HUSTISFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT Special Board of Education Meeting Minutes October 19, 2020

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by President John Bohonek at 6:30 pm.

II. Roll call of members

Board members signed the attendance roster at the start of the meeting. Members present: John Bohonek, Tracy Malterer, Lisa Bosse and Barb May. Steve Weinheimer was absent.

III. <u>Verification of public notice</u>: Heather Cramer, superintendent of schools, verified that the meeting was noticed to the public appropriately as required by S. 19.84 (1), (2), (3), & (4) Wis. Stats.

IV. Regular Agenda Approval

A motion was made by Lisa Bosse and seconded by Dave Strysick to approve the Regular Agenda as presented. Approved Voice Vote

VIII. New Business

A. Budget Workshop and Discussion

Mr. Duhr presented information on the 2020-2021 tentative budget to the board members. He shared the revenue limit worksheet with the board indicating that the levy rate for the district will likely be near .00957780 which is \$9.58 per \$1,000. This reflects an increase of 7.95%. This increase is in direct correlation of a decrease in state funding of nearly \$211,000.00. Mr. Duhr explained that we are given our revenue limit each year and that we cannot exceed that amount unless the district asks through referendum. These funds are received in one of two ways, through state aid or through tax payer dollars. Mr. Duhr provided an overview of the various funds that the district has. He provided explanation of the funds as well as what is spent within each specific fund. There are certain deadlines that the district must meet with staffing that do not match directly with the timelines that the budget has set. The board discussed the information presented in regards to the HVAC system and the fixes. Mr. Duhr presented options of how to fund these repairs along with the replacement of the aging and failing utility tractor. The board reviewed the various funds offering suggestions and discussion on the use of funds and where the potential cuts could possibly come from. Mr. Duhr outlined the tax information from 2011 through present showing where the levy rate has been over the past 10 years. The district is presenting a levy rate which is the 5th lowest in the past 10 years. The workshop outlined various aspects of the budget and helped to bring clarification of the budget process. The board and administration discussed the future of the district, where the district is going financially, and the outlying factors that are creating issues with the budget.

IX. Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made by Tracy Malterer and seconded by Barb May to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. Approved by voice vote.

Heather J. Cramer, Superintendent of Schools - Recorder

Tracy Malterer - School Board Clerk