

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 in regular session pursuant to due notice at 5:30 PM on Monday, June 15, 2026 in the high school library. Those in attendance were Shane Roth, Evan Buckmiller, Daniel Albrecht, Blake Hojer, and Nick Wilkinson. Others in attendance included: Superintendent Dr. Abi Van Regenmorter, Principal Daniel Bettin, Business Manager Cassi Johnson, Leslie Tvedt, Rhonda Siefker, Brian Bindert, Laurie Casper, Steven Wienk, Lindsay Nolte, and Marlys Larsen.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

AGENDA – Motion to approve to approve the agenda with the change to move Beef to School Program discussion following Consent Agenda. This motion, made by Evan Buckmiller, seconded by Nick Wilkinson.

DELEGATIONS - None

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE - None

ELECTION CANVASSING AND APPROVAL OF SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION RESULTS  
- Motion to approve the election results in which Evan Buckmiller received the highest number of votes in relation to the one vacancy and therefore, earned a three-year term on the De Smet School Board. This motion, made by Blake Hojer, seconded by Daniel Albrecht.

**Official Canvass Sheet**

Date of Election - June 2, 2026

Type of Election - School Board

Number of Registered Voters on the day of the election - 1217  
Number of Registered Voters who voted in the election - 384  
Percentage of Registered Voters who voted in the election - 32%

Candidates and Votes Received

Evan Buckmiller 222

Cody Siver 161

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CONSENT AGENDA - Motion to approve the consent agenda. This motion, made by Daniel Albrecht, seconded by Evan Buckmiller. Blake Hojer abstained.

**Approval and/or corrections of minutes of previous meeting:** Regular Meeting May 11, 2026.

**Approval and/or corrections to the financial report:**

GENERAL FUND:

Revenue - Ad Valorem Tax 675,827.89; Interest 231.69; Activity Host Fees 2400.00; Other 588.50; County Apportionment 2056.60; Revenue in Lieu 11,234.00; State Aid 136,638.00; FFVP Reimbursement 2009.72

Disbursements -351,794.75

TOTAL GENERAL FUND CASH BALANCE - \$689,944.02

CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND:

Revenue - Ad Valorem Tax 569,234.82; Interest 1741.91

Disbursements - 3445.43

Adjustment - 604.21

TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND CASH BALANCE - \$3,002,705.45

SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND:

Revenue - Ad Valorem Tax 336,879.69; Medicaid 518.76; Other 262.00

Disbursements - 67,936.29

SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND CASH BALANCE - \$368,885.18

BOND REDEMPTION FUND:

Revenue - Ad Valorem Tax 237,224.27

Disbursements - 0

BOND REDEMPTION FUND CASH BALANCE - \$323,297.25

FOOD SERVICE FUND:

Revenue - Interest 337.61; Sales to Students 5683.83; District Paid Meals 5434.25; SNP Reimbursement 8328.67

Disbursements - 25,453.98

Adjustment - -604.21

TOTAL FOOD SERVICE FUND CASH BALANCE - \$-69,228.45

ENTERPRISE FUND:

Revenue - Drivers Ed Fee 6375.00

Disbursements - 0

TOTAL ENTERPRISE FUND CASH BALANCE - \$11,042.03

SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

Revenue - 2000.00

Disbursements - 0

SCHOLARSHIP FUND CASH BALANCE: \$42,134.42

TRUST AND CUSTODIAL FUND:

