

**DAKOTA VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT #61-8
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
SEPTEMBER 14, 2026
UNAPPROVED MINUTES
DAKOTA VALLEY BOARD ROOM**

REGULAR SESSION – 6:00 PM

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

The annual meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairperson Thompson at 6:01 pm on September 14, 2026. Roll Call indicated the following members present: Hanson, Kistner (via phone), Nilges, Norby, and Thompson. Absent: None. Administrators Superintendent Schmidt and Business Manager Sponder were in attendance.

Vice-Chairperson Thompson welcomed the visitors.

Motion by Norby, seconded by Nilges to approve the amended agenda.

No new conflict-of-interest disclosures were presented.

No public input

Motion by Nilges, seconded by Norby to approve the consent agenda with heading change from annual to regular on the minutes.

Motion by Hanson, seconded by Norby to approve the surplus property.

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

Resignations

1. Rodd Slater, Girls Golf Coach
2. Vicki Warrad, Paraprofessional

New Hires

1. Ashley Runge, Quiz Bowl Advisor, \$870
2. Robin Gray, ES & UE/MS Secretary, \$20.07 hr.
3. Gaby Wilson, Asst HS Volleyball Coach, \$2,807
4. Brenda Likness, Paraprofessional, \$18.33 hr.
5. Lori Roeder, Paraprofessional, \$18.33 hr.

Motion by Nilges, seconded by Norby to approve the FY26 annual report.

Motion by Hanson, seconded by Norby to approve the FY27 resolution to adopt annual budget and tax levies.

**DAKOTA VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT #61-8
RESOLUTION TO ADOPT BUDGET
2026-27**

Adoption of Annual Budget:

Let it be resolved, that the School Board of the Dakota Valley School District # 61-8, after duly considering the proposed budget and its changes thereto, to be published in accordance with SDCL 13-11-2, hereby approves and adopts its proposed budget and changes thereto, to be its Annual Budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. The adopted Annual Budget Revenue/Expenditure totals are as follows:

General Fund - \$12,335,851

Capital Outlay Fund - \$5,108,726

Special Education Fund - \$2,790,944
HS Bond Redemption Fund - \$1,814,625
Food Service Fund - \$1,069,950
Drivers Education Fund - \$20,000

Certification of Tax Request for Taxes Payable in 2027:

	<u>Tax Levies</u>
<u>General Fund</u>	\$ 1.051 / per \$1,000 of AG Valuation \$ 0.669 / per \$1,000 of Owner-Occupied Valuation \$ 4.867 / per \$1,000 of NA/Utilities Valuation
<u>Special Education Fund</u>	\$1.449 / per \$1,000 of Total Valuation

	<u>Tax Dollar Request</u>
<u>General Fund Opt-Out</u>	\$600,000
<u>Capital Outlay Fund</u>	\$3,732,762
<u>HS Bond Redemption Fund</u>	\$2,723,944

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By order of the Dakota Valley School Board.

Motion by Norby, seconded by Nilges to approve the USD Headstart rate at \$9,610.

Motion by Nilges, seconded by Norby to approve the updated central office administrative assistant job description.

Motion by Hanson, seconded by Nilges to approve the maintenance truck purchase from Sioux Falls Ford through the state bid for \$46,374.

Motion by Norby, seconded by Hanson to approve the yearbook price at \$65.

Motion by Hanson, seconded by Norby to approve the proposal from Marco for copy center copiers for \$23,079.13.

Written administrator reports were received.

Motion by Norby, seconded by Nilges to go into Executive Session per SDCL 1-25-2.3 for legal matters. The board went into executive session at 6:54 pm. Superintendent Schmidt and Business Manager Sponder were in attendance. The board declared out of executive session at 7:25 pm.

Motion by Norby, seconded by Hanson to adjourn at 7:25 pm.

Jill Sponder
Business Manager

Matt Thompson
Vice-Chairperson

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