

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD
NORTHWESTERN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT #56-7
REGULAR MEETING, DECEMBER 14, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Northwestern Area School Board was held on December 14, 2015, at the school in Mellette with the following present: Brett Toennies, Troy Grandpre, Mary Mielke, Amy Troske, and Heidi Boekelheide, Others present: Ryan Bruns, Rich Osborn, Lisa Frericks, Jeff Vander Wal and Jessica Strong. All motions were passed on a unanimous vote unless otherwise indicated.

The meeting was opened by Chairman Toennies with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The agenda was approved upon a **motion** by Mielke/Troske (action #16-072).

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS: Jeff Vander Wal explained the class, Opportunities in Agriculture, that he will be teaching next semester. The ag class will be offered to high school students and is scheduled to be before school starts, two or three times a week depending on the students activity schedule. Jessica Strong addressed the Board stating that she was there in case the Board had any questions for her.

MINUTES & FINANCIALS: **Motion** by Mielke/Grandpre to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2015, regular meeting without change (action 16-073). **Motion** by Mielke/Grandpre to approve the unadjusted financial statement for November 30, 2015, and order it placed on file (action 16-074). **General Fund:** Beginning Balance, \$1,453,750.07; Revenue: Taxes \$420,968.58; Interest \$324.59; Co-Curr/Student Activities \$218; Donations \$150; Ins Proceeds \$40; Medicaid Admin \$365.18; Other Local Revenues \$1,613.49; County Apportionment \$1,591.11; State Revenues \$13,502; Small Rural Ach. Grant \$350. Expenditures: Instruction \$83,405.69; Title I Instruction \$5,816.56; Support Services \$57,748.10; Co-Curr \$19,737.43, Ending Balance \$1,726,165.24. **Capital Outlay:** Beginning Balance \$366,738.84; Revenue: Taxes \$193,064.39. Expenditures: Instruction \$4,613.09; Support Services \$13,814.37; Co-Curr Activities \$1,512.10, Ending Balance \$539,863.67. **Special Education:** Beginning Balance \$284,596.81, Revenue: Taxes \$91,092.69; Medicaid \$1,565.42. Expenditures: Instruction \$27,704.57; Administration \$833.43, Ending Balance \$348,716.92. **Food Service:** Beginning Balance \$11,052.44, Revenue: Lunch/Bkfst Sales \$7,954.55; Federal Reimbursements \$5,840.67. Expenditures: Payroll Expenses \$5,056.97; Food purchases \$9,232.97; Supplies & Services \$587.78, Ending \$9,969.94. **Non-Credit Programs:** Beginning Balance (\$4,086.23); Revenue: Preschool Tuition \$8,150. Expenditures: Preschool Payroll \$2,892.35, Ending Balance \$1,171.42. **Trust & Agency:** Beginning Balance \$153,026.23; Receipts \$34,188.64; Disbursements (\$37,344.23); Ending Balance \$149,870.64. **Motion** by Mielke/Boekelheide to pay the following current claims (action 16-075): **General Fund:** Aberdeen American News, publish minutes 187.84; Aberdeen Chrysler, repairs 849.75; Bob Braasch, parts 17.42; Century Business Products, copy mgmt 80.76; Churchill Manolis Freeman, legal 310.79; Cole Papers, supplies 1632.41; Crescent Electric, supplies 200.01; Dakota Electronics, filter 54; Daktronics, parts 1125; Decker Eq, supplies 32.45; Dept of Health, nursing services 160; Dependable Sanitation, garbage 308; Dust-tex, dust mops 98.80; Eide Bailly, audit 9500; ETA Hand2mind, materials 516.77; FU-Chelsea, repairs 288.57; Lisa Frericks, ipad covers 82.93; Jennifer Hahler, registration 250; Harr Motors, vehicle repairs 175.25; Heuer Publishing, scripts 87; James Valley Tele, phone 487.28; Kesslers, supplies 3; Mac's, supplies 24.49; McGraw Hill School Ed, workbooks 448.91; Menards, supplies 885.59; Mid American Research Chemical, gym supplies 3438.12; Holly Morgan, coaching class 40; Rich Osborn, travel expenses 33.69; Pepper & Son, music 199.84; Praxair, supplies 138.27; Prepaid checks, advance pymt 1244.71; Productivity Plus, parts 557.75; Runnings, supplies 24.96; School Specialty, supplies 110.73; SDMEA, registration 54; The Shop, repairs 2044.55; Taylor Music, supplies/repairs 180; Time Management Services 44.40; Training Room, athletic supplies 196.75; Tri-State, water 142. **Capital Outlay:** Century Business Products, copy mgmt. 726.95; Denise Clemens, gas 89.60; Farmers Union Conde, Fuel 600.34; Farmers Union Chelsea, fuel 2856.16; Jolinda Finley, gas 55.06; GE Capital, copy machine lease 369; Hauff Mid America, uniforms 1507; Menards, closet materials 2208.97; Northwestern Energy, power 4831.23; Richard Osborn, gas 37; Prepaid Checks 179.95; Safe-n-Secure, security camera 1035.58. **Special Education:** Avera St. Lukes Hospital, medical services 5338.86; Community Memorial Hospital, medical services 114.11; Northwestern School, preschool fee 330; prepaid checks, 69.97; Tamara Rahm, supplies 19.59. **Food Service:** Ameripride,

