

MINUTES  
DOUGLAS SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Monday, March 27, 2023

The Douglas School District No. 51-1 Board of Education held a Regular meeting on Monday, March 27, 2023 at 5:00 PM in the library conference room at Vandenberg Elementary School, Box Elder, South Dakota. President Tanya Gray presided. Those present were:

Tanya Gray: Present, Amy McGovern: Present, Cathy Melendez: Present, Chris Misselt: Present, Tonya Welch: Present. Patrice Holmes, Associate Member, present; Fran Apland, Associate Member, present.

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

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

There was nothing for public forum.

Approved Regular Board Meeting Minutes for March 13, 2023.

Approved Personnel Action for March 27, 2023. (Attachment)

Approved February 2023 Financial Reports. (Attachment)

Approved Accounts Payable Report. (Attachment)

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

Approved the non-reelection of forty (40) certified staff for the 2023-24 school year for the purpose of removing one-year only assignments or extra duty assignments.

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

Executive Director of Elementary Curriculum Ann Pettit and Executive Director of Secondary Curriculum Kit Veit shared information about school district staffing plans from different school districts in the country. Districts typically have staffing plans in place to make solid decisions promoting equity and efficiency in staffing. It promotes fiscal and academic

responsibility. The district does not currently have a staff plan, but district leaders are considering one.

### **Fiscal Resources Items:**

Business Manager Trista Olney explained the Concurrent Election Agreement with the City of Box Elder will permit the district and the city to hold its elections at the same place and time. If there is school board election, it will be on Tuesday, June 6th from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm at the Box Elder Community Center, 420 Villa Drive, Box Elder.

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

New Board Policy GCE - Part-Time and Substitute Employment of Professional Staff  
New Board Policy GCEA - Job Sharing for Professional Staff  
New Board Policy Exhibit GEA-E1 - Job Share Application.

### **Reports:**

Superintendent Kevin Case commented on the recent NAFIS Spring Conference that there were productive meetings with the legislative staffers. Senator Rounds office is working on getting clarity regarding the \$15 million grants.

He also stated the attendance at this year's Classified Listening Sessions was very similar to previous years. He will bring the summary to the April 6 board meeting.

Committee Reports from Board Members and Comments from Associate Board Members

Fran Apland shared a Month of the Military Child flyers. There are lots of planned activities for April, including a proclamation from the Governor and one of the Douglas students will be the hero for the Saturday Rush game. She commended Teresa Keyser at Vandenberg for her time with the Anchored4Life program.

Cathy Melendez reported on the Box Elder Area Chamber of Commerce meeting. They held the election of officers, and there was no change in officers for the next year. They gave money to the post-prom event and to the Ellsworth Air Force Base for Month of the Military Child activities.

Tonya Amaral had Booster Club and Curriculum Coordinating Council reports. For Booster Club, she announced the next meeting will be April 17 at 6:30 p.m. Booster Club assisted with post-prom activities this year and had a good turnout. Track meets and baseball games are coming up. At the Curriculum Coordinating Council meeting, they reviewed district attendance policies and the ten point grading presentation.

Patrice Holmes commented that she and Fran Apland meet prior to the board meetings. She added that the Month of Military Child is dear to her heart as she grew up as a military child.

Tanya Gray thanked everyone for post-prom. It is nice to have a safe event for our students. She reported on the Black Hills Special Services Cooperative Board of Directors meeting. They are busy and have the TIE Conference coming up in April at the Monument in Rapid City.

President Gray brought the Board out of executive session at 6:39 p.m.

Preseident Gray brought the board out of executive session at 7:03 p.m.

No action taken.

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Tanya Gray, President

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Trista Olney, Business Manager

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