

**DAKOTA VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT #61-8
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MARCH 14, 2011
APPROVED MINUTES
DAKOTA VALLEY ADMINISTRATION CENTER**

REGULAR SESSION – 7:00 PM

*** All motions are carried and unanimously approved unless otherwise indicated.**

The Regular Meeting of the Dakota Valley Board of Education was called to order by Chairperson Gunderson at 6:58 pm on March 14, 2011. Roll Call indicated the following members present: Gunderson, Peacock, Reiff, Smith, and Sexton. Administrators Leber, Rasmussen, King, Hummel, Ashmore, Halverson, Steckelberg, and Clements were also in attendance along with some Dakota Valley students and parents.

#0154 – Motion by Peacock, second by Smith, to approve the agenda as presented.

Leber led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition of visitors was held to identify any community member who wishes to address the board about any item on the current agenda.

Dakota Valley students gave a presentation to the board about famous people in history.

Dakota Valley students and parents left at 7:10pm.

#0155 - Motion by Sexton, second by Peacock, to approve the minutes of the regular February 14, 2011 Board of Education Meeting minutes as presented.

#0156 - Motion by Smith, second by Reiff, to approve the current bills/claims as presented.

#0157 – Motion by Sexton, second by Reiff, to approve and file the financial statements as presented.

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Administrative reports were reviewed.

The board gave Administrator Steckelberg permission to move forward with the HS auditorium projector project.

#0158 - Motion by Reiff, second by Peacock, to approve the Administrative recommendation to transfer \$98,366.11 from the Capital Projects Fund to the Nylen Science Center Fund.

#0159 - Motion by Peacock, second by Reiff, to approve the transfer of the July 2010 through March of 2011 utility bills from the General Fund to the Capital Outlay Fund and expensing the remaining FY2011 utility bills out of the Capital Outlay Fund instead of the General Fund.

#0160 - Motion by Sexton, second by Smith, to approve the tuition rates for the driver's education program as follows;

1. \$250 for DV high school and middle school students
2. \$250 for resident students who attend school in another district
3. \$350 for non-resident students

Appointments to the Equalization Boards will be as follows;

1. City of North Sioux City – Reiff (March 21st @ 6:00pm)
2. Union County – Sexton (Meeting date not yet set)
3. Big Sioux Township – Gunderson (March 17th @5:00pm)
4. Jefferson Township – Sexton (March 22nd @7:00pm)

If Gunderson is unable to make it to the Big Sioux Township meeting Sexton will take her place.

#0161 – Motion by Reiff, second by Smith, to approve the purchasing of a new Daktronics scoreboard's for the high school gymnasium at a cost of \$46,993 with the anticipation that the cost will be offset by ad sales over the next 8 years.

Motion to consider approval of the bid from Avery Brothers to install a new outdoor electronic message board in the amount of \$32,600 which included a \$10,000 donation from the Dakota Valley Booster Club died for a lack of motion. The board will ask that the Booster Club donate for motion #0161 instead.

Motion to consider extending the deadline for staff to sign up for the district early retirement program from March 15th to April 1st was tabled until the end of the meeting.

#0162 – Motion by Smith, second by Peacock, to approve the student assignment request of Keith and Chelsea Fisher for their nieces (Corrina Lopez, 5th grade and Taylor Mooney, 7th Grade).

A budget work session will be held Monday March 28th at 7:00pm.

The 1st reading of the following policies and revisions were conducted;

1. Policy JFA – Student Due Process Rights.
2. Policy JFCC – Student Conduct on School Buses.
3. Policy JFCH/JFCI – Alcohol and Other Drug Use by Students.
4. Policy JFE/JFF – Pregnant/Married Students
5. Policy JFG-R – Searches.

#0163 – Motion by Peacock, second by Smith, to approve the following personnel matters:

Leave Requests:

1. Medical leave for Nicole Westcott for the remainder of the 2010-11 school year.
2. Maternity leave for Jennifer Galles on or about April 21, 2011.

#0152 – Motion by Reiff, second by Smith, to enter executive session at 7:56pm.

Executive session ended at 8:52pm.

#0153 – Motion by Peacock, second by Smith, to approve extending the deadline for the staff to sign up for the districts early retirement program from March 15th to April 1st.

#0154 – Motion by Sexton, second by Reiff, to adjourn at 9:35 pm.

Mike Hamm
Business Manager

Kathy Gunderson
Chairperson

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