

Stanley County School Board Meeting

April 10, 2007

The Stanley County School District, #57-1, Board of Education met in regular session April 10, 2007, 5:30 P.M., in the Middle School Learning Center with Sonny Harrowa, Mork Norman, John Duffy, Bridget Miller and Darby Nutter present. Others in attendance were Superintendent Brad Caldwell, Business Manager Kevin Mersheim and Principals Merry Bleeker and Brian Doherty. Visitors were Rebecca Cruse, Paula Alexander, Kendra Nutter, Kim Doherty, Shirley Swanson, Craig Rutschke, Arlene Krueger, Guy Hunter, Kathy Riedy, Jenifer Palmer, Jennifer Milliken, Linda Clair, Michelle Glodt, Julie Willoughby, Carol King, Bob Jeffries, Kaci Deal, Dana Iversen, Junior Class Students and Parents of Honored Students.

President Sonny Harrowa called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Kaci Deal sang the national anthem.

Duffy moved, seconded by Norman, to adopt the agenda as amended. All voted aye.

Norman moved, seconded by Duffy, to approve the Consent Calendar. All voted aye.

A. Approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 12, 2007

B. Approve the Financial Reports

GENERAL FUND: Cash Balance, March 1, 2007 – 287,794.84; Receipts: Taxes – 57,592.40; Interest – 1,202.77; Misc. Revenue – 958.57; State Aid 83,484.00; Yearbooks – 30.00; Admissions – 38.00; Payments in Lieu of Taxes – 87,240.29; Rentals – 70.00; Total Receipts – 230,616.03; Transfers into the Account – 254,223.91; Total Available – 772,634.78; Disbursements – 116,528.84; Payroll – 153,266.68; Transfer Out – 17.45; Cash Balance, March 31, 2007 – 502,821.81; CAPITAL OUTLAY: Cash Balance, March 1, 2007 – 37,694.78; Receipts: Taxes – 6,757.48; Interest – 84.90; Total Receipts – 6,842.38; Total Available – 44,537.16; Disbursement – 0; Cash Balance, March 31, 2007 – 44,537.16; SPECIAL EDUCATION: Cash Balance, March 1, 2007 – 448,775.85; Receipts: Taxes 6,362.04; Interest – 992.82; Title VIB – 9,960.70; Preschool Grant – 352.50; Total Receipts – 17,668.06; Total Available – 466,443.91; Disbursements – 2,350.64; Payroll – 26,250.71; Cash Balance, March 31, 2007 – 437,842.56; PENSION FUND: Cash Balance, March 1, 2007 – 2,693.10; Receipts: Taxes – 1,528.69; Interest - 0; Total Receipts – 1,528.69; Total Available – 4,221.79; Payroll – 0; Cash Balance, March 31, 2007 – 4,221.79; IMPACT AID: Cash Balance, March 1, 2007 – 779,119.31; Receipts: Interest – 2,378.77; Impact Aid – 70,553.00; Total Receipts – 72,931.77; Total Available – 852,051.08; Transfer Out – 253,974.91; Cash Balance, March 31, 2007 – 598,076.17; FOOD SERVICE: Cash Balance, March 1, 2007 – 230.76; Receipts: Sales – 10,324.55; Community & Youth Inv. – 5,441.80; State Food Reimbursement – 7,126.78; Total Receipts – 22,893.13; Total Available – 23,123.89; Disbursements – 12,430.40; Payroll – 13,462.25; Cash Balance, March 31, 2007 – (2,768.76); FIDUCIARY ACCOUNTS: Cash Balance, March 1, 2007 – 331,998.35; Receipts: Interest – 1,088.18; Senior Class – 273.00; Junior Class – 453.50; Sophomore Class – 547.00; Freshman Class – 449.75; Student Council – 575.00; FCCLA – 34.00; Region Gymnastics – 708.48; District Boys Basketball – 100.00; Coaches Fundraiser – 160.00; Golf Fundraisers – 200.00; Post Prom – 1,040.00; Total Receipts – 5,628.91; Transfers into the Account – 2,510.48;

Total Available – 340,137.74; Disbursements – 5,289.60; Cash Balance, March 31, 2007 – 334,848.14.

