

**DAKOTA VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT #61-8
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
AUGUST 9, 2010
APPROVED MINUTES
DAKOTA VALLEY ADMINISTRATION CENTER

REGULAR SESSION – 7:00 PM**

*** All motions are carried and unanimously approved unless otherwise indicated.**

The Regular Meeting of the Dakota Valley Board of Education was called to order by Chairperson Gunderson at 7:02 pm on August 9, 2010. Roll Call indicated the following members present: Gunderson, Smith, Reiff, and Sexton. Administrators Leber, Hamm, Clements, Halverson, Hummel, Rasmussen, Ashmore, King, and Steckelberg were also in attendance along with a Dakota Valley teacher and student.

Leber led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A recognition of visitors was held to identify any community member who wish to address the board about any item on the current agenda.

Anna Michaelson a Dakota Valley teacher along with a Dakota Valley student gave the board a presentation on the yearbook camp that they attended over the summer.

#0042 - Motion by Smith, second by Reiff, to approve the minutes of the Annual July 12, 2010 Board of Education Meeting minutes as presented.

#0043 - Motion by Smith, second by Reiff, to approve the agenda as presented.

Superintendent Leber gave the board an update on the construction progress.

#0044 – Motion by Reiff, second by Sexton, to approve pay application #13 in the amount of \$57,158.98 to Gil Haugan Construction for their work on the Nylen Science Center.

#0045 – Motion by Smith, second by Reiff, to approve pay application #15 in the amount of \$41,000.00 to Gil Haugan Construction for the final payment of the classroom additions project.

A discussion was held on putting A/C in the HS and MS gyms, Superintendent Leber said it could get done for \$10,000 to \$15,000; the board gave Superintendent Leber permission to have the company get started on it.

#0046 - Motion by Reiff, second by Smith, to approve the current bills/claims as presented.

#0047 – Motion by Sexton, second by Smith, to approve and file the financial statements as presented.

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Administrative reports were reviewed.

A discussion was lead by Administrator Ashmore about how the Special Education program might need an additional aide for the 2010-11 school year if they get any additional students before the school year begins.

A discussion was held on kids riding bikes to school. The board agreed to let middle school kids ride their bikes to school on a 1 month trial basis.

#0048 - Motion by Sexton, second by Reiff, to approve the following home school applications.

1. #10-002
2. #10-003
3. #10-004
4. #10-005
5. #10-006
6. #10-007
7. #10-008
8. #10-009
9. #10-010
10. #10-011
11. #10-012

Motion to approve the open enrollment applications was tabled until the end of the board meeting.

#0049 - Motion by Smith, second by Reiff, to approve the surplus property from the High School.

#0050 – Motion by Reiff, second by Smith, to approve the Elementary School learning center (pilot project) for the 2010 – 11 school year, with an estimated cost of \$3,000 - \$5,000.

#0051 - Motion by Reiff, second by Smith, to approve donating the Kubota lawn mower, the John Deere Gator, and \$5000 a year to the DVNSC Recreation Complex.

#0052 – Motion by Reiff, second by Smith, to approve the Maintenance Directors request to purchase a new Grasshopper 930D lawn mower at a cost of \$15,500.00.

#0053 – Motion by Sexton, second by Reiff, to approve changing the 2010-11 school year milk prices from \$.40 to \$.35 and the extra entrée prices from \$1.40 to \$1.50 because of a typo on last month's board agenda.

#0054 – Motion by Reiff, second by Smith, to approve the following resolution;

Resolution to request authorization of referendum

WHEREAS, Section 3-11-5 of South Dakota Codified Law establishes procedures whereby members of retirement systems in political subdivisions may obtain social security coverage, and

WHEREAS, it is deemed to be desirable that the **Dakota Valley School District 61-8** obtain said Social Security coverage of its employees;

THEREFORE. Be it resolved that the **Dakota Valley School District 61-8** desiring to obtain social security coverage of services of its employees in positions covered by the South Dakota Retirement System, respectfully requests the South Dakota State Social Security-IRS Division to authorize the necessary referendum among the eligible employees of the **Dakota Valley School District 61-8** as to whether a majority of such employees desire social security coverage.

#0055 – Motion by Sexton, second by Smith, to approve the Technology Director's request to lease/purchase a computer network backbone from Cisco at a yearly rate of around \$50,000.

#0056 – Motion by Reiff, second by Sexton, to approve a vote for Steve Dick(West Central) for the Small Group Board of Education Position on the SDHSAA Board of Directors.

#0057 – Motion by Reiff, second by Sexton, to approve the Knife River Asphalt Company's proposal to patch the holes in the HS/MS driveway at a cost of \$7,361.50.

A discussion was held regarding when the policy committee should meet. It was agreed that they would meet the last Wednesday of every month at 7:30am.

#0058 – Motion by Smith, second by Sexton, to approve the following personnel matters;

Resignations;

1. Julie Thomson from her 8th grade Volleyball coach.

Contracts

1. Tami Gibson from a .5 FTE Para-professional to a 1.0 FTE Para- professional.
2. Venetia Gaini as a Special Education Para-professional at (AA/Praxis Step 1 at \$9.65).
3. Laura Siffin as a Special Education Para-professional at (Non-Certified Step 1 at \$9.50).
4. Stacey Bigler as a Special Education Para-professional at (Non-Certified Step 1 at \$9.50).
5. Rebecca Rieken as Middle School Play Director at (Step 1, \$463.50.).

6. Michele Bull as a First Grade Teacher at (BA+15, Step 11 at \$38,700.00).
7. Holli Huls as a MS Volleyball coach at (Step 1 \$1,545.00)

#0059 – Motion by Reiff, second by Smith, to move into executive session at 8:10 pm to discuss personnel and student matters.

Executive session ended at 8:40pm.

#0060 – Motion by Sexton, second by Smith, to approve the open enrollment application of Patrick Kerr for his son Shawn Kerr (11th grade).

#0061 - Motion by Reiff, second by Smith, to approve the open enrollment application of Amy Mcnamara for her daughter McKenzie (7th grade) and Kiley (4th grade).

#0062 – Motion by Reiff, second by Smith, to deny the open enrollment application for Randall Umphress for his son Joshua (12th grade).

#0063 – Motion by Reiff, second by Smith, to adjourn at 8:59pm

Mike Hamm
Business Manager

Kathy Gunderson
Chairperson

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