

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
DUPREE SCHOOL DISTRICT 64-2
ZIEBACH COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

The Board of Education of the Dupree School District No. 64-2 met for the Annual Reorganization Meeting on Monday, July 13, 2026, at 6:05 p.m. with Smith presiding.

Members present: Mandi Smith, Jesse (Jake) Longbrake, Medina Matonis (remote), Jenny Farlee and Kody Woodward

Members absent: none

Others present: Brent Mareska, Supt.; Connie Alspach, Bus. Mgr.; Cindy Lindskov, Elementary Principal and patrons.

All motions were passed by unanimous vote unless stated otherwise.

01-27-Motion by Woodward, seconded by Farlee to approve the agenda with the addition of Executive Session under personnel SDCL 1-25-2 (1).

SDCL Ch 3-23- Conflict of Interest Disclosure Requirement – none reported.

02-27-Motion by Farlee, seconded by Longbrake to approve the minutes of June 8, 2026, regular session and June 29, 2026, special session meetings.

03-27-Motion by Longbrake, seconded by Farlee to approve the Financial Statement & Reports as presented.

Beg. Bal. 06/01/2026	\$ 9,256,469.92
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Receipts

Taxes	49,268.67
Interest Earned	22,058.84
State of SD: FS & State reimb	14,021.86
State of SD: Title I, Title IV, FFV, 21st, REAP	69,555.00
State of SD: State Aid	278,035.00
State of SD: Medicaid	5,697.48
US Treasury (Title VI)	76,163.00
ASBSD: property insur (roof)	50,044.84
Adult meals	3,392.54
Rent/Reimb/Misc	11,392.82
	\$ 579,630.05

Expenditures

General Fund	159,503.58
Capital Outlay	364,166.34
Special Education	79,331.47
Capital Projects	549,620.47
Food Service	5,412.20
	\$ 1,158,034.06

Payroll

General Fund	356,312.79
Special Education	24,213.05
Food Service	-
	\$ 380,525.84

Ending Bal. 06/30/2026	\$ 8,297,540.07
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Trust & Agency Beg. Bal.	6/1/2026	\$	39,681.03
Revenue			809.79
Expenditures			<u>1,425.45</u>
Trust & Agency Ending Bal.	6/30/2026	\$	39,065.37

04-27-Motion by Farlee, seconded by Longbrake to approve the bills as presented for payment.

General Fund

Active Internet Technologies	website annual fee	6,031.00
Aflac	insur payable	2,733.32
AgEdNet.com	hs subscr renewal	465.00
Agtegra Cooperative	vehicle fuel	1,391.26
ASB Workers Compensation Fund	workmen's comp	14,100.00
ASBSD Property/Liability	property/liability insur	114,309.00
ASBSD	membership dues	1,486.05
CommTech Inc	tech repairs	643.00
CRST Telephone Authority	comm services	317.71
Current Connection	prof services	50.00
Delta Dental Plan	insur payable	3,302.30
EasyVista, Inc.	subscr renewal	639.54
eBOARD Solutions	subscr renewal	1,000.00
Edmentum	prof/Apex courses	3,250.00
Farmers Union Oil Co	vehicle repairs/fuel	2,557.56
Frontline Technologies Group	prof/evaluation software	2,306.25
Impact Schools of SD	membership dues	4,750.00
Infinite Campus	tech annual fee	2,010.60
Inter-State Studio & Publishing Co	annuals	1,441.25
Kesler Science LLC	classroom subscr	579.00
Marco	printer maint/lease	961.75
Mareska, Brent	bldg supplies reimb	30.00
MCI Residential Service	comm services	16.94
MCI	comm services	54.75
Menards	bldg supplies	9.96
Moreau Grand Electric Coop	bldg utilities	4,836.53
NIISA	membership dues	1,500.00
North Central Bus Sales	bus repairs	2,426.99
NWEA	renewal fee	6,075.00
OTC Brands inc	elem supplies	459.60
Overdrive Inc	lib/subsc renewal	750.00
Peacock, Patty	co-curr supplies	31.27
Planbook Inc	subscr renewal	648.00
Principal Life Insurance Company	insur payable	535.93
Prorate Services	drug test results	75.00
Rocket Math LLC	classroom subscr	1,375.00
SASD	membership dues/conf reg	1,100.00
SD Unemployment Insur Division	re-employment insur	418.23
SHI International Corp	prof/Windows user fee	4,213.24
SD Magazine	lib/periodical renewal	70.00

