

**OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 2021
BATESLAND BOARD ROOM**

MINUTES

The Oglala Lakota County School Board held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at the Batesland Boardroom, Batesland, South Dakota, and also via zoom. President DeCory called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

Members present: Ms. Laticia DeCory, President
 Ms. Debbie Blue Bird, Vice President
 Mr. Todd O’Bryan
 Mr. Chuck Conroy (zoom)

Member excused: Mr. Tom Conroy

Others present: Dr. Anthony Fairbanks, Superintendent
 Sophia Conroy, Business Manager
 Anne Eagle Bull, Human Resources Director
 Patti Nelson, Administrative Assistant
 J.L. Trueblood, Director of Security

Zoom Attendance:

Connie Kaltenbach, Dir of Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment
Robert Sullivan, OLCSD Technology Director
Melvin Sierra, Virtual High School Principal
Danielle Walking Eagle, Director of Federal Programs
James Knutson, Lakota Tech Athletic Director
Mary Jo Fairhead, Batesland Principal
Stephanie Eisenmenger, Lakota Tech Principal
Darrell Eagle Bull, Wolf Creek Principal
Melissa Iron Cloud, Wolf Creek Principal
Alicia Stolley, Wolf Creek Principal
Brian O’Connor, Red Shirt Principal
Dr. Jennifer Sierra, Rockyford Principal
Ray Rothe, Rockyford Principal
Nora Blue Bird, Assistant Business Manager
Lora Catches, Director of Lakota Studies
Cindy Keegan, Special Education Director
Allen Ecoffey, WC Employee/OLCCEA President
Beverly Bertram, Wolf Creek Teacher/OLCEA President

Juliana Irizarry
Dr. Terri Klemm
Erma Pino
Nick Kaltenbach
Woody Begay
Sheena Provost
Nicole Domurat
Marlin Kingi
J. Neisner
Starr Rozmiarek
Shanda Noisy Hawk
Susanna Mercado
LeeVi Story
Pamela Gunner
Carol Risse
Shae Heiting
Devona Pourier
Michelle Kocer
Toby Morris, Financial Consultant
Jake Schluckebier, Scull Construction
Mike Hickey, School Attorney

Donna Jumping Eagle
Wanda Richards
Mel S.
Curtis Anderson
Soni Gomez
Yamni Jack
Sandra Cuny
Margaret Iron Cloud
Tyson Mills
Samaya Blacksmith
Heidi Cuny
Sara Roman
Mary Goodart
Mike Charnholm
Tiffany Phelps
Terri White
Will Clifford
Nona Jackson
Matthew Hadden
Mia Twiss
Loren Abernathy

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

0674. Approval of Agenda
Motion by Blue Bird, seconded by O'Bryan to approve the agenda, as presented, adding to the construction items: "f' Architect Discussion", as an Action Item, and will be presented by Mr. Tobin Morris, Construction Financial Consultant. Motion carried, all in favor. (Attachment A)
0675. Conflict of Interest
Superintendent Fairbanks reported no conflicts of interest reported by school board members.
0676. Approval of Minutes
Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by O'Bryan to approve February 23, 2021 regular meeting minutes, and March 11, 2021 special meeting minutes. Motion carried, all in favor.
0677. Reports
The School Board acknowledged receiving reports and questions and/or updates were reported and discussed.
0678. Citizens
There were no citizens in attendance requesting to address the School Board.

0679. Construction Update

Jake Schlukebier, of Scull Construction, provided information on funds the district will receive in the amount of \$115,191.00, which will be paid by Scull Construction upon completion of the Lakota Technical High School, due to Change Order #005.

