

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

A regular meeting of the School Board, Spink County, South Dakota, of Redfield School District #56-4 was held at 6:00p.m. on the 8th day of November, 2021 with the following members present: Wurtz, Appel, Evans, Piehl, and Lambert. Also present were Seiler, Edwards, and Becker.

Board Chair Wurtz called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public participation-Terry Downing spoke on how great the new school is, and how he is glad to no longer have the construction mess on his block. He also mentioned that the lights in the new parking lot north of the school were burnt out, however, he wouldn't mind them staying burnt out or being adjusted once the lights are replaced. The lights as they are very bright and shine right into his windows of his house. See the Opt Out Discussion for the other public participation.

Action #44 – Motion by Lambert, second by Appel to approve the agenda. Yes-All; Motion carried.

Action #45– Motion by Evans, second by Appel to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2021 meeting. Yes-All; Motion carried.

Action #46 - Motion by Lambert, second by Evans to approve the consent agenda. Yes-All; Motion carried.

A. Approve Bills: \$102,369.44 for the General, Special Education, Bond Redemption, and Food Service funds.

Action #47 – Motion by Piehl, second by Lambert to approve the monthly financial statement as presented and place it on record. Yes-All; Motion carried.

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF OCTOBER SALARIES:

Elementary Instruction	\$72,442.60
Middle School Instruction	\$36,851.70
High School Instruction	\$56,786.05
Title I	\$7,322.66
Title ID	\$557.53
Title IIA	\$30,40.24
Coalition	\$8,672.38
Technology	\$4,458.33
Board of Education	\$500.00
Guidance	\$5,948.22
Nurse	\$2,062.88
Media Center	\$1,556.35
Superintendent's Office	\$8,623.12
Principal's Office	\$17,170.64
Business Office	\$3,437.50
Custodians	\$14,051.63
Transportation	\$4,986.74
Extra Curricular	\$2,012.50
Special Education	\$82,944.01
Food Service	<u>\$7,901.31</u>
	\$338,286.15

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH BALANCES:

	Balance 10/1/2021	Receipts	Disbursed	Balance 10/31/2021
General Fund	\$1,004,873.10	\$371,823.23	\$436,002.03	\$940,694.30
Capital Outlay	\$1,354,845.76	\$14,366.30	\$2,491.62	\$1,366,720.44
Special Education	\$327,968.01	\$8,647.59	\$120,523.69	\$216,091.91
Debt Service Fund	\$(379,526.27)	\$9,942.60	\$0.00	-\$369,583.67
Food Service Fund	\$80,498.95	\$37,607.40	\$14,258.39	\$103,747.96
Charged Programming	\$7,526.91	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,526.91

Agency Funds	\$166,793.13	\$48,065.44	\$22,073.13	\$192,785.44
Trust Funds	\$51,078.70	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$51,078.70
Total	\$2,614,058.29	\$490,452.56	\$595,448.86	\$2,509,061.99

Action #48 – No motion this month on Volunteer Coaches. Will take action at the next board meeting.

Covid policy was discussed after a small breakout in one classroom. No changes were made at this time to the policy, but they will revisit the discussion if any other breakouts happen in classrooms.

An Opt out was discussed and Mr. Seiler had an opt out presentation that can be found on the school district website. This opt will be on the agenda of every board meeting through February. After that the board will discuss whether they will move forward. This opt out is not asking for more money from taxpayers, but instead, moving how the school gets some of their funding. Funding would be shifted from capital outlay to general fund. This would allow for a reduction in the taxes for agriculture and an increase in taxes for homeowners and businesses. There is a calculator available on the Redfield School website, this calculator will show you how your taxes would be affected each year based on a \$100,000 or \$400,000 opt out. A video on the website will walk people through how to use the opt out calculator. If you have questions or concerns, contact Mr. Seiler at 605-472-4520 or through email at george.seiler@k12.sd.us Please make sure to join the board at one of the upcoming board meetings.

Opt Out Public Participation – Dave Marlow asked why there is a consideration for the opt out. Mr. Seiler said it is to shift the tax burden from land owners. Stacey Marlow asked how long the opt out would be in place. Mr. Seiler stated they are good for 5 years. Jay Esser mentioned that the legislature put this into effect years ago and having this opt out pass would make the tax burden more fair among the land, business, and home owners. Dave Albrecht asked are there any other districts doing this type of opt Out currently. Mr. Seiler stated that the opt outs other districts are currently asking for are for more Money not just shifting what they already have like this opt out for our district would do. Mr. Albrecht also why we would need to shift the money from Capital Outlay to General. The shift is for salaries.

Action #49 – Motion by Evans, second by Lambert to approve the bond payment to US Bank for \$549,875.00 Yes-All; Motion carried.

Action #50 – Motion by Evans, second by Piehl to approve and sign the MOU surveillance agreement. Yes-All; Motion carried.

Action #51 – Motion by Appel, second by Evans to approve board policies JOA (student directory information), JFB (education of homeless children), JEG (exemptions from school attendance), JEE (student attendance accounting), JED (student absences and excuses), JEA (compulsory attendance ages) with the exception of JECAA (students enrolling from alternative instruction and unaccredited schools).

Action #52 – Motion by Appel, second by Evans to raise Activity Driver pay to \$15 an hour. Yes-All; Motion carried.

Mr. Seiler provided the Elementary report. Redfield preschool was just named an Exemplary Preschool.

Miss Becker provided the Middle School and High School Report. Some highlights in October were the following: NHS Induction, State Golf, Monthly Principles Meeting, MS Choir Festival. Grades are due week. Conferences were on October 29th and quite a few teachers had a low turn out from parents and guardians. Currently we have 134 Middles Schoolers and 171 High Schoolers enrolled.

Mr. Seiler provided the Superintendent report. The school report card will be discussed in December. He discussed board training with Jim Hollbeck. The board has decided they will complete this training in February.

Action #53 – Motion by Lambert, second by Evans to adjourn at 7:57p.m. Yes-All; Motion carried.

Approved on this 13th day of December, 2021:

_____ Board Chairman

_____ Business Manager