

SANDRIDGE SD 172 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Thursday, March 19, 2026 6:00P.M.

Media Center, 2950 Glenwood Dyer Road, Lynwood, Illinois 60411

Mrs Sonja Jenkins Brown: Present
Ms Janell Krueger: Present
Dr Stacey McJunkins: Present
Mrs Kim Newton: Present
Mrs Grace Snelling: Present
Jeff Walker: Present

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. **ROLL CALL: President Jenkins-Brown, Dr. McJunkins, Mrs. Snelling, Mr. Walker, Mrs. Krueger, Mrs. Newton,**
Discussion:

3. Superintendent Report

Presenter: Dr. Kim Nalls

Discussion:

Dr. Nalls discussed:

Conference Attendance: The Board will be selecting which conference they would like to attend. Specifics were presented on the costs and locations. It was emphasized how important it is to attend because of the professional development that is needed.

The Board will be asked to approve the payment of the Triple I Conference held in 2026, \$22,000.

Future Conferences to be held in 2027 will take place at the following locations:

Action 2

All minutes were amended due to an error in the July 17, 2026 Board Meeting.

4. Associate Superintendent Report

Presenter: Mr. Joe Kosina

Discussion: Mr. Kosina

Sex Equity Plan

There was a meeting held which emphasized what the program entailed. It emphasized but was not limited to ensuring all students have equal access to educational programs, services and all opportunities regardless of their sex.

There will be Training and Staff Development – Communication (Mr. Kosina is the reporting person). And there will also be Communication (Mr. Kosina is the reporting person)

5. Director of Student Support Services Report

Presenter: Mr. David Hook

Discussion: Mr. Hook Presented

There are a lot of behavioral needs that should be addressed.

K-2 areas have shown a lot of behavior challenges. There is an increase in defiance, verbal aggression and physical aggression. There is a lot more outsourcing due to these issues.

Meetings with parents is our start to do better with behaviors. We need to find out what are the underlying causes? The Social Worker is targeting and seeing if there is a behavior pattern or timeframe.

BCBA: People go to school to be board certified and the school needs this.

We are in need of a BCBA because we have a lot of children with autism issues and they are needed on a regular basis. Paras have been added to help out with the students.

BIP - Replace with positive behavior.

Our Goal:
Commitment to Student Success and supporting all students

6. Principals Report

Presenter: Ms. Kalea Polk

Discussion: Ms. Polk

Update on Institute Day Tuesday March 3rd.
Capturing kids hearts – Ways to make Sandridge better and Team Building, community,

Starting all meetings with good news. (Tell me something good)

Team building rock, papers scissors game. Mr Pearson has been a great new addition to the school.

Peer accountability

Parent Teacher Conferences: 367 classrooms were

visited.

Next steps:

Looking into summer school meetings. Retention letters are being sent out

Family Reading Night Testing in IAR

Science Fair 5:30-7:00

Children with special needs First 4-7 can the children be dropped off so that the parents will be able to have free time.

7. Finance Department Report: -Review and Approval of Bills \$259,263.04 **Presenter:** Mrs. Charlotte White

Discussion: Charltte White presented

\$259,000, etc.

RFP was sent out for custodial services. It went to 8 vendors on March 25th. The bids are due April 14th. We want the most responsible bidder.

Dr. Nalls

\$7,000,000 in reserves

Funds are divided into 9 areas The school is in a very healthy position. We are waiting for another balance of money to come in. In May, the money will be cut off. If the funds have not been used, they probably was not needed.

We will end the school year adding money to the reserve.

Important: Where did you start financially, and where did you end up? Sandridge has money in reserve and the money that has been spent was on the children.

We will end the school year with a surplus of \$534,572. The second allotment of money is not clear so far.

8. Building and Grounds Report

Discussion: Ms. White covered this subject. Ms. White and Mr Hayes are to look at other vendors. Open Kitchen is recommended.

9. Personnel Report

Discussion: Dr. Nalls presented

Presenter: Dr. Kim Nalls

Mr. Vander Kuyl resigned
Patty Moore Jackson resigned
Mr Pearson's salary is \$400 a day and he will
only work on days when students are present.

The children relate to Mr. Pearson well. The
board is asked to trust her judgment. We need to
keep children in school and not send them to
other places. Our students need special services
and this cannot be placed on a social worker.

Dr. Nalls stated that the children are suffering
from some mental challenges. We will vote on the
personnel report. A coordinator of cultural
climate. Mr. Pearson will do summer residency
work \$50 hourly. A summer Principal is needed at
\$200.

The closed session will be a revised model,
eliminating 2 positions and adding 2 positions.
We will be writing the new positions into our
grant next year.

10. MOTION TO ADJOURN FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Action(s) :

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WHOLE. This motion, made by Mrs Kim Newton and
seconded by Jeff Walker, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Mrs Sonja Jenkins Brown:	Yea
Ms Janell Krueger:	Yea
Dr Stacey McJunkins:	Yea
Mrs Kim Newton:	Yea
Mrs Grace Snelling:	Yea
Jeff Walker:	Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0

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Board Secretary