Mr. Tobin Morris, OLCSD Financial Consultant, provided information in regard to the bank close-out for the CTE High School, in addition to presenting the following items:

- a) Change Order #005 in the amount of \$115,191.00 (paid back to OLCSD)
- b) Pay App #22 in the amount of \$85,997.15
- c) Request for Proposals
- d) ESSER II Update
- e) Preliminary Timeline for the Wellness Center.
- f) Discussion regarding Architect

(Attachments B)

0680. Financial Report & Disbursements

Business Manager, Sophia Conroy, provided the School Board with a monthly report of school district finances. Ms. Conroy also presented the monthly disbursements and a vehicle replacement plan for the Board's review. (Attachment C)

0681. OLCSD 2020-2021 Back to School Plan

Connie Kaltenbach, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment, presented the recommended revisions and updates to the OLCSD 2020-2021 Back to School Plan. Ms. Kaltenbach also provided information in regard to the extensive safety protocols which have been implemented in district-wide school and office buildings. (Attachment D)

0682. Executive Session

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Blue Bird to go into executive session at 4:27 p.m. to discuss personnel. Motion carried, all in favor.

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Blue Bird to end executive session at 6:09 p.m. and reconvened into regular session. Motion carried, all in favor.

0683. Construction

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Blue Bird to approve the following, as submitted and recommended:

- a) Change Order #005 in the amount of \$115,191.00 (paid back to OLCSD)
- b) Pay App #22 in the amount of \$85,997.15
- c) Request for Proposals for Construction Manager at Risk
- d) Toby Morris, Financial Consultant, presented the ESSER II Update
- e) Mr. Morris also reviewed the Preliminary Timeline for the Wellness Center.
- f) Mr. Morris provided information to the board in regard to assisting the school district in selecting an architectural firm to provide architectural services to assist in development of a Wellness Center. Mr. Morris will assist in providing an Rfp for architectural services.

Motion carried, all in favor. (Attachments B)

0684. Financial Report/Disbursements
Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Blue Bird to approve the monthly financial report and disbursements, as submitted by the Business Manager. Motion carried, all in favor.
0685. Vehicle Replacement Plan
Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Blue Bird to authorize administration to proceed with the purchase of district-wide vehicles, as recommended by the Business Manager and Acting Director of Transportation. Motion carried, all in favor.
0686. OLCSD Back to School Plan
Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Blue Bird to approve the revised OLCSD 2020-2021 Back to School Plan, as presented, designating April 8, 2021 as the start date for elementary students, who will have the option of returning to in-person learning at their respective Oglala Lakota County School. Motion carried, all in favor.
0687. COVID Vaccines/Personnel Recommendations
Pursuant to Policy 7.12(e); Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by C. Conroy to establish the deadline for all staff to be vaccinated for COVID-19, or submit a written statement signed by a medical provider verifying that the employee's health is adversely affected by a COVID vaccination; or a statement from a religious advisor or minister that the receipt of a vaccination is contrary to their religious belief, is extended until April 7, 2021. Employees who have been previously placed on unpaid furlough, due to a failure to meet the prior deadline established by the Board, shall be entitled to use any available paid leave from March 15, 2021, until April 7, 2021. Employees who fail to meet the April 7, 2021 deadline shall be placed on unpaid furlough effective April 8, 2021, until the end of their contract year. Motion carried, three voted yes, Blue Bird voted no.
0688. Personnel
Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Blue Bird to approve all personnel recommendations, with exception of Extra-Curricular Assignments at Lakota Tech High School for Mary Jo Fairhead and Kiley Weston. Further, to eliminate the "2 year length of contract" for all COVID positions, as previously noted in personnel recommendations. Motion carried, all in favor. (Attachment E)
0689. Consent Agenda Items
Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Blue Bird to approve the consent agenda items, as follows:
- 1) April Regular School Board Meeting – Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at the School Board Conference Room, Batesland, SD, and on zoom, beginning at 3:00 p.m.
 - 2) School Board Petitions due Friday, May 7, 2021; School Board Election Tuesday, June 15, 2021, 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- Motion carried, all in favor.
0690. Adjournment

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Blue Bird to adjourn the meeting at 6:18 p.m. Motion carried, all in favor.

Signed _____
Sophia Conroy, Business Manager

Approved by the School Board on the 27th day of April, 2021.

Signed _____
Laticia DeCory, President