

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
HINCKLEY-BIG ROCK COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #429**



Building, Grounds & Transportation

August 5, 2026

This meeting begins at 5:00 pm in the district office conference room.

- 1) **Call to Order - Committee meeting of the Hinckley-Big Rock Board of Education**
Policy 2:220 Board of Education Meeting Procedures
The meeting was called to order at 5:01pm
- 2) **Roll Call**
Policy 2:220 Board of Education Meeting Procedure
Present: Greg Pritchard
Also Present: Zane Holland, Andy Lein, Brandon Kriesch & Dr. Jessica Sonntag
Absent: Darrin Gengler
- 3) **Approval of Agenda**
Policy 2:220 Board of Education Meeting Procedure
- 4) **Citizens Request to Address the Board-None**
- 5) **Transportation Update**
Mr. Lien is on track with maintenance in the bus barn. The new 9 passenger transit and the wheelchair equipped bus were dropped off this afternoon.
- 6) **Facilities Update**
Mr. Kriesch presented some updates to the Committee. The new well at the HBRMS has been installed; however not currently in use until the initial water testing is completed. The installation projects at HBRES and HBRHS were completed. New ceiling tiles have been installed by the HBR maintenance team at the HBRES. The Fine Arts Zone risers and painting are nearing completion.

The middle school soccer field and back area were significantly impacted by the July 4 flooding. The soccer field has been aerated and reseeded and now needs time for regrowth. Middle school home soccer games will likely be shifted to a soccer field at the high school, north of the baseball field.

50 LED panel lights at the HBRES were damaged by a power surge mid July. The company that installed the HBRHS lights will replace these lights utilizing some ComEd incentives. The total cost installed will be \$1530. This is scheduled to happen on Monday the 11th.

Mr. Kriesch is still working to address short-term needs as well as plan for longer-term repairs or replacements for the roofs across the district. He presented a few options to the committee with pricing. This is a project to start in FY28, but the middle school band room area would need to be repaired this year.
- 7) **Discussion**
The committee continues to investigate options for a track within HBR. One consideration would be to add a track through a multi-phased approach. This could start with an asphalt running surface for practice and adding on the all-weather surface in subsequent years. This is not a project for this year, but continuing to investigate all options. Due to the flooding at the middle school, the committee has once again determined that the high school would provide a better site. Mr. Holland mentioned looking into the field area north of the baseball field to avoid the additional costs associated with putting a track around the soccer field. He will look at spacing, sizing, and potential costs.

8) **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:49pm

The next scheduled meeting of the HBR 429 Building, Grounds & Transportation Committee will be held at 5:00 PM on October 7th, 2026 in the District Office Conference Room.