# THE 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 November 13, 2023 in the high school library. Those in attendance were President Shane Roth, Evan Buckmiller, Jared Tolzin and Norm Koehlmoos. Administrators present were Superintendent Abi Van Regenmorter, Business Managers Cassi Johnson and Principal Daniel Bettin. Others present included Shannon Palmlund and the *Kingsbury Journal* joined by phone. (Unless noted, all motions were unanimous.)

## Public Participation:

Motion #2429 Agenda Approval: On motion by N.Koehlmoos, seconded by J.Tolzin, to approve the agenda as presented.

**Delegations:** None

Conflict of Interest Disclosure: None

**Reports** 

**NESC**: The NESC business was reviewed.

Education Enhancement Foundation: No reports.

<u>Legislative Report</u>: President Roth will be in Pierre for an ASBSD meeting on Thursday and Delegate Assembly on Friday. Board members are encouraged to join the Legislative Action Network (LAN) through ASBSD to assist in advocating for public schools.

**Buildings/Facilities Committee Report**: Superintendent Abi shared that staff had an opportunity to tour the new building Monday. The building is nearly weather-tight and then they will focus on the roof, the phone/intercom system, and finalizing the furniture order.

# Administration Reports:

Principal Bettin shared MS/HS Pops Concert was held Oct 16; Student Council attended workshop on Oct 19; Parent-Teacher Conferences were held Oct 24 and 25; Humanity Launch presentation on Oct 25 promoted leadership and being good people to students in grades 5-12; School Crisis Training was provided to grades 9-12 on Oct 26 and grades 6-8 on Nov 6; Ms. Smith brought Ava Poppinga, Sophia Gigov, Payton Botkin and Sam Gigov to All-State Choir on Oct 27 and 28 in Rapid City; National FFA was held in Indianapolis from Oct 31-Nov 4 with 1 participant from De Smet; 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter MS Awards were given Nov 1; ACT Test was given to Juniors and Seniors; and Teen Mental Health Training for Juniors on Oct 20, 26 and 30. Student Council organized the Veterans Day Program on Nov 10 with Daniel Albrecht Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class, SD Air National Guard and 2018 De Smet Alumni as guest speaker. Mrs. Nolte organized 10<sup>th</sup> grade poetry for the program and De Smet Legion 9<sup>th</sup> grade De Smet Legion essay contest won by Adalyn Gross. Music was provided by the De Smet Band under direction of Mrs. Vockrodt and the Elementary Choir under direction of Ms. Smith. Cross Country concluded their season at State Cross Country on Oct 28 – Connor Giedd finished 75<sup>th</sup>, Chase Temme finished 99<sup>th</sup> and Ady Gross finished 43<sup>rd</sup>. Volleyball concluded their season following the first round of play-offs, losing to #1 seed Wolsey-Wessington Warbirds. Football concluded their season in the third round of play-offs after a loss to Avon in the semi-finals. Oral Interp attended the district meet in Brookings on Oct 30 and the following are advancing to Regions on Nov 14: Willem Lim-poetry; Sophia Gigov-serious; Williem Lim, Sam Gigov and Payton Botkin-reading theatre, and Neva Glubbwill-alternate for oratory. A decision about softball will need to be made before January 3 if there plans to be a team in the spring of 2024. Softball would be a co-op sport with Iroquois and Lake Preston. The board gave the ok for the 6<sup>th</sup> grade boys

to get moved up to junior high boys basketball due to low participation numbers. The Head Track Coach position is open. Upcoming events include: Nov 13-wrestling practice begins; Nov 15-19 Armory closed for waxing; Nov 20 GBB practice begins and Financial Aid Meeting at 6pm; Nov 22-24 No School for Thanksgiving Break; Nov 27 BBB practice begins; Dec 1-2 State Oral Interp; Dec 5 MS/LIW Christmas Concert at 6:00pm; and Dec 15 HS Dinner Theatre at 6:30pm in HS Gym.

Principal Abi shared that STARBase would be Nov 27-30 in 5<sup>th</sup> grade with a field trip to the SD Air National Guard Base on Dec 1. There will be a viewing of "My Ascension" and panel discussion to promote suicide prevention and awareness on Nov 28, Accountability Board meeting on Nov 30, and Christmas Concert on Dec 5.

Business Manager Johnson shared the FY2023 financial on-site audit is Nov 16 and working with Nita and Mrs. Abi on the food service off-site administrative review.

**Teachers' Report:** Mrs. Palmlund thanked the board for providing treats for staff during conferences; 4<sup>th</sup> graders are learning about the Thanksgiving Day Parade and will be creating balloon projects then having a parade; culinary class completed a pumpkin puree challenge; Nutrition & Wellness class has been learning about healthy snacks; Employability class is learning about interview skills and will be doing mock interviews soon; FFA had eight participants at Districts and one student running for District Officer; Mrs. Nolte's class is reading to Kill a Mockingbird; band and choir are preparing for their concerts; FCCLA has 33 members, recently received a grant to purchase professional attire for competitions and events, and has two students applying for Region officer positions.

