

OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2020
BATESLAND BOARD ROOM
"Unofficial"

MINUTES

The Oglala Lakota County School Board held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 28 , 2020 at the Batesland School Board Conference Room. President Laticia DeCory called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m.

Members present: Ms. Laticia DeCory, President (via tele-conference)
Ms. Debbie Blue Bird, Vice-President
Mr. Todd O'Bryan
Mr. Chuck Conroy
Mr. Tom Conroy

Others present: Dr. Anthony Fairbanks, Superintendent
Sophia Conroy, Business Manager
Mike Hickey, School Attorney (via tele-conference)
Oi Zephier, Director of Personnel
Cindy Keegan, Director of Special Education (via tele-conference)
Danielle Walking Eagle, Federal Programs Director (via tele-conference)
Stephanie Eisenmenger, Lakota Tech High School Principal (tele-conf)
Mary Jo Fairhead, Batesland School Principal (via tele-conference)
Brian O'Connor, Red Shirt School Principal (via tele-conference)
Melvin Sierra, Virtual High School Principal (via tele-conference)
Nora Blue Bird, Assistant Business Manager/Payroll
Robert Sullivan, Technology Director
Jesse Trueblood, Director of Security
Karen Bush, Administrative Assistant
Patti Nelson, Executive Assistant
Jennifer Sierra, Rockyford Principal (via tele-conference)
Ray Rothe, Rockyford Principal (via tele-conference)
Toby Morris, Financial Consultant/Daugherty Financial (tele-conference)
Jake Schluckerbier, Scull Construction (via tele-conference)
Steve Ivey, Scull Construction (via tele-conference)
Joey Vrooman, Casey Peterson & Associates (via tele-conference)
Mike Hickey, School Attorney (via tele-conference)

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

0349. Approval of Agenda
Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by O'Bryan to approve the agenda, as presented, with modifications: To table 2020-21 School Calendar and to add COVID Grant Writer Proposal to action items. Motion carried. (Attachment A)
0350. Conflict of Interest
Superintendent Fairbanks reported no conflicts of interest reported by school board members.
0351. Approval of Minutes
Motion by T. Conroy, seconded by O'Bryan to approve regular meeting minutes of March 31, 2020; and special meeting minutes of April 8, 2020. Motion carried.
0352. Reports
The School Board reviewed and acknowledged reports from principals and administrators. Verbal updates were also provided, followed by inquiries and discussion with school board members.
0353. Citizens
There were no citizens in attendance requesting to address the board.
0354. School Board Election Update
Discussion was held in regard to the upcoming school board election and the fact that polling places may change from in previous years ,in an effort to have more space available in polling places, due to recommendations in regard to protecting voters and election workers from the COVID-19 epidemic.
0355. Applications for Payment/Change Orders
Toby Morris, Financial Consultant, presented the following payment requests, in addition to request for change orders, as listed:
a) Pay Application #10: CTE High School \$1,995,646.76; and
b) Consultant Fee in the amount of \$6,800.00 for consultant work for US Bank;
c) Change Order Request #027 for WC Elementary Renovation: \$12,453.57;
d) Change Order Request #026 for WC Elementary Renovation: \$3,858.67;
e) Change Order Request #003 for CTE High School: \$6,195.14.
f) Change Order Request #005 for CTE High School: \$1,671.72.
0356. Policies – 1st Reading
The following policies were presented for introduction/first reading. Any suggestions, concerns, and/or input can be presented and discussed at the next month's school board meeting.
A) OLCSD Policy and Procedure Manual
B) OLCSD 2021-21 Mental Health Handbook
C) Student Handbooks
1. Lakota Technical High School

2. Elementary

D) 2020-21 Extra-Curricular Handbooks

1. Lakota Technical High School
2. Elementary

E) Federal Programs Policies

1. Federal Programs By-Laws
2. Title I Parent Involvement Policy
3. Student/Parent/Teacher Principal Compact

0357. OLCSD Summer School

Director of Federal Programs, Danielle Walking Eagle, and Director of Instruction and Assessment, Connie Kaltenbach, provided information in regard to plans for providing educational instruction for all students, in addition to special education services, during the summer 2020 months.

