

**DAKOTA VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT #61-8
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
FEBRUARY 12, 2024
UNAPPROVED MINUTES
DAKOTA VALLEY BOARD ROOM**

REGULAR SESSION – 6:00 PM

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

The regular meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kistner at 6:01 pm on February 12, 2024. Roll Call indicated the following members present: Dooley, Kistner, Nilges, Thompson, and Weber. Absent: None. Administrators Dr. Warzecha, Business Manager Sponder, and School Attorney Tyler Coverdale were in attendance.

Chairperson Kistner welcomed the visitors. Rick Wegher spoke regarding the Union Crossing Development.

Motion by Kistner, seconded by Thompson to approve the amended agenda.

No new conflict of interest disclosure was presented.

Motion by Nilges, seconded by Dooley to approve the consent agenda.

Business Manager Sponder shared that school board petitions are due by March 8, 2024, at 5:00 pm.

Business Manager Sponder shared the health inspection reports for the elementary, upper elementary/middle school, and high school.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Weber to go into executive session per SDCL 1-25-2.3 for legal advice. The board went into executive session at 6:11 pm. Dr. Warzecha, Business Manager Sponder, and School Attorney Tyler Coverdale were in attendance. The board declared out of executive session at 7:26 pm.

Motion by Dooley, seconded by Weber to approve the following resignations and contracts:

Resignations

1. Carli Serrano, Concession Stand Supervisor, effective at the end of the 2023-24 school year.
2. James Schmidt, HS CTE Teacher, effective at the end of the 2023-24 school year.

New Hires

1. Ashlyn Williams, Special Education Paraprofessional, Step 1, \$16.40 pending the anticipated resignation of a special education paraprofessional.

Dr. Warzecha presented information on the policy and handbook review. After discussion motion by Dooley, seconded by Nilges to refer to policy committee.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Weber to approve the change in lunch prices for students on reduced-priced lunches to be free for the remainder of the 2023-24 school year.

Motion by Weber, seconded by Dooley to approve all students receiving free breakfast during National School Breakfast Week, March 4-8, 2024.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Weber to approve the administrator contract renewals for the 2024-25 school year with salaries to be determined later.

Dr. Warzecha recognized the school board for their years of commitment and service to Dakota Valley in honor of school board recognition week which is February 19-23, 2024.

Written student ambassador reports were shared.

Written administrator reports were received.

Dr. Warzecha shared a legislative update.

Motion by Weber, seconded by Thompson to adjourn at 8:03 pm.

Jill Sponder
Business Manager

Steve Kistner
Chairperson

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