

MINUTES  
DOUGLAS SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Tuesday, October 11, 2022

The Douglas School District No. 51-1 Board of Education held a Regular meeting on Tuesday, October 11, 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. Melendez attended via zoom/phone

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

President Gray called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Superintendent Kevin Case recognized Middle School Science teacher, Kevin Militello for his initiative and hard work in making Douglas Middle School the first West River site for Ground Works--Midwest's Teaching Garden Program. The teaching garden will provide students with an innovative and interactive educational experience. Last month, the program started with students building and filling the five garden beds located at the middle school.

President Tanya Gray commended Jennifer Garner and Gina Giesey for the outstanding dinner prepared and served at the ASBSD Region Meeting on September 28.

There was nothing for public forum.

Approved Regular Board Meeting Minutes for September 26, 2022.

Approved Accounts Payable Report (Attachment)

Approved September 2022 Payroll Reports (Attachment)

Approved overnight and out-of-state High School Debate Trip Requests.

Approved the 2022-23 Softball Club Lettering Agreement.

Approved the High School Assistant Dance Coach position, salary to align with Appendix B, Category 6.

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

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

Ann Pettit, Executive Director of Elementary Academics and Kit Veit, Executive Director of Secondary Academics presented an overview of the Fall K-12 academic data. Ms. Pettit showed the comparison of historical and current K-5 Acadience reading data, which is beginning to show a consistent pattern of growth. Ms Veit covered the 6-12 MWEA MAP data in Math, Reading, and Science broken down by grade levels. They covered the action steps for both elementary and secondary levels.

### **Superintendent Items:**

Todd Kwiecinski of DLR Group showed a virtual tour consisting of five short videos of different areas of the proposed new elementary building. The videos will be available to the public in the future.

Recently, a small group which included Superintendent Kevin Case, as well as elementary and secondary teachers attended the VS America Experience in Charlotte, North Carolina. The conference showed the research and importance of learning spaces being flexible, movement-oriented spaces that actively engage and encourage collaboration; and the role that furniture plays in that configuration.

### **Fiscal Resource Items:**

### **Reports:**

Superintendent Kevin Case thanked Technology Coordinator Lane Johnson and B&G Coordinator Jace Waltman for their collaborative efforts for the new monitors and equipment in the board room.

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

Tonya Amaral reported the Booster Club is doing a Sweet Treat fundraiser at the volleyball invitational on Saturday. The next Booster Club meeting is October 17.

CMSgt Rasmussen thanked Ann Pettit and the District for supporting the recent successful base town hall for military parents. It's an opportunity to show the base and school are connected.

Several board members commented that they appreciated the data being presented at the meeting.

Tanya Gray reported on the recent ASBSD Region Meeting that all board members attended. They reviewed current resolutions, standing position and updates to be voted on at the Delegate Assembly in November in preparation for the 2023 Legislative Session. She asked board members to give their feedback to Amy McGovern on what best represents Douglas.

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Tanya Gray, President

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