0358. Fire Alarm Bids

Bids were received by the school district until April 21, 2020, 2:00 p.m. in the administrative office at Batesland, South Dakota, for upgrade of the fire alarm/sprinkler system at the Rockyford School.

Tim Cheever, of Upper Deck Architects, provided the recommendation to amend the bid advertisement and specifications, and re-advertise for bids.

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by T. Conroy to re-advertise for bids for the project.
Motion carried. (Attachment B)

0359. Upper Deck Pay Requests

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by C. Conroy to approve payment requests for Wolf Creek School Renovation and the CTE High School, in addition to change orders and consultant payment, as listed:

- a) Pay Application #10: CTE High School \$1,995,646.76; and
- b) Consultant Fee in the amount of \$6,800.00 for consultant work for US Bank;
- c) Change Order Request #027 for WC Elementary Renovation: \$12,453.57;
- d) Change Order Request #026 for WC Elementary Renovation: \$3,858.67;
- e) Change Order Request #003 for CTE High School: \$6,195.14;
- f) Change Order Request #005 for CTE High School: \$1,671.72.

Motion carried. (Attachment C)

0360. Financial Report

Business Manager Sophia Conroy and Joey Vrooman, of Casey Peterson & Associates, presented the financial report, in addition to verbal updates for the Board.
(Attachment D)

0361. CTE High School Report

Lakota Technical High School Principal, Stephanie Eisenmenger, provided an update on instructional pathways which will be offered to students at the OLCSD Certified Technical Education High School, in the fall of 2020, which is anticipated to open in Fall of 2020. A staffing update was also provided, in addition to a financial report provided by Joey Vrooman of Casey Peterson & Associates. (Attachment E)

0362. Financial Reports/Grant Writer Proposal

Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by T. Conroy to approve the CTE High School Financial Report, the Oglala Lakota County School District Financial Report; in addition, to authorize administration to move forward with working out details of the COVID Grant Writer Proposal. Motion carried. (Attachment F,G,H)

0363. Disbursements

Motion by T. Conroy, seconded by O'Bryan to approve all disbursements, as listed. Motion carried. (Attachment I)

0364. Summer School Program

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by C. Conroy to approve the Student OLCSD Summer School Process and Procedures. Motion carried. (Attachment J)

0365. Executive Session

Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by T. Conroy to go into executive session at 5:04 p.m. to discuss personnel. Motion carried.

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by C. Conroy to declare executive session ended at 5:40 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.

0366. Personnel

Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by O'Bryan to approve all personnel recommendations as listed on personnel agenda, including the following modification:

1st choice Lakota Tech High School Counselor position to Etheleen Cournoyer;

2nd choice Kathleen Parkinson; and

1st choice Lakota Tech High School Secretary position to Troy Lynn Weston;

2nd choice Jolee Risse.

Motion carried. (Attachment K)

0367. Consent Agenda Items

Motion by T. Conroy seconded by O'Bryan to approve the consent agenda items, as listed.

1) May Regular School Board Meeting – Tuesday, May 26, 2020 at Batesland Board Room, beginning at 3:00 p.m.

2) OLCSD COVID-19 Plan of Action; (Attachment J)


3) Classified and Certified Associations negotiations postponed until a future date, pending COVID budgetary consideration.

4) School Board Election, Tuesday, June 16, 2020.

Motion carried.

0368. Adjournment

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by C. Conroy to adjourn the meeting at 5:47 p.m. Motion carried.

Signed 
Sophia Conroy, Business Manager

Approved by the School Board on the 26th day of May, 2020.

Signed _____
Laticia DeCory, President