Motion #2430 BOE Resignation: On motion by J.Tolzin, seconded by E.Buckmiller, to approve the resignation of Barb Asleson from the Board of Education effective immediately.

Motion #2431 Consent Agenda: On motion by E.Buckmiller, seconded by N.Koehlmoos, to approve the consent agenda.

- a) Approve minutes from the regular meeting of October 9, 2023.
- b) Approve financial report for the period of October 1 through October 31, 2023.

#### **GENERAL FUND-CHECKS**

<u>Revenue</u>: Taxes 16,642.27; Interest 526.58; Other 6846.07; County Apport 617.70; State Aid 110,440.00; ESSER II Reimb 1783.00 <u>Disbursements</u>: 301,037.71 TOTAL GENERAL FUND CASH BALANCE: \$1,017,615.06

#### **CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND**

<u>Revenue</u>: Taxes 14,501.97 <u>Disbursements</u>: 0 TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND CASH BALANCE: \$2,051,377.63

### SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND

<u>Revenue</u>: Taxes 8698.30; Medicaid 245.54 <u>Disbursements</u>: 8943.84 TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND CASH BALANCE: \$219,051.90

#### BOND REDEMPTION FUND

<u>Revenue</u>: Taxes 2,063.31 <u>Disbursements</u>: 0 TOTAL BOND REDEMPTION FUND CASH BALANCE: \$273,033.11

#### **CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**

<u>Revenue</u>: Interest 13,631.98 <u>Disbursements</u>: 648,815 TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND CASH BALANCE: \$3,753,568.71

#### **FOOD SERVICE FUND**

<u>Revenue</u>: Interest 306.48; Sales to Students 9542.20; Other 175.96; FFVP Reimb 2048.47; SNP Reimb 12,263.32; USDA Supply Chain Asst 3830.67 <u>Disbursements</u>: 29,547.91 TOTAL FOOD SERVICE FUND CASH BALANCE: \$2,192.61

### ENTERPRISE FUND

<u>Revenue</u>: 0 <u>Disbursements</u>: 126.94 TOTAL ENTERPRISE FUND CASH BALANCE: \$3,801.49

#### SCHOLARSHIP FUND

<u>Revenue</u>: Donation 913.04 <u>Disbursements</u>: 0 TOTAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND CASH BALANCE: \$42,726.18

#### **TRUST & CUSTODIAL FUND**

<u>Revenue</u>: 53,965.30 <u>Disbursements</u>: 68,721.73 TOTAL TRUST & CUSTODIAL FUND CASH BALANCE: \$131,270.29

c) Approve bills for payment as presented:

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES: A0X WELDING shop supplies 640.93; ACTIVE HEATING INC repairs 2824.49; ANDERSON LUMBER supplies 225.58; ASBSD school law webinar 175.00; AUSTREIM LANDSCAPING winterize irrigation 200.00; AUTOMATIC BUILDING CONTROLS annual contract 480.00; CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS copies 1262.35; CITY OF DESMET water and sewer 857.84; COMFORT INN & SUITES hotel for All-State Choir 1,027.28; CONNECTING POINT service call 46.25; COOKS WASTEPAPER & RECYCLING garbage 1,810.25; CULLIGAN softner rental 50.00; DE SMET FOOD SERVICE adult meals Aug-Oct 5,548.00; DESMET IMPREST advanced Oct expenses 8,992.25; DECKER EQUIPMENT hinges & folding gate 1,465.44; DUST-TEXT SERVICE cleaning service 366.14; FUSION phone 1,466.78; HORIZON HEALTH CARE DOT physical 230.00; INFINITE CAMPUS label printer & paper 298.00; INNOVATIVE OFFICE SOLUTIONS supplies 1,976.50; JOHNNY ON THE SPOT restroom rental & cleaning 400.00; JOHNSON CONTROLS FIRE PROTECTION repairs 1,977.78; KINGSBURY ELECTRIC COOP tower & meter repairs 436.53; KINGSBURY JOURNAL publish minutes & ads 706.48; MAYNARDS FOOD CENTER supplies 516.94; MIDSTATE AGRONOMY custodial supplies 117.06; NAPA AUTO PARTS supplies 10.48; NESC COOPERATIVE services 21.75; NORTHWESTERN ENERGY gas 849.89; O'KEEFE IMPLEMENT supplies 218.90; OFFICE PEEPS supplies and paper 2020.63; PREMIER EQUIPMENT check fault codes 491.38; REF REPS LLC licenses 855.00; RICH'S GAS N'SERVICE fuel and supplies 4,151.52; SASD workshop 50.00; SCHOOL SPECIALTY supplies 1,128.81; SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO field paint 205.90; TAYLOR MUSIC repairs 125.00; TRUSTWORTHY HARDWARE supplies 108.18; VALLEY FIBERCOM internet 66.98; ZIMCO SUPPLY herbicide 177.53

