

OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, May 23, 2022

MINUTES

The Oglala Lakota County School Board held the regular monthly meeting on Monday, May 23, 2022, at Batesland, South Dakota. School Board President Blue Bird called the meeting to order at 4:08 p.m.

Members present: Debbie Bluebird, President
 Todd O'Bryan, Vice President
 Robert Two Crow, 2nd Vice President
 Andrea Eagle Bull
 Chuck Conroy

Others present: Connie Kaltenbach, Superintendent
 Anne Eagle Bull, Director of Human Resources
 Patti Nelson, Administrative Assistant
 Sophia Conroy, Business Manager
 Rianna Albers, Batesland School Principal
 Thomas Cottier, Technology Director
 Julia Yellow Cloud, Food Service Director
 Cindy Keegan, Special Education Director
 Johaunna Dreamer, Title I Director
 Dr. Margo Heinert, Consultant
 Alberta Wright, Lakota Tech Assistant Principal
 Francis Big Crow, LTHS Athletics Director
 Dr. Jennifer Sierra, Rockyford School Principal
 Ray Rothe, Rockyford School Principal
 Laticia DeCory, Wellness Director
 Leonard "Yamni" Jack, LTHS Activities Director
 Amanda Lefler, Batesland School Teacher
 LeeVi Story, Batesland School Teacher
 Leslie Theurer, Lakota Tech H.S. Teacher
 Toby Morris, Construction Consultant

Zoom Attendance:

Lynn Stein, Laura Big Crow, Melvin Sierra, Darrell Eagle Bull, Melissa Iron Cloud, Brian O'Connor, Johaunna Dreamer, Chanda Spotted Eagle, Nora Blue Bird, Tiny DeCory, Devin Pfaff, Casey Peterson Accountants

All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.

0441. Approval of Agenda

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Eagle Bull to approve the Agenda, as presented. Motion carried unanimously. (Conroy and Two Crow absent) (Attachment A)

0442. Conflicts of Interest

Superintendent, Connie Kaltenbach, reported no conflict of interest.

0443. Approval of Minutes

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Eagle Bull to approve minutes of April 25, 2022 regular board meeting; and May 3, 2022 and May 5, 2022 special board meetings. Motion carried unanimously, (Conroy and Two Crow absent).

0444. Reports/Updates

(Board members Conroy and Two Crow present remainder of the meeting)

- a) Superintendent Kaltenbach provided results of the 2021-22 state of South Dakota MAP and OLCSD student testing.
- b) Johanna Dreamer updated the Board in regard to the school district's previous application status for 503© exemption status.
The Board discussed and authorized administration to revise Articles establishing a 503© on behalf of the school district and present to the Board at the June regular board meeting, possibly resubmitting an application to the Department.
- c) Laticia DeCory, Wellness Director, presented an MOU with National Indian Youth Leadership Project, for mentoring of students through Project Venture. This MOU would provide services to the Lakota Tech High School and Wolf Creek Elementary students, to begin May 1, 2022 through 2025.
- d) Dr. Margo Heinert presented a compilation of results of the Board-requested staff survey.
- e) LeeVi Story and Amanda Lefler represented the Batesland School's Wellness Team and presented suggestions and findings from their school staff.
- f) Dr. Jennifer Sierra and Ray Rothe presented on behalf of the Wellness Team at Rockyford School.
- g) Lynn Stein, Wolf Creek Teacher, presented on behalf of the Wolf Creek School Wellness Team.
- h) Leslie Theurer presented findings from Lakota Tech High School's staff Wellness Team.
- i) Brian O'Connor, Red Shirt Principal, presented on behalf of Red Shirt School's Wellness Team.
- j) Monthly written reports were also received from principals and administrators and reviewed by the Board.

0445. Construction Report

Toby Morris, Construction Financial Consultant, presented several pay apps and invoices for work completed on the current construction projects. He also provided an update on the status of the teacher housing project at the high school site, and Wolf Creek Water Tower bids. Mr. Morris also recommended the Board approve a purchase agreement to

acquire housing from South Dakota Housing and approve the application for Governors Homes.

