

**DAKOTA VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT #61-8
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MARCH 9, 2009
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 7:05 pm on March 9, 2009. Roll Call indicated the following members present: Gunderson, Reiff, Sexton, Heeren and White. Administrators Leber, Hamm, King, Steckelberg, Rasmussen, Halverson, Ashmore, Hummel, and Clements, Dakota Valley Teachers and members of the Dakota Valley Dance Team were also in attendance.

Leber led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#0135 – Motion by Reiff, second by White, to approve the agenda as presented.

Spotlight on Education – Ashley Gordon, Lori Hixson, and Cassandra Long of the Dakota Valley Dance Team gave the board a brief description of their experiences at Nationals in Minnesota.

#0136 – Motion by Heeren, second by White, to approve the minutes of the following Board of Education meetings as presented.

1. February 9, 2009 – Regular School Board Meeting.
2. February 17, 2009 – Special Board Meeting with the following correction.
 - a. Gunderson was present via speakerphone.

#0137 – Motion by White, second by Sexton, to approve the following RFP's for the ES/MS/HS Additions and Renovations construction project.

1. RFP #15 in the amount of \$3,500.39.
2. RFP #17 in the amount of \$1,162.70.
3. RFP #18 in the amount of \$1,472.95.

#0138 – Motion by White, second by Heeren, to approve Pay Application #8 for Gil Haugan Construction in the amount of \$312,934.47.

#0139 – Motion by Heeren, second by Reiff, to approve the current bills/claims as presented.

#0140 – Motion by Reiff, second by White, to approve and file the financial statements dated February 28, 2009 as presented.

Community Input – Joe Rarratt a Jefferson School Alumni Rep spoke with the Board in regards to the Jefferson High School Trophies and Memorabilia that is currently being stored at Dakota Valley, Joe would like the Board to send a letter releasing the Memorabilia. The Board asked the Superintendent to investigate the terms of the lease agreement and then report back to the board.

Scott Sexton spoke on behalf of the NSC/DV Recreation Board requesting funds for repairs and upkeep on the baseball fields.

#0141 – Motion by Heeren, second by Gunderson, to approve a \$5000 contribution to the NSC/DV Recreation Board.

#0142 – Motion by Reiff, second by Heeren, to approve the 2009-2010 school calendar as presented. The motion passed on a 4-1 vote.

#0143 – Motion by Reiff, second by Heeren, to approve the one-to-one laptop initiative in the high school for all equipment needed and for a week training session for High School Teachers during the summer.

#0144 – Motion by Heeren, second by White, to approve the contract with Certified Testing Services, Inc in the amount of \$5,785 to provide construction and materials inspection during the construction of the Nylen Science Center.

#0145 – Motion by Sexton, second by White, to set the Drivers Education rate as follows, available spots will be given in order as follows.

1. Current High School students - \$250.
2. Current Middle School students - \$250.
3. Students living in the district that don't attend Dakota Valley School - \$250.
4. Students living outside the district that don't attend Dakota Valley School - \$300.

The motion to consider approval of the donation from Dana and Cy Chesterman Foundation was tabled.

#0146 – Motion by Heeren, second by Reiff, to approve the Scholarship Committee's request for two \$500 scholarships for graduating seniors with a preference in education, one to a female student and one to a male student.

#0147 – Motion by Heeren, second by White, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding #6 which will change the placement of the Speech Clinicians on the salary schedule from MA step 1 to the new starting level of MA step 8.

#0148 – Motion by Reiff, second by White, to approve home school application #8016.

#0149 – Motion by White, second by Sexton, to approve the open enrollment request of Joni & Rodney Ballinger for her son Brodey.

#0150 – Motion by Reiff, second by White, to approve moving the April Board Meeting from the 13th to the 14th.

#0151 – Motion by White, second by Sexton, to approve the following appointments to the Equalization Boards:

1. City of North Sioux City – Reiff
2. Union County – Sexton
3. Big Sioux Township – Gunderson
4. Jefferson Township – Sexton

Board Member Heeren left at 8:36pm.

#0152 – Motion by White, second by Sexton, to approve the following personnel matters:

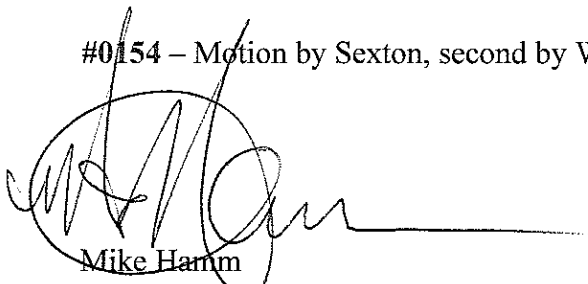
1. Shelly Richou for MS Track Coach in the amount of \$1,455.00.
2. Cory Carter for Head Baseball Coach in the amount of \$2,037.00.
3. Rob Augustine for Asst. Boys Baseball Coach in the amount of \$1,018.50.
4. Resignation for Jeff Hamm as the MS Boys Basketball Coach.
5. Maternity leave for Andrea Johnson on or about May 8, 2009.
6. Carol Case request to reduce her from .625 FTE to .5 FTE effective July 1st 2009.

#0153 – Motion by White, second by Reiff, to move into executive session at 8:36pm.

Included in executive session were administrators Leber and Hamm.

Executive session ended at 8:53pm.

#0154 – Motion by Sexton, second by White, to adjourn at 8:53pm.



Mike Hamm
Business Manager



Kathy Gunderson
Chairperson