

**DAKOTA VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT #61-8**  
**REGULAR JANUARY 10, 2000 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
**APPROVED MINUTES**  
**DAKOTA VALLEY ADMINISTRATION CENTER**  
**REGULAR SESSION – 7:00 PM**

The regular January 10, 2000 meeting of the Dakota Valley Board of Education was called to order by Chairperson Fuxa at 7:05 p.m. Roll call indicated the following board members present: Cook, Dailey, Fuxa, Gunderson and Meyer. Administrators Leber, Bietz, Ashmore, Clements, Halverson, Hummel, and Rasmussen were present along with members of the staff and community.

Motion by Gunderson, second by Cook, to approve the agenda as presented, was unanimous.

Motion by Cook, second by Dailey, to approve the minutes of the regular December 13, 1999 and the special January 5, 2000 board of education meeting minutes, was unanimous.

Motion by Gunderson, second by Dailey, to approve the bills/claims as presented with a deduct correction in the payment to L&L Builders in the amount of \$62,053, was unanimous. (Note: Actual pay request from L&L Builders in the amount of \$145,312 was approved, pending verification of inventory stored on-site by Board Members Dailey and Meyer)

Motion by Gunderson, second by Meyer, to approve and file the financial statement dated December 31, 1999, was unanimous.

Motion by Gunderson, second by Meyer, **to duly resolve and approve** the transfer of Contingency Funds, in the amount of \$505, to Athletic Professional Services, was unanimous.

Motion by Gunderson, second by Meyer, **to duly resolve and approve** the transfer of Contingency Funds, in the amount of \$2,500, to Elementary Instruction, was unanimous.

Dakota Valley Booster Club President Rhonda Gleason reported on upcoming Booster events.

Motion by Gunderson, second by Cook, **to duly resolve and approve** June 13, 2000, as the date for the Annual School Board Election, was unanimous.

Motion by Dailey, second by Cook, to set a Special Board of Education Meeting for Wednesday, February 9, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. for “Goal Setting” with Superintendent of Schools, was unanimous.

Motion by Cook, second by Gunderson, to accept the donation of computers and miscellaneous equipment from IBP, was unanimous. The board wished to thank IBP for their generous donation to the district.

No action was taken on Open Enrollment application(s) from Mary Zoss for Candice Spencer (Grade 10) for 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester of the 1999-00 school year, from Roger/Barbara Christopher-Holt for Jared Christopher-Holt (Grade 6) and Kara Christopher-Holt (Grade K) for the 2000-01 school year, from Geoff/Gail Obeney for Nicola Obeney (Grade 6) for the 2000-01 school year, and from Tim/Cherie Schmadeke for Jordan Schmadeke (Grade 4) for the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of the 1999-00 school year.

Superintendent Leber reported on the following:

- A.) Elementary School Building Project
- B.) Waitt Foundation "Lucas Presentation"
- C.) Legislative Day in Pierre
- D.) Dedication Plaque for new ES building
- E.) Upcoming SDEA meeting
- F.) Administrative Contract Extensions

Motion by Gunderson, second by Dailey, to approve early dismissal of school at 2:30 p.m. on January 31, 2000, pending notification from the Waitt Foundation, was unanimous.

Clements reported on a recent national convention and the status of district athletic training services.

Rasmussen presented change proposals for the high school grading scale and graduation requirements. After discussion, motion by Cook, second by Meyer, to discontinue the use of the term "Honors" in course titles and the weighted grade point average for courses previously titled as such, effective for the 2000-01 school year, was unanimous.

Rasmussen also gave updates on block scheduling and PictureTel.

Halverson reported on the upcoming middle school field trip to Chicago.

Hummel updated the board on the upcoming teacher inservice.

Ashmore reviewed SD writing assessment results and reported on ESL and School-to-Work.

The board recessed at 9:32 p.m. and reconvened at 9:36 p.m.

Beach from Lunchtime Solutions re-presented a Kitchen Use Request. Following discussion, motion by Meyer, second by Dailey, to decline the request, was unanimous.

Motion by Gunderson, second by Meyer, to approve Elizabeth Noyes as third grade teacher at BA+15 (3), in the amount of \$11,550.60 (prorated from \$22,972), was unanimous.

Motion by Dailey, second by Cook, to approve a contract for Emily Pitts as 0.5 FTE Educational Assistant (Middle School), at \$6.43/Hour (Step 1 –HS Educ.), was unanimous.

Committee Reports from Technology, Building/Grounds, Policy, and Insurance were heard.

Board Reports, Use of School Equipment/Buildings, and Library usage were reviewed.

The board recessed at 10:10 p.m. and reconvened at 10:22 p.m.

Motion by Dailey, second by Cook, to move into executive session at 10:23 p.m. for discussion of personnel matters, was unanimous. Leber and Bietz were included in the executive session.

Open session reconvened at 10:52 p.m. Motion by Dailey, second by Gunderson, to approve one-year extensions to the administrative contracts of Leber, Bietz, Rasmussen, Halverson, Hummel, Ashmore, and Clements with salaries to be negotiated at a later date, was unanimous.

Motion by Dailey, second by Gunderson to approve deadline extension for Administrator Doyle Massey to renew SD teaching certificate per the completion of a correspondence course, was unanimous.

Motion by Meyer, second by Cook, to adjourn at 10:55 p.m.

Jason L. Bietz  
Business Manager

Don Fuxa  
Chairperson