0446. Citizens

Devin Pfaff of Casey Peterson & Associates explained a detailed report and provided information in regard to the OLCSD Audit Report for 2021.

0447. Executive Session

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Eagle Bull to go into executive session at 7:07 p.m. to discuss personnel. Motion carried unanimously.

President Blue Bird declared executive session ended at 8:41 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.

0448. Policies

Superintendent Connie Kaltenbach presented Student Handbooks for 2022-23 school year, in addition to a Housing Policy for the School Board's review and input, as listed:

- a) Virtual High School Student Handbook, 2nd Reading
- b) Pre-K-8 Student Handbook, 2nd Reading
- c) Extra-Curricular Handbook, 1st Reading
- d) Lakota Tech High School Handbook, 1st Reading
- e) Housing Policy, 1st Reading

(Attachments C)

0449. Special Education Service Contracts

The School Board was presented contracts from providers who will provide services to students for the 2022-23 school year, as listed: (Attachments D)

- a) Building Blocks Therapy – Occupational Therapy Services
Students ages 3yrs. and older - July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023
- b) Creative Kids Therapy - Occupational Therapy Services
Students ages Birth to 3 years - July 1, 2022 through June 30-2023
- c) Kassie Davalos - Speech Therapy Services
Students ages Birth to 3 years - July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023
- d) Dynamic Kids - Physical Therapy Services
Melissa Allen, PT, DPT – 2022-2023 school year

0450. Financial Report & Expenditures

Business Manager Sophia Conroy presented the monthly financial report to the School Board for their review, in addition to the monthly expenditures. Mr. Devin Pfaff, of Casey Peterson & Associates, presented the 2021 Audit Report from Shoenfish Accountants, for the Board's review and discussion. (Attachments E)

0451. 8-Passenger Bus Bids

The Business Manager presented the bid received for an 8-passenger school bus with wheelchair ramp, as advertised, for Wolf Creek School. (Attachment F)

0452. SDHSAA Amendments

Francis Big Crow, Lakota Tech High School Athletics Director, presented amendments to the South Dakota High School Athletics Association Constitution & By-laws, and provided recommendations in regard to voting on the amendments. (Attachment G)

0453. Back to School Plan

Laticia DeCory, Wellness Director, presented revisions to the OLCSD Back to School Plan for the Board's review and consideration. (Attachment H)

0454. Organizational Chart

Superintendent Kaltenbach presented a district-wide Organizational Chart, for the Board's review. (Attachment I)

0455. Financials

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Eagle Bull to approve the monthly financial report and expenditures, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

0456. School District 2021 Audit Report

Motion by Eagle Bull, seconded by Two Crow to accept the 2021 Oglala Lakota County School District Audit. Motion carried unanimously. (Attachment J)

0457. Special Education Services

Motion by Conroy, seconded by Two Crow to approve contracts for the 2022-23 school year to providers of special education services, as stated in their respective contracts, as listed:

- a) Building Blocks Therapy – Occupational Therapy Services 2022-23
Students ages 3yrs.and older - July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023
- b) Creative Kids Therapy (Occupational Therapy Services Birth-3 yrs)
July 1-2022 through June 30-2023
- c) Kassie Davalos (Speech Therapy Services)
(Birth to 3) July 1-2022 through June 30-2023
- d) Dynamic Kids (Physical Therapy Services) 2022-23 school year
Melissa Allen, PT, DPT

Motion carried unanimously. (Attachments K)

0458. 8-Passenger Bus Bid

Motion by Conroy, seconded by Two Crow to accept the bid from Foreman Bus Sales of Miller, South Dakota, for one 2023 8-passenger school bus with wheelchair ramp, for the Wolf Creek School in the amount of \$77,233.00, as per bid specifications. Motion carried unanimously.

