Cory stated that it has been a pleasure working with the retired Board Members and he is looking forward to the new Board Members. His sincere prayers go out to the Dennis family.

Jennifer said that she is looking forward to working with everyone on the Board.

Julie is very excited to be here and get the ball rolling.

Aaron thanked the Board and Mr. Rowe for welcoming all of the New Board members. He looks forward to working with everyone.

Nate welcomed the new Board and the new hires. He reminded everyone that the Board is "Completely Committed to Kids!"

Scott welcomed all of the new Board members and can't wait to see everyone in person.

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**Superintendent's Comments:**

Mr. Rowe thanked everyone and reminded the Board of their upcoming Workshop. He also reminded them that Laura will be dropping off all of the Board Appreciation gifts to their homes, immediately following the meeting. He gave the most recent update on how Huron is trying to work with the Health Department in getting the staff that has expressed an interest in getting vaccinated for Covid-19.

20/21-185. Moved by Town, seconded by Roupe, that the meeting be adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Cornwall, Cox, Ferguson, Johnson, Roupe,  
Spicer, and Town - - - - AYES

Motion carried