<u>GENERAL FUND AUTOPAY EXPENDITURES</u>: AMAZON supplies 519.31; AMERICAN FLAG AND EMBLEM American Flags 251.80; ASCA membership 129.00; AUTO-OWNERS INSURANCE vehicle insurance 819.72; BROOKLYN PUBLISHERS LLC oral interp scripts 23.75; COFFEE CUP VIVIAN fuel 45.11; CORNER PANTRY fuel 63.62; GENERATION GENIUS subscription 95.00; HORIZON HEALTHCARE DOT physicals 690.00; JW PEPPER OF DETROIT sheet music 265.30; KINGSBURY JOURNAL subscription 65.00; MARKS PLUMBING faucet 118.17; MIX AND MATH LLC membership 150.00; NAFME membership 124.00; PENDERS MUSIC CO sheet music 22.50; SCHOOL NURSE SUPPLY INC supplies 109.50; SD COUNSELING ASSOCIATION membership 110.00; SD HUMANITIES COUNCIL speaker 50.00; SPEEDWAY fuel 38.45; TEACHERS PAY TEACHERS worksheets 83.48; THE WEEK JUNIOR subscription 53.05; **TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES \$53,369.10** 

<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY EXPENDITURES:</u> INFINITE CAMPUS online payment set-up 150.00; LION ELECTRIC CO electric bus addlt 12,316.00 <u>CAPITAL OUTLAY AUTOPAY EXPENDITURES</u>: GREY HOUSE PUBLICATION books 954.00 **TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY EXPENDITURES** \$13,420.00

<u>SPECIAL EDUCATION EXPENDITURES</u>: MITCHELL SCHOOL DISTRICT tuition 900.00; NESC COOPERATIVE services and tuition 13,520.82 **TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION EXPENDITURES \$14,420.82** 

<u>CAPITAL PROJECTS EXPENDITURES</u>: CO-OP ARCHITECTURE Architect Fees 4386.10; WS CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT LIW construction 374,513.59 **TOTAL BOND REDEMPTION EXPENDITURES \$378,899.69** 

FOOD SERVICE EXPENDITURES: CASH-WA OF FARGO food supplies 6,413.15; DESMET IMPREST advance Oct expenses 47.76; EAST SIDE JERSEY DAIRY milk 1,562.68; MAYNARDS FOOD CENTER food supplies 521.31; PERFORMANCE FOODSERVICE food supplies 8,475.60; WARNE'S APPLICANCE AND VIDEO repairs 289.99

TOTAL FOOD SERVICE EXPENDITURES \$17,310.49

- d) Approve Jacie McCune as volunteer JH girls basketball coach.
- e) Approve the following Basketball Cheer Coach contracts: Traci Schoenfelder for \$730 and Stephanie Botkin for \$243.

**Presentation about Artificial Intelligence in Education**: Mrs. Palmlund and Mr. Bettin shared information about ways to embrace technology and utilize it effectively to enhance learning. Some common apps include: Magic School, Eduaide.Ai, Copilot and QuillBot. Al can process a lot of information in a short amount of time but still requires the user to review and edit.

**Discussion regarding Standard Response Protocol for school crisis**. Mrs. Abi shared an overview of the actions to take in an emergency. The actions included: HOLD - in your room/area, SECURE – get inside and lock exterior doors, LOCKDOWN – lock doors, shut off lights and get out of sight, EVACUATE – to a specified location, and SHELTER – hazard and safety strategy. Training was provided to staff and students. Information is also being communicated with parents.

<u>Motion #2432 Fuel Purchase Option</u>: on motion by J.Tolzin, seconded by N.Koehlmoos to approve using Voyager Fuel Cards to purchase fuel where credit cards are accepted and also work with Rich's Gas n' Service.

<u>Motion #2433 Procedures for T&A Accounts</u>: on motion by E.Buckmiller, seconded by J.Tolzin, to approve new procedures for Trust and Agency Accounts.

<u>Motion #2434 School Board Policies</u>: on motion by E.Buckmiller, seconded by N.Koehlmoos, to approve the following school board policies: KLB-Public Complaints about the Curriculum or Instruction Materials, KLB(E)-Public Complaints about the Curriculum or Instructional Materials Form, IIAC-Library Materials Selection and Adoption.

<u>Motion #2435 Executive Session</u>: on motion by N. Koehlmoos, seconded by J.Tolzin, to go into executive session at 6:18PM for Personnel pursuant to SDCL 11-25-2(1). Regular session resumed at 6:40PM. <u>Motion #2436 Elect Vice-President</u>: on motion by J.Tolzin, seconded by N.Koehlmoos, to approve Evan Buckmiller as Vice President of the De Smet School District Board of Education for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year.

<u>Motion #2437 Appoint NESC Representative</u>: on motion by J.Tolzin, seconded by E.Buckmiller, to approve appointing Norm Koehlmoos as primary NESC Representative and Evan Buckmiller as secondary NESC Representative.

The next regular scheduled board meeting is Monday, December 11 at 5:30PM in the Library.

<u>Motion #2438 Adjournment</u>: There being no further business at this time, on motion by, E.Buckmiller, seconded by J.Tolzin, to adjourn at 6:41PM.

ATTEST: Shane Roth, President

Cassi Johnson, Business Manager

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