Revenues - 21,184.17

Disbursements - 16,519.29

TOTAL TRUST AND CUSTODIAL FUND CASH BALANCE - \$79,297.45

**Consideration and approval of all bills**

**GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:** AUTO-OWNERS drivers ed car 460.20;

CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS copies 798.44; CITY OF DE SMET water, dump fees 923.19; CR MECHANICAL repairs 1103.03; DE SMET SCHOOL Seconds 1792.50 + Staff Meals 860.05; IMPREST reimburse May expenses 8262.84; DUST-TEX SERVICE cleaning service 560.84; G&R CONTROLS repairs 841.48; GRAVES IT services 250.00; HAMLIN SCHOOL Region 2B Golf 49.97; HILLYARD supplies 2441.96; INNOVATIVE supplies 122.88; KINGSBURY ELECTRIC radio tower, repairs 441.07; KINGSBURY JOURNAL publications 1691.39; MAYNARDS supplies 457.74; NESC services 80.84; NORTHWESTERN ENERGY gas 520.52; O'KEEFE IMPLEMENT supplies 559.51; OTTERTAIL electricity 4169.35; PFLEET fuel 5595.00; PALMLUND AUTOMOTIVE repairs 890.91; PERFORMANCE FOODS food supplies 1008.95; SASD membership and registration 852.00; SDHSAA rulebook order 184.00; SHERWIN-WILLIAMS paint 90.01; TRUSTWORTHY supplies 42.12; US POSTAL SERVICE postage lease 126.00; VALLEY FIBERCOM phone 757.75

**GENERAL FUND AUTO-PAY EXPENDITURES:** AMAZON supplies 71.16; AVID HAWK website 45.00; COMPASS/BHSSC membership 1800.00; BROOKINGS COUNTRY CLUB golf 390.40; COWBOY COUNTRY STORES fuel 90.99; DAYS INN SIOUX FALLS hotel State Track 251.73; DESMET FLOWERS AND GIFTS retirement gifts 164.88; DE SMET MERCANTILE election expense 51.32; DOLLAR GENERAL supplies 7.97; EDGEBROOK GOLF COURSE golf 87.98; FAIRFIELD INN State Track hotel 6084.00; GARNER HOTEL State Golf hotel 524.52; GPTZERO subscription 23.99; KANSAS TURNPIKE toll road fees 8.04; KINGSBURY CTY TREASURER title fees 31.65; HEGGERTY curriculum 377.36; LOWES supplies 126.14; MAIN STOP fuel 73.45; ORIENTAL TRADING supplies 56.97; RUDDIES fuel 45.01; SHERWIN-WILLIAMS paint 194.42; TPT supplies 177.10; LOVES fuel 77.48  
**TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES: \$46,696.10**

**CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND EXPENDITURES:** FOREMAN SALES repairs 3074.12; KAISER WELL DRILLING drive for well 5157.14; SHI software 3342.28; SOFTWARE UNLIMITED software 7400.00; SPIELMAN EXCAVATING drainage project 12,450.00

**CAPITAL OUTLAY AUTO-PAY EXPENDITURES:** AMAZON library books 8.99  
**TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND EXPENDITURES: \$31,432.53**

**SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND EXPENDITURES:** NESC services and tuition 9860.84

**TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND EXPENDITURES: \$9860.84**

**FOOD SERVICE FUND EXPENDITURES:** IMPREST lunch account refunds 489.72; EAST SIDE JERSEY DAIRY milk 648.46; MAYNARDS food supplies 47.47; PERFORMANCE FOODS food supplies 2526.21

**TOTAL FOOD SERVICE FUND EXPENDITURES: \$3711.86**

**ENTERPRISE FUND AUTO PAY EXPENDITURES:** Main Stop fuel 160.95

**TOTAL ENTERPRISE FUND EXPENDITURES: \$160.95**

**Approve DAK13 Prime Vendor Contract with Performance Foodservice for the 2026-2027 school year.**

**Approval of Resignations:** Blake Hojer, JH Football; Tianna De Jong, JH Volleyball

**Approval of Signed Contracts:** Cody Cavanaugh (Elementary Teacher); Blake Hojer (Head Football Coach); Tianna De Jong (Assistant Volleyball); Rhonda Siefker (Business Manager); and Zach Jacobs (Head of Facilities).

BEEF TO SCHOOL PROGRAM DISCUSSION - Laurie Casper and Steve Wienk from the Kingsbury County Cattlemen Association provided an overview of the Beef to School Program. When the program was implemented four years ago, the cost was approximately \$1500 for the critter and \$800 for processing. Prices have increased, and the cost is now approximately \$3500 for a critter and \$1200 for processing. KCCA and the De Smet School are appreciative of donations toward the program in the form of critters and processing fees. KCCA hosts burger feeds throughout the year to assist with offsetting costs as well. The KCCA and School Board desire to continue a partnership, knowing there may be additional costs to the school district.

