

**OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2020
RED SHIRT SCHOOL**

MINUTES

The Oglala Lakota County School Board held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, January 23, 2020 at Red Shirt School. President Laticia DeCory called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m.

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

Others present: Dr. Anthony Fairbanks, Superintendent
Sophia Conroy, Business Manager
Oi Zephier, Director of Personnel
Connie Kaltenbach, Director of Curriculum/Assessment
Cindy Keegan, Director of Special Education
Danielle Walking Eagle, Federal Programs Director
Ray Rothe, Rockyford Principal
Stephanie Eisenmenger, Lakota Technical High School Principal
Mary Jo Fairhead, Batesland School Principal
Brian O'Connor, Red Shirt School Principal
Shawna Bettelyoun, Red Shirt Technology
Melvin Sierra, Virtual High School Principal
Karen Bush, Administrative Assistant
Patti Nelson, Executive Assistant
Melissa Iron Cloud, Wolf Creek Principal
Jennifer Sierra, Rockyford Principal
Ray Rothe, Rockyford Principal
Alicia Stolley, Wolf Creek Principal
J.L. Trueblood, Director of Security
Jake Schluckerbier, Scull Construction
Joey Vrooman, Casey Peterson & Associates
Diedre Budahl, Casey Peterson & Associates
Candy Bornsen, Business Office Assistant

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

- 0221. Approval of Agenda
Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Conroy to approve the agenda, as presented. Motion carried. (Attachment A)
- 0222. Conflict of Interest
Superintendent Fairbanks reported no conflicts of interest among school board members.
- 0223. Approval of Minutes
Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by Blue Bird to approve regular meeting minutes of December 17, 2019; special meeting minutes of December 23, 2020; special meeting minutes of January 9, 2020; and special meeting minutes of January 14, 2020. Motion carried.
- 0224. 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. Dr. Fairbanks introduced the newest member of the administrative team, Ms. Danielle Walking Eagle, Federal Programs Director.
- 0225. Citizens
There were no citizens in attendance requesting to address the board.
- 0226. Construction Update
Jake Schluckerbier, of Scull Construction, provided updates for the school board and administration regarding the Wolf Creek Middle School expansion project and construction progress of the Lakota Technical High School.
- 0227. Applications for Payment
Discussion was held in regard to payments submitted from Upper Deck, on behalf of Scull Construction, for construction work which has been completed.
- 0228. Request for Change Order
Discussion was held in regard to change orders on the high school construction project; namely in the kitchen, in addition to adding bleachers in the mezzanine section of the high school gymnasium and sealing mechanical mezzanine in the high school, above the kitchen.
- 0229. Upper Deck Payment Request
Upper Deck Architects submitted a request for payment for design work which has been completed on the Wolf Creek construction project.

0230. TERO Payment

Mr. Toby Morris, financial consultant, reported (via telephone conference) to the school board that a payment to the TERO Office in the amount of \$17,737.50 is due. This payment is to retain compliance with TERO fees for the Wolf Creek construction project.

0231. Business Office Updates

Sophia Conroy, Business Manager, provided a brief update on the school district's business office and introduced the newest member of her staff, Ms. Nora Blue Bird, Assistant Business Manager.

0232. Lakota Technical High School Update

Ms. Stephanie Eisenmenger, Lakota Technical High School Principal, updated the school board and administration on staff and teaching positions which will be advertised, in addition to those currently being recommended for hire. She reported that student interest has been growing, in part due to visits to surrounding K-8 schools in the region. She has provided information for students regarding opportunities the Oglala Lakota Technical High School can provide to students.

0233. School Board Election

School board members were provided possible dates for the upcoming school board election scheduled for June, 2020. Discussion was held whether to combine with the state of South Dakota, or hold the district's election on an alternate date.

0234. Executive Session

Motion by C. Conroy seconded by O'Bryan to go into executive session at 1:36 p.m. to discuss personnel. Motion carried.

President DeCory declared executive session ended at 2:26 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.