C. Note Budget Report

D. Approve the Regular Bills

Ace Hardware, Supplies – 99.99; All-Around Graphics, Awards – 20.00; Alltel, Cell Phone – 63.95; American Linen Supply, Supplies – 584.68; Argus Leader, Subscription – 51.40; ASBSD, Registration – 35.00; Avera Health, Food – 120.00; Avera Center, Staff Development – 500.00; BP, Gas 679.38; Best Business Products, Repairs – 376.05; Merry Bleeker, Travel – 19.20; Buhl's, Repairs – 52.18; Brad Caldwell, Mileage – 19.20; Capital Journal, Minutes & Advertising – 453.44; Carolina Biological, Supplies – 868.31; Child & Adult Nutrition Services, Food – 181.47; Christy Lumber, Supplies – 279.64; Cole Paper, Supplies – 897.50; Country Carpet, Supplies – 16.88; Dakota Supply Group, Supplies – 8.32; Dean Foods, Milk – 1,868.16; Demco, Supplies – 723.70; Earthgrains, Food – 462.44; Envirotech Waste Service, Garbage – 1,350.97; FCCLA, Dues – 363.00; City of Fort Pierre, Utilities – 5,704.94; FSH Communications, Telephone – 127.20; Gale's Gas, Propane – 1,113.90; Lori Gloe, Travel – 32.40; Golden West Telephone, Telephone – 205.85; Golden West Technologies, Supplies 200.00; Grand Rental Station, Supplies – 55.00; Gray Lines of the Black Hills, Chartered Buses – 870.16; H&H Repair, Repairs – 8.85; Harcourt Assessments, Prof. Services – 84.63; Harker's, Food – 2,424.88; Highsmith, Supplies – 855.35; Hillyard, Supplies – 1,111.25; Skip Jenson, Books – 285.00; Jostens, Supplies – 21.75; Klein's Office Plus, Supplies – 56.27; M&N Communications, Repairs – 420.00; May-Adam-Gerdes-Thompson, Prof. Services – 68.00; Kevin Merscheid, Travel – 565.07; MF Athletic Company, Supplies – 40.40; Jennifer Milliken, Supplies – 21.50; Missouri River Energy, Prof. Services – 638.79; Montana Dakota Utilities, Utilities – 5,364.13; NAFIS, Registration – 100.00; NCA/CASI, Membership 1,200.00; Penn State Industries, Supplies – 81.30; Perma-Bound, Library Media – 1,583.86; 22X, Prof. Services – 775.00; Pierre Solid Waste, Waste Disposal – 33.54; Pitney Bowes, Repairs – 426.80; Pitney Bowes, Postage – 500.00; Praxair, Supplies – 69.92; Qwest, Telephone – 129.54; Reinhart, Food – 5,714.00; Right Turn, Tuition – 754.14; Robin's Water, Water – 195.94; Runnings, Supplies – 317.77; Lois Russell, Lodging – 1,170.18; SD Dept. of Health, Prof. Services – 251.67; SDHSAA, Supplies – 204.00; School Specialty, Supplies – 10.94; SD ASBO, Registration – 100.00; SD Dept. of Labor, Unemployment – 411.39; Security Lock Smith, Repairs – 205.46; Servall Uniforms, Supplies – 154.07; Shell, Bus Gas – 171.49; Krystal Simons, Travel – 68.00; Gary Snow & Associates, Prof. Services – 450.00; Software House Int., Supplies – 482.48; Stanley County School District, Imprest – 2,562.31; State Publishing, Supplies – 310.70; Town & Ranch Market, Supplies/Food – 790.34; Tri State Camera, Supplies – 307.77; US Food Service, Food – 1,180.04; Variety Games, Supplies – 229.90; VISA, Lodging – 190.90; Walker Refuse, Waste Disposal – 153.00; Walmart, Supplies – 195.53; West Central Electric, Utilities – 357.48; Wincraft, Awards – 7.68; WR/LJ Rural Water, Water – 117.50; WW Tire Service, Repairs – 42.95; Youngberg & Sons, Repairs – 76.50; GRAND TOTAL BILLS APPROVED - \$52,454.27. (A more detailed listing is in the Administration Office of the Elementary Building.

