

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

May 8, 2023

The Board of Education of the Flandreau School District No. 50-3, Flandreau, Moody County, South Dakota, met in regular session in the Elementary School commons at 6:00 p.m. Board members Kari Burggraff, Dustin Headrick, Brian Johnson, Brian Klein, Kelly Kontz, Tom Stenger, and Adam Wiese were present. Superintendent Rick Weber, Principals Kristi Fischer, Justin Kelm and Brian Relf, and Administrative Assistant Brenda Whipkey were also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

05-132.23 Motion by Klein, seconded by Kontz to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

There was no open forum.

Visitors to the meeting: Kali Ahlers, Kortney Amdahl, Heather Beltman, Amanda Bensen, Kenzie Bierschbach, Karissa Blum, Janet Chamblin, Kayla Charles, Allison Claflin, Josh Cleveland, Suzie Cleveland, Sheila Collins, Susan Damm, Courtney Decker, Kimberly DeKruif, Caitlyn Drietz, Laura Drietz, Summer du Randt, Josh Edlund, Julia Fargen, Gabriel Frias, Natalie Gallop, Marietta Gassman, Chelsea Greenfield, Amanda Hall, Nicole Heier, Josh Helling, Kari Lena-Helling, Amber Hoffman, Kelly Johanson, Sarah Kaschke, Emma Keith, Nancy Kelm, Angela Klein, Morgan Kontz, Karla Kopejtka, Makenzie Kuyper, Hailey Lahr, Natasha Luchtenburg, Callie Martens, Karissa Nolan, Heather Olesen, Emma Peters, Laura Peters, Brooke Pearson, Emily Pieper, Bruce Porisch, Phyllis Porisch, Brenda Pulscher, Julie Relf, Blake Savey, Deb Schrecengost, Megan Severtson, Sandy Sheppard, Elaine Stephens, Brendan Streitz, Dacey Turnquist, Ariann VanBockern, Pat Weight, Elizabeth White, Denise Wiese, Lori Williams, Heidi Woodside, Paula Wortham, Malerie Yeaton, Alison Zephier.

Superintendent's and principals' reports were given.

There were no Conflict of Interest disclosures to report for this month.

05-133.23 Motion by Johnson, seconded by Kontz to continue to operate in the green phase at this time and to continue to follow the CDC guidelines of quarantining for five days and returning to school on day six or after, if the student is asymptomatic, wearing a mask for another five days. All voted aye.

05-134.23 Motion by Headrick, seconded by Burggraaf to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes for the regular meeting on April 10, 2023; the financial reports as of April 30, 2023; the bills in the amount of \$129,432.03 be allowed from General Fund; \$186,460.85 be allowed from Capital Outlay Fund; \$73,229.00 be allowed from Special Education Fund; \$34,184.67 be allowed from Food Service Fund; \$41.80 be allowed from Drivers Education Fund; the resignations of Kylie Grengs (high school math), Elizabeth White (high school science), Matt Knippling (technology and coaching), Morgan Terwey (elementary special education), Danielle Geigle (0.8 FTE speech), Jacob Huber (MS/HS chorus), Shana Vander Grift (high school education), Gordon Pulscher (part time custodian), Brenda Pulscher (part time custodian), Georgia Adolph (paraprofessional), Barb Nord (paraprofessional), and Michelle Pepper (high school student council), all effective at the end of the school year; and Leslie Arnold (paraprofessional) effective April 28, 2023; the hiring of Susan Maier (high school social studies), William Molengraaf (high school math), Madison Kontz (MS volleyball coach), Ariann VanBockern (assistant cross country coach), all for the 2023-2024 school year; transfers for the 2023-2024 school year: Traci Nissen from PVC to 4th grade; Malerie Yeaton from middle school ELA/reading to MS/HS chorus; Tony Ullom from HS night custodian to EL day custodian. All voted aye.

05-135.23 Motion by Burggraff, seconded by Johnson to approve building five snow make-up days into the 2023-2024 school calendar: January 15, 2024; February 19, 2024; March 27, 2024; March 28, 2024; and April 1, 2024. At least 10 days' notice must be given before each date if school will be in session to make-up a day. All voted aye.