0459. Construction

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Conroy to approve construction payments, as listed:

COOP Invoices

- a) Housing - \$11,000 Invoice #3370
- b) WC Kitchen - \$6,500 Invoice #3371

- c) Master Plan - \$6,000 Invoice #3372
- d) CTE Classroom - \$150,000 Invoice #3373
- e) Colliers Invoice - \$50,000
- f) Dynamic Homes - \$622,647.00 Invoice #WC-04
- g) Application for Governors Homes
- h) GMP for high school classroom addition \$10,766,813.28
- i) Notice of Award to KLJ for the Wolf Creek Water System Improvement in the amount of \$438,071.00

Scull Pay Apps

- j) Teacher Housing Pay App 6 - \$971,006.46
- k) WC Cafeteria Pay App 1 - \$137,645.28
- l) SD Housing Bid / purchase agreement
- m) Lakota Tech H.S. Classrooms/Day Care \$10,766,813.00

Motion carried unanimously. (Attachments L)

0460. Personnel Recommendations

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Two Crow to approve the personnel recommendations, as submitted, including the following amendments:

Change Rockyford 5th Grade Immersion Teacher to Rockyford 5th Grade Teacher;
 Change "Resignation" to "Retire" for Wanda Richards, Red Shirt Nurse;
 Change Ray Rothe salary to \$103,040.00 annual salary;
 Change Destiny Leftwich salary to \$57,986.00;
 Change Samantha Bunney salary to \$53,588.00;

Motion carried unanimously. (Attachments M)

0461. Policies

Motion by Conroy, seconded by Two Crow to acknowledge 2022-23 Student Handbooks and the Housing Policy, and authorized them to be presented for the next reading at the June, 20, 2022 regular School Board meeting, as listed:

- a) Virtual High School Student Handbook, 2nd Reading
- b) Pre-K-8 Student Handbook, 2nd Reading
- c) Extra-Curricular Handbook, 1st Reading
- d) Lakota Tech High School Handbook, 1st Reading
- e) Housing Policy, 1st Reading

0462. SDHSAA Amendment Approvals

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Two Crow to approve the 7 amendments to the South Dakota High School Athletics Association By-laws, as recommended by Lakota Tech High School Administrative Staff. Motion carried unanimously.

0464. Back to School Plan Update

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Eagle Bull to approve the revisions to the Back to School Plan, as presented; also approving the Memorandum of Understanding with the National Indian Youth Leadership Project, Inc. and Project Venture for the Lakota Tech High School and Wolf Creek Elementary. Motion carried unanimously. (Attachment N)

0465. Organizational Chart

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Conroy to approve the Organizational Chart for 2022-23, as submitted by the Superintendent. Motion carried unanimously.

0466. Consent Agenda


Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Eagle Bull to approve the Consent Agenda items, as listed:

1. June, 2022 Regular School Board Meeting – Monday, June 20, 2022, 4:00 p.m.
at Batesland Board Room
2. Special Meeting will be held on Friday, June 10, 2022 beginning at 4:00 p.m. at the Batesland Board Room.
3. Requests for Out-of-State Travel: ISTE Conference, New Orleans, LA
June 26-29, 2022:
1) Connie Kaltenbach, Superintendent; 2) Thomas Cottier, IT Director; 3) Heidi Cuny, IT Tech Rockyford; 4) Marisa Snider IT Tech Wolf Creek; 5) Corbin Bailey IT Tech Wolf Creek; 6) Shawna Bettelyoun, IT Tech Red Shirt.
Virtual Participants: Dustin Gonsor, Bessie Lebeau, James Black Feather
4. OLCSD School Board Election, Tuesday, June 7, 2022, 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
(in conjunction with State of S. Dakota election) Leadership Conference, The Doubletree @ Deadwood, SD, June 15-17, 2022
(Board Members & Administrators)
5. FYI: ASBSD/SASD Convention, Aug 4 & 5, 2022, Sioux Falls, SD

Motion carried unanimously.

0467. Adjournment

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Eagle Bull to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 p.m. Motion carried.

Signed: 
Sophia Conroy, Business Manager

Approved by the School Board on the 20th day of June, 2022.

Signed: 
Debbie Blue Bird, President