E. Note Imprest Expenses

SD FCCLA, Star Event Registration – 100.00; Region VII Music, Entry Fees 25.00; SD Bandmasters, Entry Fees – 274.00; Dominant Seven, Clinician – 750.00; Black Hills State University, Jazz Festival Entry Fees – 200.00; SD Counselors Association, Membership – 380.00; Northern State University, Registration – 80.00; Linda Clair, Travel – 152.00; Jennifer Milliken, Travel 152.00; Kathy Riedy, Travel – 152.00; Lois Russell, Travel – 152.00; SDAESP,

Registration – 125.00; Gettysburg High School, District Wrestling Loss – 20.31; TOTAL IMPREST EXPENSES – \$2,562.31.

F. Approve Resignations

Gloria Lawrence - Secretary

Michele Lopour – Assistant Gymnastics Coach

The Board recognized the following students in grades three through five who have received all “A’s” and students in grades six through twelve for achieving at least a 3.6 grade-point average for the third nine-weeks of the school year. President Sonny Harrowa and Superintendent Brad Caldwell presented the certificates.

Lukas Chase	Kaycee Cronin
Colten Drageset	Kimberlee Geuther
Dustin Junk	Shale Kramme
Martee Larson	Kady Nielsen
Daniel Slama	Ashley Theobald
Kelsey VanDenHemel	Austin Brown
Ali Scott	Tawnee Whitley
Joni Willoughby	Adam Wyly
Madison Hand	Avery Johnson
Hailey Norman	Tesa Carda
Tyler Gaer	Carson Musick
John Ricketts	Nicole Smith
Breeze Olson	Megan Arneson
Shelby Gienger	Tyler Harrowa
Wyatt Johnson	Marli Masteller
Thomas Tolton	Robby Jeffries
Kristine Lehrkamp	Jacob Miller
Clayton Reinhard	Joshua Rogers
Kenna Wieczorek	Seth Lopour
Christa Wolf	Aleesa Fedt
Patrick Neff	Taylor Olson
Larisa Schoenfelder	Sarah Jeffries
Kassy Norman	Lindsey Rogers
Stormi Wagner	Kari Anderson
Marissa Jacobsen	

Joni Willoughby and Cooper Carter read their story books that they illustrated and composed in the fourth grade class.

Jenifer Palmer, fourth grade teacher, presented the new Houghton Mifflin Math curriculum currently being used in the classrooms. The math curriculum is aligned to South Dakota curriculum standards. Comments about the new series were noted.

Superintendent Brad Caldwell reported the bids received for the purchase of a school vehicle. The only bid received was from Beck Motors of Pierre.

Vehicle #1 2006 Suburban \$25,400 & Trade

Vehicle #2 2005 Ford Expedition \$23,400 & Trade
Option #1 Additional Power train Coverage \$1,000.00

Nutter moved, seconded by Miller, to accept the bid for the purchase of the 2006 Suburban in the amount of \$25,400 with the addition of option number one in the amount of \$1,000.00. All voted aye.

Miller moved, seconded by Nutter, to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #5-2007 – Let it be resolved, that the School Board of the Stanley County School District #57-1, in accordance with SDCL 13-11-3.2 and after duly considering the proposed supplemental budget, hereby approves and adopts the following supplemental budget in total;

Capital Outlay Fund

Appropriations:

2555 – Equipment \$26,400.00
Total Appropriations \$26,400.00

Means of Finance:

704 – Unobligated Fund Balance \$26,400.00
Total Means of Finance \$26,400.00

All voted aye.

Kathy Riedy, Linda Clair and Jennifer Milliken reported on the recent trip to the national convention for the North Central Accreditation in Chicago on March 31 through April 3, 2007. The Board thanked the group for attending the convention.

Linda Clair was selected as the Region Six Teacher of the Year for 2007 and is eligible for the State Teacher of Year Award.

Board member Bridget Miller attended and reported on the Sexual Harassment workshop in February. Information about harassment in schools and on the Internet was discussed by the Board.

Principal Merry Bleeker reported that Parent Teacher Conferences were attended by 97% of the parents in Fort Pierre and 100% were attended in the rural schools. Melissa Stewart will complete her student teaching on May 4, 2007. Kindergarten Roundup is scheduled for April 23 and 24. The fourth grade classes will be traveling to the Laura Ingalls Wilder Museum in DeSmet, South Dakota. The first grade will visit the hospital in April. Classroom plays will be preformed at various times in May. The Dakota Step tests will be administered starting on the week of April 9 for grades three, eight and eleven.

