

MINUTES  
DOUGLAS SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Monday, August 22, 2022

The Douglas School District No. 51-1 Board of Education held a Regular meeting on Monday, August 22, 2022 at 5:00 PM in the library conference room at Vandenberg Elementary School, Box Elder, South Dakota. President Tanya Gray presided. Those present were:

Tonya Amaral: Present, Tanya Gray: Present, Amy McGovern: Present, Cathy Melendez: Present, Chris Misselt: Present.

All actions in these Minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise stated.

President Gray called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm

Superintendent Kevin Case recognized Board President Tanya Gray who was re-elected for a second term on the Associated School Boards of South Dakota Board of Directors. She represents the Western Region member districts in the 1,400-9,999 enrollment category. Douglas is proud to be represented by her.

There was nothing for public forum.

Approved July Financial Reports. (Attachment)

Approved Accounts Payable Report. (Attachment)

There were no conflicts disclosed as defined in SDCL 3-23.

**Elementary and Secondary Curriculum and Instruction Items:**

**Superintendent Items:**

Jerry Spethman from DA Davidson & Company shared basic information on bond financing for school districts in South Dakota and specifically for Douglas. His overview laid out the options available for most school districts. However, Douglas School District is unique in that a large portion of the district is on federal property, which limits the District's ability to bond. While Douglas could technically generate as much as \$81 million through a bond, that scenario would likely be cost prohibitive for property owners. It was good information to gain a better understanding of the different methods available to fund building projects.

### **Operational Support Services Items:**

Second Reading of Revised School Board Policies as follows:

- Board Policy BA - Board Operational Goals
- Board Policy BB - School Board Legal Status
- Board Policy BBE - School Board Member Vacancy

Second Reading of Reviewed School Board Policies as follows:

- Board Policy BBA - School Board Powers and Authority
- Board Policy BBAA - Board Member Authority
- Board Policy BBB - School Board Elections
- Board Policy BBBA - School Board Member Qualifications
- Board Policy BBBB - Board Members Oath of Office
- Board Policy BBC - Board Member Resignation - Removal from Office
- Board Policy BBEA - Unexpired Term Fulfillment Procedure
- Board Policy BBF - Board Member Code of Ethics
- Board Policy BBFA - Board Member Conflict of Interest
- Board Policy BCA - Annual Board Organizational Meeting
- Board Policy BCB - Board Officers
- Board Policy BCC - Appointed Board Officials
- Board Policy BCD - School Board - Superintendent Relationship

First Reading of REVISED School Board Policies as follows:

- Board Policy Regulation GCLA-R - Travel Allowance
- Board Policy Exhibit IIBGA-E - DSD Device Use and Insurance Agreement

First Reading of REVIEWED Board Policies as follows:

- Board Policy GCLA - Attendance at Professional meetings and Conferences
- Board Policy IIBGA - District Assigned Computers

### **Reports:**

Superintendent Kevin Case thanked everyone for a smooth and exciting start to a new school year!

Committee Reports from Board Members and Comments from Associate Board Members:

Tonya Amaral said Booster Club will meet next Monday, August 29 and invited other parents to come and join.

Cathy Melendez attended the Box Elder Area Chamber of Commerce meeting last week. She reported that the Black Hills Federal Credit Union groundbreaking for its new Box Elder location is September 1; and the Box Elder Expo is scheduled for Thursday night.

Tanya Gray stated she will be attending the Black Hills Special Services Cooperative Board of Directors meeting this week. She thanked everyone for their hard work preparing for a new school year.

President Gray called the Board out of executive session at 7:08 p.m.

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Tanya Gray, President

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Trista Olney, Business Manager

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