

DE SMET SCHOOL DISTRICT #38-2  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MINUTES

The School Board of the De Smet School District #38-2 of Kingsbury County, SD convened pursuant to due notice at 5:30 PM on February 8th, 2021 in the high school conference room. Those in attendance were Pres. Shane Roth, Vice-Pres. Barb Asleson, Donita Garry, Jared Tolzin and Evan Buckmiller. Administrators present were Supt.-Elem Princ. Abi Van Regenmorter, Princ. Andy Armstead and Bus. Mgr. Susan Purintun. Visiting were Donna Palmlund of the *Kingsbury Journal*, DTO Rep April Rusche, Norm Koehlmoos.

The board meeting was called to order with Pres. Roth congratulating and thanking Business Manager Susan Purintun on her 40 years of employment with the District. Mrs. Purintun was honored with a beautiful plaque, flowers, cards, and a cake.

**Agenda:** On motion by J. Tolzin, seconded by B. Asleson to adopt the presented agenda with the following addition to the consent agenda, Item e: Purchase of a used 2012 Blue Bird Bus to replace bus lost in bus fire for a cost of \$24,000. All voting "aye", motion carried

**SD School Board Recognition Week:** Supt. Abi noted that South Dakota School Board Recognition Week is Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> through the 19<sup>th</sup>. Board members were presented with certificates and thanked for their efforts to serve the students, staff, and community.

**Delegations:** None

**Conflict of Interest Disclosure:** None

**Public Participation:**

**Consent Agenda:** On motion by D. Garry, seconded by E. Buckmiller and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda including the minutes from the regular meeting of Jan. 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021, the financial report for the period of January 1st through January 31st, 2021, bills presented for payment; approval of signed contracts of Bus. Mgr. Susan Purintun, Supt. Abi Van Regenmorter for FY2021; Purchase of 2012 used Blue Bird Bus \$24,000;

GENERAL FUND: Revenue - Ad Valorem Tax 5130.42, Pr.Yrs Taxes 358.08, Pen&Int 223.15, Interest 88.86, Co.Apport 583.56, Revenue in Lieu of Taxes 5052.04, State Aid 69,159.00; Other Federal Grants through State 23,789

Disbursements - 62,948.23 January Payroll 186,971.68

TOTAL GENERAL FUND CASH BALANCE - 987,187.60

CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND: Revenue - Ad Valorem Tax 49,943.91, Pr. Yrs Taxes 109.35, Pen&Int 221.55; Audit Adjustment \$43,487.72

Disbursements - 14,865.64

TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND CASH BALANCE - 1,470,545.57

SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND: Revenue - Ad Valorem Tax 2501.62, Pr. Yrs Taxes 53.91; Pen&Int 87.97, Audit Adjustment - 43,487.71; Disbursements - 5363.74 January Payroll 35,324.06  
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND CASH BALANCE - 369,744.66  
FOOD SERVICE FUND: Revenue - Meals Paid by Dist. 1208.00, Other Sales 168.64 Federal Reimbursement - 11,814.13; Grant - 5170.53  
Disbursements - 11,566.67, January Payroll 7173.78  
TOTAL FOOD SERVICE FUND CASH BALANCE - -8156.95  
TRUST AND AGENCY FUND: Revenue - 49,125.36  
Disbursements - 67,173.12  
TOTAL TRUST AND AGENCY FUND CASH BALANCE - 121,740.66  
ENTERPRISE FUND: Revenue - None  
Disbursements - None  
TOTAL ENTERPRISE FUND CASH BALANCE - 4330.54  
GENERAL FUND INVOICES: Access Health, Prof Serv Trans 149.00; T.Holland, Reimb Cust Supp 219.75, T.Holland Covid Supplies 28.70; K. Vockrodt, Trav Music 64.68; D.Vanderwal, VoAg Trav 73.92; A.Ostrander, ESL Reimb 1050; Sanford Health, HSA Fee 10.00; B.Pitts, Tuit.Reimb 50.00; G.Despiegler, Off BB/Trav 171.20; D. Ruesink, BB Off 125.00; B.Gaikowski, BB Off 125.00; P.Entringer, Off BB/Trav 144.60; R.Hagemann, BB Off 90.00; T. Duffy, BB Off 90.00; R.Effling, BB Off/Trav 127.80; W.Buck, Off BB 90.00; A.Entringer, Off BB 90.00; N.Muser, Reimb Cust Supp 37.34; T.Anderson, Reimb Music travel 12.18; K. Vockrodt, Reimb music travel 94.08; J.Benning, off BB 125.00; S.Schedel, Off BB 125.00; P.Entringer, Off BB/Trav. 178.76; T.Duffy, Off BB 125.00; J.Benning, Off BB 90.00; M.Ruesink, Off BB 90.00; J.Fast, Off GBB/Trav 123.60; Sanford Health, HSA Fee 10.00; D.Vanderwal, Reimb Cust Supp 279.92; J. Rasmussen, Off BB/Trav 171.20; P.Santema, Off BB 125.00; T.Johnson, Off BB/Trav 146.20; R.Santama, Off BB 100.00; P.Santema, Off BB 100.00; NSU, Reg Fee 70.00; J.Fast, BB Off 90.00; M.Cadwell, Off BB 90.00; J.Rasmussen, Off BB/trav. 136.20; SD Dept. of Labor, Unemp. Claims 506.46; A.VanRegenmorter, Comm 300.00; A.Armstead, Comm 300.00; S. Purintun, Comm 300.00; A.Armstead, reimb tech supp 38.32; US Post OFF, Stamps 110.00; SDSSA, Leg Mtg Reg 25.00; Region Music, Fees 109.25; W.Buck, Off BB 90.00; C.Vossekuil, Off BB 90.00; R.Effling, Off BB/Trav 127.80; B.DeBoer, Off BB/Trav 119.40; M.Cadwell, Off BB 90.00; J.Rasmussen, Off BB 90.00; S.Purintun,Reimb Bd. Supp 79.88; A.Armstead, Reimb Tech Supp 134.53; A.Ostrander, Reimb supp 85.00; J. Hojer, Reimb Elem Supp 50.31; A.VanRegenmorter, Reimb. Test Fees 66.32; B.Buck, Off BB/Trav 106.80; W.Buck, Off BB 90.00; R.Hagemann, Off BB 90.00; Deuel HS, XC Fees 45.00; Avid Hawk, Tech Fees 45.00; Brookings Engraving, Bd. Supp 99.00; Bunker Auto, Trans Serv 525.00; City of De Smet, Bus Gar Utilities 40.79, Bldg Utilities 354.77 - Total 395.56; Culligan, Utilities 83.00; De Smet Fd Serv, Reimb adult meals 1480.00; Dustex, COVID serv 238.24; Flaghouse, MS PE supp 566.92; Flaghouse, Elem PE Supp 1119.58 Total 1686.50; Fusion, Comm 687.32; G&R Controls, Repairs/Maint 2039.96; Girton Adams, Boiler Repairs 228.39; Glissman Salvage, Removal Boiler 7500.00; Hauff Mid-America Sports, BB Rim 272.00, Wrest Supp 119.40 Total 391.40; Hillyard, Cust Supp 86.40; Innovative Supp, cust supp 55.44, Tech Supp 843.72 Total 899.16; JW Pepper, Music Supp 49.48; Johnson Controls, Repairs 1725.30; Kingsbury County Country Club, Fees 1200.00; Kingsbury Electric, Comm 54.44; Kingsbury Journal, Comm 706.93, subscription 65.00 Total 771.93; Maynards, Science Supp 18.16, Cons.Sc Supp 145.31 Total 163.46; McCune Electric, Bus Garage Repairs 1521.43; Midwest Bus Parts, Trans Supp 135.15; Mobility Works,

ADA Repairs Mini Bus 115.50; Napa Auto, Trans Supp 144.44; NESC, Gen Serv 10.29, Read.Rec 303.32 Total 313.61; NW Pub Serv, Bus Gar.Utilities 144.32, Bldgs 2996.12 Total 3140.44; O'Keefe Implement, Trans Rep/Maint 512.83; Office Peeps, Cust Supp 23.30, Off Supp 12.83, Copier Maint 455.94 Copier Supp 478.80, Total 970.87; Otter Tail Power, Bus Gar Utilities 148.90, Ath Fd. 145.50, Bldgs 7909.26 Total 8203.66; Rich's Gas 'n Serv, Fuel 2290.33; LeRoy Roth, Tree Removal 900.00; RW Contracting, Fence Repair 1391.96; Safeguard Bus, Bus Off Supp 492.18; School Fix, Cust Supp 413.86; Sherwin Williams, Covid Supp 61.23; Smith's Lumber, Cust Supp 5.35, Drama Supp 79.27 Total 84.62; Trustworthy Hardware, Trans Supp 38.43, Cust Supp 65.70 Total 104.13; WW Tire Serv, Trans Supp 655.19; TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES 50,155.87  
CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND INVOICES: L. Johnson, Reimb Software 225.00; C. Tangen, Reimb Res. Books 1896.12; T. Schmidt, Reimb College Texts 106.66; K. Buchholz, Reimb College Texts 106.66; B. Martens, Reimb College Texts 106.66; E.McCune, Reimb College Texts 74.54; City of De Smet, Event Center Rent 6375.00;Lampo Group, Bus Ed Curr 1269.78; NW Pipe Fittings, Hot Water Heater 6632.93; TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY EXPENDITURES 16,793.35  
SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND INVOICES: R. Gigov, reimb LD supp 90.16; McCrossan Boys Ranch, Out of Dist Tuition 1518.60; NESC, Early Childhood 401.93, Trans/Tech 29.62, Psychologist 700.14, Speech Path 1211.93, Physical Therapy 342.24, Occupational Therapy 516.71 Total 3202.57; TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND EXPENDITURES 4811.33  
FOOD SERVICE FUND INVOICES: Bernard Food Ind., Food 547.52; CASH-WA, Supplies 630.92 Food 5285.15 Total 5916.07; CANS, Food 83.36; Maynards, Food 168.51; Prairie Farms Dairy, Food 882.22; US Foods, Supplies 199.75, Food 4194.45 Total 4394.20 TOTAL FOOD SERVICE EXPENDITURES 11,991. 88  
TOTAL EXPENDITURES 83,752.43