Michelle Glodt reported on the BUFFS program that replaced the summer school program. The results of an evaluation survey of the teachers, parents and the students were presented.

Principal Brian Doherty reported that the Parent Teacher Conferences were well attended this spring. The Prom will be April 14, the Athletic Banquet will be April 19, eighth grade orientation will be April 23, student class registration will be May 1 thru 4 and Dakota Step testing will start the week of April 9. The Coordinated Health grant will provide snacks during the Dakota Step testing.

April 12 will be the second annual student/faculty fundraiser basketball game for the American Cancer Society.

Miller moved, seconded by Nutter, to approve the open enrollment applications for #570011980798, 570011980799 and 57001198800. All voted aye.

Superintendent Brad Caldwell recommended changes to the high school curriculum. Additional requirements for graduation would be implemented over a three-year period. Student and parents discussed the impact of the proposals for next year's senior class. A proposed change in the Middle/High School Student Handbook for absences will be presented at the May Board meeting.

Athletic Director, Guy Hunter, requested approval for the Stanley County School District to start both Cross-country and Competitive Cheerleader activities for students.

Duffy moved, seconded by Norman, to offer the Cross-country sport starting with the 2007-2008 school year. All voted aye.

Athletic Director, Guy Hunter, reported the student athletic physicals have been scheduled. Weather conditions this spring have forced activities to be postponed or cancelled. Awards Day will be May 10 at 8:15 A.M. with scholarship awards to be distributed at 7 P.M. A brief report of the results of the Athletic Directors' Conference was discussed with the Board.

Business Manager Kevin Mersheim and Brad Caldwell presented the proposed list of repairs and equipment to be purchased for the 2007-2008 school year. Final approval of the repair projects and equipment will be at the regular May Board meeting.

Superintendent Brad Caldwell reported what process will be used to receive Teacher Compensation Programs Funds provided by the State of South Dakota during the 2007 legislative session. Necessary repairs have been completed for the Orton mobile home as requested of the warranty company by the Stanley County School District. The request to join other schools in the state aid lawsuit was deferred until a later date. An Academic Lettering Policy was proposed for high school students to be eligible for an academic letter under certain qualifications. The policy was deferred until a later date for more discussion.

The class of 2007 requested class funds be used for a trip to Valley Fair this spring.

Nutter moved, seconded by Harrowa, to approve the request of the class of 2007 to use their class funds for a trip to Valley Fair upon further investigation and approval of the school administration. Nutter, Harrowa, Norman and Duffy voted aye. Miller voted no.

Norman moved, seconded by Nutter, to go into Executive Session according to SDCL 1-25-2 for personnel reasons at 9:10 P.M. All voted aye.

President Sonny Harrowa declared the Board out of Executive Session at 10:45 P.M.

Miller moved, seconded by Norman, to accept the recommendations of the Administration to offer contracts to the staff and Letters of Intent for classified staff. Contracts offered are as follows: Jodi Gabriel, Mark Hackett, Craig Heller, Arlene Krueger, Craig Rutschke, Vickie Schumacher, Karen Sharp and Kathleen Siebrasse. Letters of Intent offered are as follows: Cheryl Anderson, Megan Burns, Judy Fosheim, Philip Hubbard, Ann Keller, Fritz Keller, Rita Keller, Ruth Kilber, Blair Krueger, Marcy Kuper, Bonnie Libner, Clint Menning, Carol Olson, Susan Schanzenbach, Wilma

Staples, Suzanne Stoesser, Amber Thomas and Janet Williams.

All voted aye.

Norman moved, seconded by Duffy, to disapprove application #5700119980794 on the basis that approval would “exceed the capacity of the program” in accordance to district Open Enrollment Policy, Section A-4. All voted aye.

Miller moved, seconded by Norman, to approve contracts for Quinton Cermak – Social Studies and Nicole Quiroga – English and Spanish for the 2007-2008 school year. All voted aye.

Miller moved, seconded by Duffy, to adjourn at 10:59 P.M. All voted aye.

Sonny Harrowa, President
Kevin Mersheim, Business Manager