SD United Schools Assoc.	membership dues	700.00
Starfall Education Foundation	elem subscr	70.00
Time Management Systems	prof/TMS	272.00
Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield	insur payable	52,376.00
West River Eagle	advertising	168.69

Capital Outlay Fund

CMC Neptune	prof/GameTime renewal	1,800.00
Dakota House Movers	prof/trailer move	3,500.00
Musician's Friend	hs band supplies	476.00
Riddell	helmet reconditioning	2,401.70
Riverside Technologies Inc	computers	92,910.00
West Plains Engineering Inc	prof service/AC	2,500.00

Special Education Fund

Aflac	insur payable	435.65
ASB Workers Compensation Fund	workmen's comp	2,000.00
Delta Dental Plan	insur payable	846.60
OTC Brands Inc	speech supplies	132.99
Principal Life Insurance Company	insur payable	111.54
SD Unemployment Insur Division	re-employment insur	282.30
Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield	insur payable	11,630.00

Capital Project Fund

American Engineering Testing	prof services/bus barn	2,613.50
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Food Service Fund

Aflac	insur payable	174.33
ASB Workers Compensation Fund	workmen's comp	2,996.00
Principal Life Insurance Company	insur payable	37.18
SD Unemployment Insur Division	re-employment insur	62.70

NWAS Report was given by board member, Longbrake.

Federal Programs Report was given by Business Manager, Alspach.

The following administration and committee meeting reports were given; Policies, Academic, Special Education, and Superintendent.

The Public Hearing for the 2026-2027 school year budget was conducted. 05-27-Motion by Woodward, seconded by Longbrake that the School Board of the Dupree School District, after duly considering the proposed budget and amendments thereto, to be its Annual Budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. The adopted Annual Budget totals are as follows: General Fund – \$7,155,313; Capital Outlay - \$1,700,000; Capital Projects - \$3,479,210; Special Education - \$ 1,551,409; Enterprise Fund (Food Service) - \$465,187. Tax levies certified to the Ziebach County Auditor will be as follows (based on current total valuations): General Fund: AG \$1.051 per \$1,000; Owner Occupied \$0.669 per \$1,000; Other \$4.867 per \$1,000. Special Education: \$1.449 per \$1,000 and Capital Outlay: \$350,000. *The following corrections/amendments were made to the Public Notice of Hearing: Total (ALL) Funds - \$14,351,119; Impact Aid Reserves - \$1,498,832; Impact Aid Operating Transfer Out - \$4,028,832; Special Education State Sources - \$927,812; Total Special Education – \$1,551,409.*

06-27-With no further regular or old business appearing before the board for the 2025-26 SYF, motion by Farlee, seconded by Matonis to adjourn at 6:45 pm.

The 2026-2027 Reorganization Meeting was convened with Business Manager, Connie Alspach administering the School Board Oath of Office to Mandi Smith, 3-year term.

Superintendent Mareska opened nominations for Chairperson of the Board. Woodward nominated Smith. Farlee motion that nomination cease, seconded by Woodward. Mandi Smith – Chairperson.

The meeting was turned over to Chairperson, Smith.

Chairperson Smith opened nominations for Vice Chairperson. Farlee nominated Woodward. Longbrake motion that nomination cease, seconded by Farlee. Kody Woodward - Vice Chairperson.

07-27-Motion by Longbrake, seconded by Farlee to make the following re-organizational consent motion for the 2026-2027 school year; appoint Connie Alspach, Business Manager, custodian of all school funds; appoint Connie Alspach as custodian of the Imprest Fund, appoint Connie Alspach & Callie Zeiler as custodians of the Trust & Agency Fund; designate the West River Eagle as the school's official newspaper, designate the 1st Financial Bank of Dupree & SD FIT as the legal depositories; set board meeting times and dates; second Monday of each month at 6 p.m. current mountain time (not to exceed 11 p.m.); appoint Business Manager, Connie Alspach and Supt., Brent Mareksa as Authorized Representatives for all Federal Programs; adopt the state rates for travel .70 cents per mile and pay per diem (meal reimbursement) for overnight stays only, based on current in-state and out-of-state rates; designate Rodney Freeman as School Attorney for the 2026-2027 school term; set board members salary at \$75 per month and \$75 per committee meeting; set student transportation rates at .70 cents per mile (less 5 miles each way) Dupree School District elementary students only; set the admission rates for the 2026-27 school term: \$3.00 students; \$5.00 adults; \$40.00 adult yearly passes, provide free passes to all current enrolled students and free passes to school board members of the Dupree School; set adult meal prices: breakfast - \$3.25; lunch - \$5.50; advertise for firm vehicle fuel bids & propane bids for 2026-27 SFY; designate Principals and Dean of Students as truant officers; designate JRHI/HS Guidance Counselor as the Title IX Coordinator (discrimination mediator); authorize the Business Manager to submit the 2025-2026 Annual Report to the SD Department of Education.

