

Dawson-Boyd Independent School District No. 378
Regular January Board Meeting
January 6, 2025

The regular January meeting of the Board of Education was held on January 6, 2025, in the Dawson-Boyd upstairs common area. Members present were Kelly, Schindler, Jurgenson, Marotzke, Schacherer, Bothun, and Lynch as well as student representative Ochsendorf and administrative staff. Chair Kelly called the board meeting to order at 6:02 pm. Lynch, Schacherer, and Bothun were sworn in and recited the Oath of Office. Marotzke nominated Kelly to be chair. Schacherer nominated Marotzke to be chair. Kelly will be the board chair by majority vote. Motion carried. Schindler nominates Marotzke for vice chair. Motion carried. Marotzke nominates Schindler for clerk. Motion carried. Kelly nominates Jurgenson for treasurer. Motion carried. There were no public comments. The agenda was approved (Marotzke/Schindler). The meeting time will be 6:00 pm on the following dates: January 6, 2025; February 10, 2025; March 10, 2025; April 14, 2025; May 12, 2025; June 9, 2025; July 14, 2025; July 16, 2025 (board retreat from 9 am - 4 pm); August 11, 2025; September 8, 2025; October 12, 2025 (Tuesday due to Indigenous Peoples Day); November 10, 2025; December 9, 2025; and January 12, 2026 (Marotzke/Schindler). School board pay was established at \$50 per meeting and officer salaries were set for chair at \$225, clerk at \$275, and treasurer at \$175 (Schacherer/Bothun). The Dawson Sentinel was designated as the official newspaper (Jurgenson/Schindler), Greater Community Credit Union and Minnwest Bank were designated as the official financial institutions (Bothun/Marotzke), and Swenson/Nelson/Stulz and Pemberton Law were designated as the school attorneys (Marotzke/Jurgenson). The board chair, Superintendent Ward, and Finance Director Stratmoen were designated with authority to contact regarding school business (Schindler/Marotzke). Dana F. Cole was designated as the auditor (Jurgenson/Schindler). Signatories are the board chair, board clerk, Ward, and Stratmoen (Marotzke/Bothun). The following committee appointments were made: Policy Committee - Marotzke, Bothun, Schindler; Personnel Committee - Lynch, Marotzke, Jurgenson; Finance and Facilities Committee - Bothun, Schacherer, Jurgenson; Committee to Negotiate with Certified Employees - Marotzke, Kelly, Lynch; Committee for Discussion with Classified Employees - Kelly, Schindler, Marotzke; Staff Development Representative - Bothun; Health and Safety Representative - Schacherer; Cooperative Sponsorship Representatives - Bothun, Jurgenson; Curriculum & Achievement Representative - Kelly; MSHSL Representative - Schindler; Community Education Advisory Representative - Schindler, Meet & Confer - Kelly; MRVED Representative - Bothun; UMRDC Representative - Schacherer (Jurgenson/Marotzke).

The Consent Agenda was approved including regular claims and accounts totaling \$2,010,254.78, \$7,047.18 for student activities, and \$41,764.28 for the building project as presented along with electronic transfers and state tax payments made in December. The minutes of the December 9, 2024, regular meeting and the December 30, 2024, special meeting were approved in the consent agenda. In staffing matters the board approved the hiring of long-term substitute Marcia Lund, time without pay for Leah Prestholdt on February 19, 2025, and Karen Anderson on February 20 and 21, 2025, and the board also approved the resignation of Emily Busch, Title, on January 6, 2025, in the consent agenda (Schindler/Bothun).

In Communications, student representative Ochsendorf shared about the Blackjack Broadcast project that is happening in the digital media class. Principal Hiedeman congratulated the spelling bee semi-finalists, as well as Nurse Leah for all of her hard work on the tooth sealant program. Hiedeman updated on READ Act implementation thanked the music department for the annual sing-a-long, gave an update on the start of the Math Masters program for the season, thanked Kassi Albertson and Steph Kelly for all their work with ECSE, shared updates on the partnership work being done with Countryside Public Health, and shared that February will be busy with I Love to Read month activities. Principal Stotesbery shared that he is working in collaboration with another district and local healthcare facilities to potentially offer more medical and health classes to students, gave an update on the activities that have ramped up including Knowledge Bowl and Robotics, and congratulated the spelling bee semi-finalists. In athletics, Stotesbery shared he is working on scheduling, thanked Zach Stelter for his hard work on the dance invitational, and noted that the junior high baseball and softball coaching positions are still open. Superintendent Ward presented Chair Kelly with an MSBA Director's Award, gave a shout-out to the elementary staff for the visual evidence of the implementation of the READ Act in their classrooms, updated the board on finances and the financial transition, thanked Stratmoen for all of her hard work. Ward shared an update on the district's S&P rating which was downgraded from an A with a negative outlook to an A- with a stable outlook. Ward thanked the music department for the wonderful concerts this holiday season and the ECSE team for the events they have hosted. Ward is continuing her advanced leadership academy with MASA, is going through the MSBA Phases 1 and 2 with the new board members as well as attending the MSBA Leadership Academy later this month with several board members. Ward has submitted several grants recently, is preparing for a MELT session during an upcoming in-service day, and thanked the Dawson Sentinel and Dave Hickey for supporting the school and continuing to be an integral part of our community.