**NESC Report:** Representative Barb Asleson reported the NESC Bus. Mgr. Tiffany Storm is requesting quotes for auditors and had reviewed recent audit process. The NESC has received CARES ACT dollars at \$32,000 plus. To date they have expended approximately half and are looking at options available to use the revenue for. Director Aberle would like to see bonus' given for hazard pay but the \$16,000 would not cover the figures discussed. It was also announced that Andrea Powell, current Supt at Tripp/Delmont and Armour, will be the new Director beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Education Enhancement Foundation:** There was no business to report from the Foundation. It was noted that Val Pirlet would like to retire from the Foundation and they are looking for a replacement for her position.

**Legislative Report:** Pres. Roth reviewed recent Legislation business. He noted one particular bill being watched concerns a school being created within another school district which would force the public school to give the "charter" school portions of their state aid. The bill as written has no mechanism for control, oversight by the taxpayers and no standards for student progress. It was also noted that at this time Governor Noem has proposed a 2.5% increase to State Aid. Pres. Roth reported the annual ASBSD Legislative Days and meetings were cancelled. The board he currently serves on will have a virtual meeting on Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>.

Supt. Abi announced that senior Aria Gruenhagen is serving as a legislative page.

A Cracker Barrel session will be held on Saturday, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> at 11 AM at the Oxbow Restaurant. Pres. Roth and board member Evan Buckmiller will attend on behalf of the board members.

Bus. Mgr. Susan Purintun participated in the virtual ASBSD/SASD Delegate Assembly the previous week representing SDASBO.

**Buildings and Facilities Report:** Supt. Abi gave the board the update on buildings and grounds. The water heater that serves the commons and kitchen area has broken down and is in the process of being replaced. Building and grounds manager, Terry Holland, gathered information and quotes for replacement.

Mr. Holland has also been working on quotes to replace door locks and mechanisms for the District to be submitted for a federal Homeland Security Grant. The District will most likely not know if it has been approved until late summer.

Other items discussed were the floor tiles in the Armory/Gym that continue to dislodge and break up. Quotes are also being secured to resolve those issues.

Coop Arch is working on further renderings for new proposals of logistics of the elementary LIW building.

**Principal's Report:** Andy Armstead was absent due to a family emergency. Supt. Abi commended new guidance counselor Kari Fods and said the students and staff have been celebrating all she does for them during National Guidance Counselor Week. Mid-Year testing is taking place currently. Kindergarten screening will take place the first week of March. And, winter sports are winding down with regions and state events starting in two weeks.

**2021-2022 School Year Calendar:** The board reviewed the proposed 2021-2022 school year calendar. On motion by J. Tolzin, seconded by D. Garry to approve the calendar. Trimesters will continue in the elementary. The proposed calendar is recommended by the committee, staff and admin. The First day of school will be August 19<sup>th</sup>, the last day (pending no snow days) will be May 18<sup>th</sup>, with graduation on May 7<sup>th</sup>. The changes to the calendar were including the 1:30 dismissals. All voting "aye", motion carried.

**Motion to discontinue Reading Recovery Services through the NESCs:** On motion by J. Tolzin, seconded by E. Buckmiller to notify the NESC of the District's decision to discontinue the Reading Recovery Services program. The board discussed that with the wealth of knowledge that Mrs. Marlys Larsen has, she would be able to serve more than 4 students per semester, which is a requirement of the Reading Recovery program. Many more students would benefit from her expertise. Mrs. Larsen has 21 years of experience of instructing in specialized reading programs. By releasing her from the limitations of the RR program, many more students will be able to be served. All voting "aye", motion carried. \_

**Motion to approve summer community cooking classes (FACS Room):** On motion by E. Buckmiller, seconded by B. Asleson to approve Consumer Science instructor Angela Ostrander’s proposal to offer summer community cooking classes during the summer months of 2021. Ms. Ostrander outlined the classes she would like to instruct, include both individuals and families. She is also applying for grants to help subsidize the program. All voting “aye”, motion carried.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business at this time, on motion to adjourn by D. Garry, seconded by B. Asleson. All voting “aye”, motion carried. (5:54PM)

ATTEST: Shane Roth, President  
Susan L. Purintun, Business Manager

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