0235. Personnel

Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by T. Conroy to approve all personnel recommendations, as listed on personnel agenda, with the following modification and edit: Remove Gregg Ross from the list as 6th-8th Grade Teacher at Rockyford School. Motion carried. (Attachment B)

0236. Resignations

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by C. Conroy to approve resignations submitted by Oglala Lakota County School District employees, with the approval of Superintendent Fairbanks. Payroll will cease as per date of individual resignation. Motion carried. (Attachment B)

0237. Applications for Payment

Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by T. Conroy to approve request for payment, as recommended by Tim Cheevers of Upper Deck Architects, and Toby Morris, Financial Consultant, as follows:

- a) #14 for work completed on the Wolf Creek bus barn in the amount of \$41,445.94;
- b) #7 for work completed on the high school in the amount of \$1,462,341.91;
- c) # 21 for work completed on the Wolf Creek Elementary School additions & renovation in the amount of \$537,238.52.

Motion carried. (Attachment C)

0238. Requests for Change Order

Motion by T. Conroy, seconded by O'Bryan to approve the three requests for change order, as follows:

- a) High school kitchen - modify kitchen equipment, PR# 002, in the amount of \$1,797.10.
- b) Adding bleachers on the mezzanine level of high school gymnasium, PC #9, in the amount of \$74,442.79.
- c) Sealing existing mechanical mezzanine above kitchen in high school building, PC #8, in the amount of \$5,020.20.

Motion carried. (Attachment D)

0239. Upper Deck Payment Request

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by C. Conroy to approve payments to Upper Deck Architects for design work which has been completed on the Wolf Creek Elementary School Renovation in the amounts of \$6,902.00 and \$16,800.00. Motion carried. (Attachment E)

0240. TERO Fee Payment

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Blue Bird to approve a payment to the Oglala Sioux Tribal TERO Office in the amount of \$17,737.50. Motion carried. (Attachment F)

0241. Disbursements

Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by O'Bryan to approve all disbursements, as listed. Motion carried. (Attachment G)

0242. Financials

Mr. Joey Vrooman, of Casey Peterson & Associates, provided financial reports for the month of December, 2019. Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by C. Conroy to approve the financial report. Motion carried.

Mr. Vrooman also reported that new timeclocks for schools and administrative offices will be ordered, further ensuring that all business office employees will be fully trained in the new payroll system. (Attachment H)

0243. Rockyford Fire Alarm System

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by C. Conroy to authorize administration to advertise for bids for purchase and installation of a fire alarm/sprinkler system for Rockyford School. Motion carried.

0244. School Board Election

Motion by T. Conroy, seconded by O'Bryan to set the date for the Oglala Lakota County School Board Election on Tuesday, June 16, 2020. Motion carried.

0245. Consent Agenda Item

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by C. Conroy to approve the consent agenda items, as listed.

- 1) February Regular School Board Meeting – Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at Rockyford School, beginning at 2:00 p.m.
- 2) Applications for Public School Exemption, as listed in file; (Attachment I)
- 3) Applications for Open Enrollment, as listed in file; (Attachment J)
- 3 KILI Broadcast Monday, Jan 27, 2020 at 5:00 pm.

0246. Out-of-State Travel

Motion by T. Conroy, seconded by O'Bryan to approve the request for out-of-state travel as follows:

- a) NAFIS (Impact Aid) Conference, Washington, DC, Mar. 15-17, 2020, For Dr. Fairbanks, Sophia Conroy, Danielle Walking Eagle, and board members who wish to attend.
- b) NAFIS/FISEF Training, Washington, DC, Mar. 13-14, 2020, for Sophia Conroy, Business Manager, and Danielle Walking Eagle, Federal Programs Director.

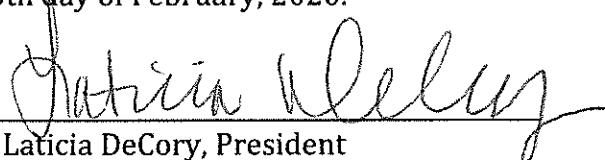
Motion carried. (Attachment K)

0247. Adjournment

Motion by T. Conroy, seconded by O'Bryan to adjourn the meeting at 2:53 p.m. Motion carried.

Signed _____
Sophia Conroy, Business Manager

Approved by the School Board on the 25th day of February, 2020.

Signed 
Laticia DeCory, President