

DAKOTA VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT #61-8
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
JULY 24, 2024
UNAPPROVED MINUTES
DAKOTA VALLEY BOARD ROOM

SPECIAL SESSION – 6:00 PM

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

The special meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kistner at 6:00 pm on July 24, 2024. Roll Call indicated the following members present: Dooley, Kistner, Nilges, Norby, and Thompson. Absent: None. Administrators Dr. Warzecha and Business Manager Sponder were in attendance.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Nilges to approve the agenda.

No new conflict of interest disclosure was presented.

Dr. Warzecha shared updates on the plan to repair the elementary land washout due to the flood.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Norby to declare a state of emergency due to the flood. The school buildings did not sustain any damage and are safe and clean. However, land to the east and north of the elementary school has been washed away causing the geothermal lines that heat/cool the elementary school to be exposed; the playground fence was damaged/washed away, and a significant amount of dirt will need to be brought in to fill in the areas that were washed away.

Motion by Dooley, seconded by Norby to give Dr. Warzecha authority to move forward with repairing/securing the school grounds and geothermal lines to ensure the safety of the students and so that school can start on time.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Nilges to approve the following resignations and contracts:

Resignations

1. Brooke Ehlers, Girls Golf Coach.
2. Jenna McCabe, Special Education Paraprofessional.
3. Demi Harlan, Asst HS Student Council Advisor.
4. Alicia Kenyon, MS/HS Library Paraprofessional.
5. Dana Chesterman, Special Education Paraprofessional.

New Hires

1. Demi Harlan, HS Student Council Advisor.
2. Jason Jund, Asst HS Student Council Advisor.
3. Michael Whittlef, Head 8th Gr. Volleyball Coach, Asst. 7th Gr. Boys Basketball Coach, Head MS Boy's Track Coach.
4. Isabel Lovejoy, 7th Gr. Science Teacher.
5. Savannah Nash, HS Industrial Arts Teacher.

Dr Warzecha presented an enrollment update.

Motion by Norby, seconded by Thompson to advertise for a 2nd Gr. Teacher for one year.

Motion by Nilges, seconded by Norby to adjourn at 7:02 pm.

Jill Sponder
Business Manager

Steve Kistner
Chairperson

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