RESOLUTION #R1-83A NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of \$100 from Lewis Hull be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used by the Dawson-Boyd music department in memory of Robert Hull. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Marotzke, Schindler, Jurgenson, Kelly, Schacherer, Lync,h and Bothun. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes. RESOLUTION #R1-83B NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of \$25 from Jeff and Janet Liebl be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used by the Dawson-Boyd music department in memory of Ralph Gerbig. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Marotzke, Schindler, Jurgenson, Kelly, Schacherer, Lync,h and Bothun. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes. RESOLUTION #R1-83C NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of \$10 from Jim Prestholdt be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used by the Dawson-Boyd music department in memory of Ralph Gerbig. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Marotzke, Schindler, Jurgenson, Kelly, Schacherer, Lync,h and Bothun. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes. RESOLUTION #R1-83D NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of \$188 from Greater Community Credit Union be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used by the Stevens Elementary Skatertime program. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Marotzke, Schindler, Jurgenson, Kelly, Schacherer, Lynch, and Bothun. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes. RESOLUTION #R1-83E NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of \$425 from the employees of Johnson Memorial Health Services be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used by the Dawson-Boyd musical department in memory of Ralph Gerbig. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Marotzke, Schindler, Jurgenson, Kelly, Schacherer, Lynch, and Bothun. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes. RESOLUTION #R1-83F NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of \$500 from David & Damaris Bergeson be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used by the Dawson-Boyd musical department. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Marotzke, Schindler, Jurgenson, Kelly, Schacherer, Lynch, and Bothun. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes. RESOLUTION #R1-83G NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of \$40 from The Hilltop Bar & Grill be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used by the Dawson-Boyd musical department. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Marotzke, Schindler, Jurgenson, Kelly, Schacherer, Lynch, and Bothun. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes. RESOLUTION #R1-83H NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of \$850 from the Minneapolis Foundation - Understanding Native Minnesota Fund be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used by Loral Webster's English class. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Marotzke, Schindler, Jurgenson, Kelly, Schacherer, Lynch, and Bothun. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes. RESOLUTION #R1-83I NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of \$100 from Alvin Kvaal be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used by the girl's golf student activities fund. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Marotzke, Schindler, Jurgenson, Kelly, Schacherer, Lynch, and Bothun. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes. RESOLUTION #R1-83J NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of \$200 from Dawson Drug - Evert Olesen be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used by the industrial arts program. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Marotzke, Schindler, Jurgenson, Kelly, Schacherer, Lynch, and Bothun. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes. RESOLUTION #R1-83K NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of \$1730 from Farmers for Dawson be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used by Ashley Schacherer's high school health class. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Marotzke, Schindler, Jurgenson, Kelly, Schacherer, Lynch, and Bothun. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes. RESOLUTION #R1-83L NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of

\$100 from the Dawson-Boyd music department be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used for the Backpacks for Jacks program. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Marotzke, Schindler, Jurgenson, Kelly, Schacherer, Lynch, and Bothun. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes. RESOLUTION #R1-83M NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of \$800 from the family of Rodney and Susan Anderson be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used by the boys' basketball program. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Marotzke, Schindler, Jurgenson, Kelly, Schacherer, Lynch, and Bothun. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes. RESOLUTION #R1-83N NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of \$1,205 from the Susan Gerbig family be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used by the music department. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Marotzke, Schindler, Jurgenson, Kelly, Schacherer, Lynch, and Bothun. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes. RESOLUTION #R1-83O NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of \$100 from Charlie and Janice Prestholdt be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used by the music department in memory of Ralph Gerbig. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Marotzke, Schindler, Jurgenson, Kelly, Schacherer, Lynch, and Bothun. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes. RESOLUTION #R1-83P NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DAWSON-BOYD SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DAWSON, MINNESOTA, that the gift of \$6,954 from the Dawson Fire Department be accepted by the district. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the gift will be used in the following ways: \$300 to Theresa Vogel and the elementary library, \$300 to Sadie Solem and 11th and 12th grade English, \$500 to Steph Kelly's preschool classroom, \$350 to Ronda Krosch's SPED room, \$250 to Kallie Blascyk's SPED room, \$500 to the Chris Lehne's band program, \$529 to Ashley Schacherer's high school health classes, \$225 to Bethany Wager's 2nd-grade classroom, \$500 to Chelsea Ludvigson's Prairie Winds field trip, \$500 to Karen Anderson's child development class, \$400 to the Challenge Program, \$250 to the Project Respect, \$500 for the mental health event, \$250 for Blackjack Babies, \$250 for Junior Jacks, \$300 to Nichole Andrews' SPED classroom, \$500 to the robotics program, \$500 to Allysa Hurley's orchestra program, and \$500 to Kassi Albertson's preschool classroom. Members voting in favor of the resolution were Marotzke, Schindler, Jurgenson, Kelly, Schacherer, Lynch, and Bothun. There were no dissenting or abstaining votes.

In action items, Board Member Marotzke moved to terminate the employment of an employee subject to the Board's authority identified in the confidential exhibit as Employee A. The employee's employment will end on January 2, 2025. The motion to approve the resolution of termination was seconded by Jurgenson and the motion carried unanimously. The school board approved an FFA chili feed fundraiser scheduled for either February 18 or 20, 2025, and the NHS bracelet fundraiser (Jurgenson/Schacherer). The board approved the second readings of the following policies: 503 - Student Attendance, 606 - Textbook and Instructional Materials, 613 - Graduation Requirements, 614 - School District Testing Plan and Procedure, 615 - Testing Accommodations, Modifications, and Exemptions for IEPs, 504 and LEP Students, 617 - School

District Assurance of Preparatory and High School Standards, and 701 - Establishment and Adoption of School District Budget (Marotzke/Kelly).

With no further business, Chair Kelly adjourned the meeting at 6:53 pm (Schindler/Jurgenson).