

**DAKOTA VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT #61-8
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MARCH 10, 2025
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 6:00 pm on March 10, 2025. Roll Call indicated the following members present: Hanson, Kistner, Nilges, Norby (via Zoom), and Thompson. Absent: None. Administrators Dr. Warzecha and Business Manager Sponder were in attendance.

Chairperson Kistner welcomed the visitors.

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

No new conflict of interest disclosure was presented.

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

Business Manager Sponder presented the food service health inspection reports for the Elementary, UE/MS, and High Schools. The district received a perfect score in all three buildings.

Motion by Hanson, seconded by Thompson to approve the FY24 audit report.

Student ambassador reports were presented.

Written administrator reports were received.

Business Manager Sponder shared an election update. There were two 3-year terms and one 1-year term open. Petitions were due by Friday, March 7, 2025, at 5:00 pm. The district received two petitions for the 3-year terms and one petition for the 1-year term, therefore the election scheduled for April 15, 2025, is cancelled. The terms will be filled with petitions received from Steve Kistner and Andrew Nilges for the two 3-year terms and Jessica Hanson for the 1-year term.

Dr. Warzecha shared an update on the Northshore bypass project.

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

Resignations

1. Andrew Johnson, Driver's Education Teacher.
2. Brian Lemaster, MS/HS Band Teacher, effective at the end of the 2024-25 school year.

New Hires

1. Jeff Hamm, Driver's Education Teacher, \$34.00 hr. class instruction.
2. Kim Metzgar, SLP for the 2025-26 school year.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Nilges to approve automatic payments between board meetings for HealthEquity.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Hanson to approve the appointment of Andrew Nilges as Big Sioux Township, Steve Kistner as Jefferson Township, and Jesica Hanson as City of North Sioux City Board of Equalization Representatives.

Motion by Nilges, seconded by Thompson to go into Executive Session per SDCL 1-25-2.1 for personnel. The board went into executive session at 6:47 pm with Dr. Warzecha and Business Manager Sponder present. The board declared out of executive session at 7:34 pm.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Hanson to approve renewing certified teacher contracts for the 2025-26 school year as presented with salaries to be determined later. Ayes: Hanson, Kistner, Norby, Thompson. Abstain: Nilges.

Motion by Nilges, seconded by Thompson to adjourn at 7:34 pm.

Jill Sponder
Business Manager

Steve Kistner
Chairperson

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