DISCUSSION ON PROPERTY & AUTO INSURANCE. Brian Bindert shared umbrella limits and premium rates with and without auto insurance. The school is waiting on Auto-Owners to provide updated premiums before determining an umbrella limit. For insurance purposes, the track and football field complex is now defined as a building, rather than separating out the grandstand, fence, track surface, and personal property as separate items. No action was taken.

#### REPORTS:

- NESC Report: Shane Roth shared an update from the May meeting.
- Education Enhancement Foundation - No report.
- Legislative Report - No report.
- Buildings & Facilities - No report. The committee will be meeting next week.
- Administrative Reports:
  - Business Manager Johnson introduced Rhonda Siefker as the new business manager. The office has been focusing on training and preparing for end of year reporting.
  - Principal/Athletic Director Bettin highlighted spring athletic accomplishments. State Track Meet was May 28-30 in Sioux Falls. Hazel Luethmers was State Champion in High Jump; Ivey Schoenfelder was 3rd in Discus & 6th in Shot Put; Audi Currier was 4th in Discus; Adalyn Gross was 4th in Triple Jump; Girls 4X200 Relay (Gemma Luethmers, Hazel Luethmers, Charli McCune, & Adalyn Gross) 5th Place; 4X400 Relay (Adalyn Gross, Gemma Luethmers, Aubree Blue, & Hazel Luethmers) 8th Place; Rogan Albrecht was 6th in 100M, 7th in the 200M, & 6th in the 400M; Owen Anderson 8th in the 400M & 7th in the 110M Hurdles; Grant Wilkinson was 6th in the Shot Put & 8th in the Discus. The Girls placed 7th overall and boys placed 19th overall. We had 24 individuals/relays qualify and took 37 athletes to the meet. Mr. Lo was named 2026 Area 2 Class "B" Track and Field Coach of the Year. State Golf was June 1 & 2 in Brookings. Max Kees placed 4th overall and the boys team finished in 10th place.

- Superintendent Van Regenmorter shared that unofficial test scores show De Smet scores above the state average with Math at 58% (state 46%) and English at 60% (state 49%). The 7th & 8th grade ELA scores were exceptionally high at 77% & 82%! Kudos to Mr. Lo!

MOTION TO APPROVE DUAL CREDIT POLICY. Motion to approve the dual credit policy. This motion, made by Daniel Albrecht, seconded by Nick Wilkinson.

MOTION TO APPROVE SPECIAL EDUCATION COMPREHENSIVE PLAN. Motion to approve the Special Education Comprehensive Plan. This motion, made by Evan Buckmiller, seconded by Blake Hojer.

MOTION TO APPROVE KINGSBURY COUNTY WRESTLING COOPERATIVE PLAN. Motion to approve the Kingsbury County Wrestling Cooperative Plan. This motion, made by Nick Wilkinson, seconded by Evan Buckmiller.

APPROVE BUSINESS MANAGER PAYING FY2026 BILLS PRIOR TO THE REGULAR JULY BOARD MEETING. Motion to approve business manager paying fiscal year 2026 bills prior to the July board meeting. This motion, made by Blake Hojer, seconded by Nick Wilkinson.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING POLICIES: IGBI - Assignment to Alternative Setting; EFB - Free and Reduced Price Food Services; FC - Facilities Capitalization Program; DIB - Types of Funds; JHCDA - Student Self-Administration of Asthma, Anaphylaxis, or Diabetes Medication; JHCDA-E(1) - Authorization Form; JHCDC - Diabetes Health Care and Insulin Administration; JHG - Reporting Child Abuse; IGA - Basic Instructional Program; JHCDB - Epinephrine Auto-Injectors and Nasal Spray; BDDC - Agenda Preparation and Dissemination; BDC - Executive Sessions; BBB - School Board Elections; BDDG - Minutes  
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EXECUTIVE SESSION - Personnel Matters - Pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1).  
Motion to approve to move into executive session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) for Personnel Matters at 6:04 PM. This motion, made by Blake Hojer, seconded by Nick Wilkinson.

President Roth declared the board out of executive session at 6:26 PM.

ADJOURNMENT. Motion to approve to adjourn at 6:27 PM. This motion, made by Blake Hojer, seconded by Daniel Albrecht.

ATTEST: Shane Roth, President  
Cassi Johnson, Business Manager