

UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF EDUCATION  
GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 06-6

REGULAR MEETING

October 14, 2019

President Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Conference Room. Members present: Fliehs, Harder, Gengerke, Pharis, Rix, Smith and Weismantel. Others present: Supt. J. Schwan, Principals B. Schwan and Sombke and Business Official Weber.

Moved by Gengerke, second Harder to approve the agenda with one amendment under New Business Item #7 – approve resignation. Motion carried.

Pursuant to SDCL 23-3, there was no potential conflict disclosure reported.

Moved by Rix, second Fliehs to approve the following consent agenda items as presented: District minutes from September 9 and 23, 2019 and district bills. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: Net Salary – 183,486.54; FIT – 16,280.68; Medicare – 6,863.06; FICA – 29,344.88; American Funds – 542.80; SD Retirement – 28,837.52; HSA Contributions – 100.00; Waddell & Reed – 1,440.00; Horace Mann – 1,211.61; Thrivent – 250.00; AFLAC – 3,338.24; Delta Dental – 3,984.34; SD Supplemental Retirement – 702.29; GASD Lunch Donation – 230.87; Wellmark – 57,618.00; Reliastar – 608.64; Avesis – 292.85; Aberdeen Awards – awards, 206.40; Advance Auto Parts – supplies, 56.98; Agency Fund – advance pays, 42,849.53; Allied Climate Professionals – repairs, 3,626.53; Amazon – supplies, 197.89; Boston Fern – flowers, 161.00; Brown County Treasurer – mosquito control, 167.52; Dakota Supply – supplies, 150.95; Decker Equip – supplies, 95.95; Dependable Sanitation – garbage, 1,254.50; Downie's Piano – tuning, 150.00; Full Circle Ag – oil, 549.45; Groton Area School – food items, 204.00; Groton Chiropractic – physicals, 190.00; Groton Daily Independent – printing, 322.59; Joel Guthmiller – meals, 49.79; Hillyard – supplies, 357.94; Innovations Associates – subscriptions, 155.00; JW Pepper – music, 435.46; John Deere – parts, 300.57; Matheson – supplies, 207.94; Mid-American Research – supplies, 928.97; MJ's Sinclair – bulbs, 10.26; National Geographic – subscription, 130.63; Northside Implement – repairs, 5,207.87; Northwestern Energy – utilities, 661.96; Otis Elevator – repairs, 735.50; Prorate Services – testing, 105.00; Runnings – bulbs, 14.99; School Specialty – planners, 373.96; SDHSAA – fee, 50.00; Cody Swanson – supplies, 186.14; Taylor Music – repairs, 516.91; Universal Athletic – warm ups, 438.00. Total General Fund – \$396,182.50.

CAPITAL OUTLAY: A&B Business – print agreement, 1,921.61; Agency Fund – advance pays, 12,797.00; American Solutions – table, 295.00; Connecting Point – computer batteries/drives, 678.00; Dakota Supply – flush valves, 329.52; Daktronics – parts, 2,455.00; Michael Frederick – book, 24.00; Grazzini Brothers – tile work, 3,458.45; Groton Area – yearbooks, 150.00; Midwest Masonry – tuck pointing, 27,000.00; Obermiller Nelson Engineering – boiler, 1,487.50; School Specialty – table, 404.21; School Outlet – chairs, 286.66; Sweetwater – band equipment, 1,662.43. Total Capital Outlay – \$52,949.38.

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SPECIAL ED: Net Salary – 28,043.77; FIT – 2,283.09; Medicare – 1,040.24; FICA – 4,448.12; SD Retirement – 4,615.54; Waddell & Reed – 200.00; AFLAC – 907.33; Delta Dental – 707.34; SD Supplemental Retirement – 100.00; Wellmark – 10,095.00; Reliastar Life – 192.37; Avesis Vision – 74.24; Agency Fund – advance pays, 721.02; North Central Special Ed Coop – protocols, 434.48; Judy or Gene Williamson – mileage, 564.48. Total Special Ed – \$54,427.02.

ENTERPRISE: Food Service Net Salary – 4,805.18; FIT – 311.31; Medicare – 170.30; FICA – 728.28; SD Retirement – 575.90; AFLAC – 285.00; Wellmark – 1,526.00; Reliastar – 3.84; Avesis – 53.76; Ace Refrigeration – repairs, 863.94; Agency Fund – advanced pays, 2,111.25; Cintas – aprons/towels, 61.34; CWD – food, 3,490.87; Dean Foods – milk, 1,301.83; Earthgrains – food, 359.55; Reinhart – food, 5,089.29; US Foods – food, 4,627.17 Total Food Service – \$26,364.81. OST Net Salary – 3,252.13; FIT – 219.07; Medicare – 115.06; FICA – 491.80; SD Retirement – 353.64; AFLAC – 163.93; Wellmark – 671.00; Reliastar – 16.92; Agency Fund – advance pays, 2,388.01. Total OST – \$7,671.56. Total Enterprise Funds – \$34,036.37.

AGENCY FUND: Total – \$77,352.78.

RECEIPTS: Local Sources, Taxes – 17,337.33; Other Local Sources – 116,758.35; County Sources – 2,723.01; Other Sources – 4,170.00. Total Receipts – \$140,988.69.

Members of the public were allowed five minutes to address the board on any topic of their choice. With no public members present to speak, the board proceeded with their remaining agenda items.

The board heard program presentations from Junior Kindergarten teacher Alexa Schuring, Kindergarten teachers Ann Gibbs and Lindsey DeHoet and 1st grade teachers Emily Eichler and Julie Milbrandt.

Moved by Harder, second Rix to approve September Financials, Agency Accounts, Investments. Motion carried.

Moved by Gengerke, second Weismantel to approve the transportation report. Motion carried.

Moved by Pharis, second Gengerke to approve the school lunch report. Motion carried.

The following topics were discussed in administrative reports: elementary tuck pointing, MS/HS boiler, enrollment, DOE Accreditation 2019 Special Education Review, paraprofessional certification, school crisis response team, Needs Assessment progress, OST update, teacher in-service, PSAT, book drive, parent/teacher conferences, scholarships, flu shot clinic, annual report progress, and profit/loss statement.

Music teachers Cody Swanson, Desiree Yeigh and Austin Fordham reported on their Spring 2020 music trip to Bronson, MO. A tentative agenda for their April 16-19, 2020 trip was presented. With approval from the board, teachers will be getting information out to parents with the goal of sending 70 to 84 paying passengers, including students and adults.

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Superintendent Schwan presented an overview of the 2019 School, District and State Report Cards.

Moved by Rix, second Gengerke to hire Kyle Gerlach as elementary paraprofessional at \$13.85/hour and assistant boys basketball coach at 8% of base salary. Motion carried.

Moved by Weismantel, second Gengerke to approve request from School District Attorney, Rodney Freeman, for contribution of \$140 toward his attendance at the national Education Law Association 2019 Annual Meeting. Motion carried.

Superintendent Schwan reported on the Health Food Service Inspections conducted on 10/01/19.

Smith read a letter from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church for use of a school bus to attend a youth rally in Brookings on November 9, 2009. Moved by Weismantel, second Pharis to approve. Motion carried.

Smith read a letter of resignation from elementary paraprofessional, Molly Ringgenberg, effective on 10/25/19. Moved by Gengerke, second Fliehs to approve. Motion carried.

Moved by Gengerke, second Weismantel to adjourn at 8:55 pm. Motion carried.

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M. J. Weber, Business Manager

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Steven R. Smith, President

The addition of signatures to this page verifies these minutes as official.

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