Preliminary general fund, capital outlay, and technology budgets were shared with the Board.

05-136.23 Motion by Wiese, seconded by Headrick to approve the ordering of middle school lockers, a new PA system to connect all buildings, updated security server and cameras, updates to the elementary parking lot, and carpet for three kindergarten rooms from next year's capital outlay budget. All voted aye.

Discussion was held on the last day of school for students and teachers. Student Makenzie Kuyper spoke on Girls State being May 29 through June 3 and having to miss that week of school. Academic Advisor Josh Cleveland spoke on increased attendance issues, families excusing students from school and students failing classes. Teacher Megan Severtson spoke on contracted days and the amount of extra time teachers put in. Principal Brian Relf asked the board to consider changing the end of the school year plan and recognized all the time the valued staff put in.

05-137.23 Motion by Kontz, seconded by Johnson to revoke the April motion to extend the last day for students to June 1 and the last day for staff to June 6 to make up the days missed due to weather and state girls basketball. Ayes: Headrick, Johnson, Kontz. Nays: Burggraff, Klein, Stenger, Wiese. Motion did not pass.

The first reading of the updated policy manual through KSB Law was held.

Information was shared regarding a possible School Sentinel program. The board would like additional information, including costs.

05-138.23 Motion by Johnson, seconded by Kontz to approval the resolution for membership in the SDHSAA. All voted aye.

05-139.23 Motion by Burggraff, seconded by Headrick to cast a vote in favor of Randy Hartman for the large School Board of Education member. All voted aye.

05-140.23 Motion by Kontz, seconded by Johnson to cast a vote in favor of Adam Shaw for the SDHSAA Division III representative-secondary principal. All voted aye.

05-141.23 Motion by Wiese, seconded by Burggraff to cast a “yes” vote for SDHSAA Amendment #1. All voted aye.

05-142.23 Motion by Headrick, seconded by Burggraff to cast a “yes” vote for SDHSAA Amendment #2. All voted aye.

05-143.23 Motion by Johnson, seconded by Klein to approve the following stipends: Elementary Math night (\$25 each) to Susan Damm, Natalie Gallop, Heather Olesen, and Elaine Stephens; Middle School Match Reading night (\$25 each) to Karla Kopejtko, Ann Kuper, Robert Lack, Julie Relf, Jenn Rieff, Megan Severtson, Elaine Stephens, and Lori Williams; Local mentoring stipend (pending approval from principals that all requirements have been met, \$250/each) to Sarah Anderson, Heather Beltman, Alycia Colvin, Susan Damm, Kimberly DeKruif, Laura Drietz, Julia Fargen, Kristi Fischer, Natasha Luchtenburg, Traci Nissen, Melissa Opsahl, Scott Ross, Shana Vander Grift, Pat Weight, Elizabeth White; DSU student teacher (\$100) to Kortney Amdahl. All voted aye.

05-144.23 Motion by Klein, seconded by Wiese to approve the diplomas to seniors who successfully complete all graduation requirements. All voted aye.

05-145.23 Motion by Burggraff, seconded by Headrick authorizing an executive session of the Board in accordance with SDCL 1-25-2 regarding (1) and (4). All voted aye. The Board thereupon went into executive session at 7:12 p.m. All matters having been considered, President Stenger declared the executive session over. The Board resumed in open session at 8:30 p.m.

05-146.23 Motion by Burggraff, seconded by Klein to issue a \$2,250.00 stipend to elementary special education teacher Morgan Terwey for taking on extra cases when another elementary special education teacher resigned mid-year. All voted aye.

Gross salary for April is as follows: Instruction \$226,211.69; Support Services \$91,621.32; Social Security \$22,754.91; Retirement \$18,595.53; Insurance \$30,472.52. Special Education Fund: Instruction \$40,681.73; Support Services \$25,269.08; Social Security \$4,660.94; Retirement \$3,691.89; Insurance \$7,180.30. Food Service Fund: Support Services \$4,320.24; Social Security \$295.88; Retirement \$258.38; Insurance \$960.71.

05-146.23 There being no further business, motion by Burggraff, seconded by Wiese to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

Tom Stenger, President

Brenda Whipkey, Administrative Assistant
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