Discussion was held on Standing Committees. The following committees were appointed: Finance/Negotiations/Hiring Personnel: Mandi Smith & Medina Matonis and alternate: Kody Woodward; Buildings, Grounds/Housing & Transportation: Kody Woodward & Jesse Longbrake; Safety/Culture & Climate: Medina Matonis & Jesse Longbrake; Policies/Attendance: Mandi Smith & Jenny Farlee; Academics: Kody Woodward & Jenny Farlee; and LIEB Representative: Mandi Smith; Jenny Farlee, alternate.

NWAS Board Member/Alternate for the 2026-27 school term: Jesse (Jake) Longbrake, Member and Kody Woodward, Alternate.

The following school bus routes for the 2026-27 school year have been established: Thunder Butte, Iron Lightning, Red Scaffold/Cherry Creek, Bridger, Eagle Butte (2) and Lantry.

08-27-Motion by Farlee, seconded by Longbrake to approve 2026-27 the Student, Activity and Faculty Handbooks as presented.

09-27-Motion by Farlee, seconded by Longbrake to update the following Board Policies as presented: AH: Conflict of Interest Disclosure and Authorization; AEA: Tobacco Free Schools; BD: School Board Meetings; BDC: Executive Session; BDDH: Public Participation at Board Meeting; BFC: Policy Adoption; DB: Budget; DI: Fiscal Accounting Reporting; DID: Inventories; DJC: Bidding Requirements; DLC: Expense Reimbursement; DN: School Properties Disposal Procedure; FEFB: Bonds for Pubic Improvement Contracts; GCBDF: Nursing Mothers; IGBA: Special Education and Related Services; JEC: School Admissions; JECB: Open Enrollment; JECAA: Students Enrolling From Alternative Instruction and Unaccredited Schools; JFB: Education of Homeless Students; JFCD: Bullying; JFCH: Alcohol and other Drug Use by Students; JHG: Reporting Child Abuse; JO: Student Records; JOA: Student Directory Information; JOE-1: Student Records Notice of Rights; and to adopt the following Board Policies: JECA: Admission Resident Students; DJ: Purchasing Procedures; IKFB: Graduation Ceremony Decoration; BBB: School Board Elections; BBBB: Board Member Oath of Office.

10-27-Motion by Woodward, seconded by Longbrake to approve the Cooperative Athletic Football/Football Cheer Team Agreement as presented.

11-27-Motion by Longbrake, seconded by Farlee to approve the federal program grant salaries: 21st Century & After School Programs for the 2026-27 school term: Project Director - \$43.00 per hr; Certified Tutors - \$34.75 per hr; Activity Driver - \$26.00 per hr; Support Staff - \$15.75 per hr; Bus/Suburban Driver - \$55.00 per trip; Family Engagement Activities - \$115 per event. Extended School Services (SPED) for the summer of 2027: Certified Special Education Instructor - \$43.00 per hr; Tutors; \$34.75 per hr. and to set professional development stipend payment for the 2026-27 school term: Certified Staff - \$50.00 per hr; Support Staff - \$30.00 per hr (out of contract time) for PD days up to 8 hrs per day and a maximum of 3 days (24 hrs) during a contract year. Driver Education Instructor - \$34.00 per hr (summer of 2026) and Driver Education Instructor (summer of 2027) - \$34.75 per hr.

12-27-Motion by Farlee, seconded by Longbrake to approve the following contracts: Kristin Mraz, School Nurse - \$48,513.92; William Lindskov, CTE – Automotive Techn Career - \$66,700; William Lindskov, First Year Bonus - \$1,500.

13-27-Motion by Farlee, seconded by Longbrake to go into Executive Session at 7:04 p.m. under SDCL 1-25-2(1) Personnel.

The Board Returned to Open Session at 8:07 p.m.

With no further business appearing before the board, motion by Farlee, seconded by Longbrake to adjourn at 8:07 p.m.

% Mandi Smith

CHAIRPERSON BOARD OF EDUCATION

% Connie Alspach

BUSINESS MANAGER