towel service 409.17; Cash-Wa, groceries 4835.90; Cole Papers, supplies 121.40; Kens, milk 3.49; Kesslers, food 119.53; MARC, oven cleaner 135.73; SD DOE, commodities 1319.35; US Food, groceries 3350.21. **Prepaid Checks:** AT&T, cell phone 125.46; Cardmember Services, 498.85; DCI, background check 43.25; Jacky Fortin, fingerprint fee 7; Langford School District, Oral Interp fees 62.70; Prorate Services, renewal fee 65; USPM, postage 138.70; Walmart, supplies 115.64; Web, water 438.03.

NOVEMBER 2015 PAYROLL (including taxes and benefits): Instruction \$85,690.25; Support \$45,927.22; Student Activities \$14,734.07; Special Education \$22,985.03; Food Service \$5,056.97; Preschool \$2,892.35. The following were additional wages paid: Kris Boekelheide, sub teacher \$310, coaching \$1,545; Ben Buisker, coaching \$1,091; Dan Duenwald, asbestos reporting \$400; Vinton Gabel, voed \$570; Jenn Hahler, tickets \$20; Tamra Haven, sub teacher \$42.50; Rose Hoellein, kitchen \$170; Collin Lindhorst, tickets \$20; Judy Lindhorst, sub teacher \$55; Elizabeth Maunu, sub teacher \$255; Gretchen Mayer, sub teacher \$85; Amanda Morgan, detention \$80; Holly Morgan, coaching \$1,545; Nathan Peterson, coaching \$1,091; Elissa Reppe, coaching \$2,471; Jordan Russell, coaching \$3,344; Jennifer Schell, stipend \$100; Kayla Sparling, sub driver \$26; Don Stahl, sub driver \$104; Laura Steward, sub teacher \$255; Beth Vander Wal, sub teacher \$85; Kathy Wendt, sub teacher \$55; Rene Wood, extra driving 63.

REPORTS: **Mr. Brett Toennies** (1) The Hub Area building was sold at auction for \$470,000. **Mr. Rich Osborn:** (1) ICU notices will be sent through infinite campus database. Parents will now receive information on missing assignments through email and at inbox on the parent portal. (2) MS received \$500 from Volunteers of America, for participating in the tobacco survey. (3) Thurl Bailey presented a message on perseverance to grades 5-12 last Monday. It was very well received by students and staff. Thanks to Kim Peterson for helping to line him up. (4) Dual credit sign ups continue through December 18th. (5) Finals will be December 21st & 22nd. **Mr. Ryan Bruns:** (1) Blueprints have been sent to the architect to consider possible updates to the locker rooms, and we are also considering an update to the main entrance so foot traffic would have to go through the office before going anywhere else in the building. There is not a cost at this time unless we decide to move forward with a project. (2) Mrs. Fortin began work on Monday. (3) The NW Elementary Christmas concert will be Friday at 2:00. American Bank & Trust Insurance will be providing students with Cherry Berry they will eat in their classrooms after the concert and they will be selling Cherry Berry as a fundraiser for patrons as well. (4) Mr. Bruns attended the Superintendents Conference in Chamberlain last week. There was a long discussion on teacher's pay and what the legislature may do to help the schools increase the salaries. (5) Superintendent evaluations forms were distributed to the board members to complete. The evaluation will be completed at the January meeting. **Mrs. Lisa Frericks:** (1) Renewed a CD at American Bank & Trust at .77 (2) Mr. Toennies & Mr. Grandpre's term expires June 2016 (3) I will be gone from December 23 – January 2nd.

INFORMATION AND APPROVAL ITEMS (1) **Motion** by Mielke/Boekelheide to approve the contract amendment to BS+32, increase of \$400, for Christy Cardella (action 16-076). (2) **Motion** by Grandpre/Troske to approve the paraprofessional employment agreement for Jacklyn Fortin at \$10 per hour (action 16-077). (3) **Motion** by Mielke/Boekelheide to approve Nathan Stuck and Jeff Vander Wal as a volunteer (action 16-078). (4) **Motion** by Boekelheide/Troske to approve the traditional school election date as June 21st, 2016 (action 16-079).

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

- Congratulations to Kirstin Borge and Madison Styles for being named Academic All-State for volleyball!
- Congratulations to Addison Sparling (2nd Team), Josie Clemens (2nd Team), Peyton Groft (1st Team), and Darby Duncan (1st Team) for receiving All-Conference volleyball awards. Darby also received Conference MVP.
- Congratulations to Peyton Groft and Darby Duncan for being named to the *Aberdeen American News* All-Area volleyball team.
- Congratulations to Cody Lefforge on being named to the All-Lake Region Conference Team for football and to Logan Schentzel for being Honorable Mention.

- Congratulations to the NW Reader's Theatre for receiving a Superior at the State Oral Interp. The team is consist of Allison Braun, Kate Finley, Darienne Frericks, Andrea Rausch, and Codi Sparling.
- Congratulations to the 6th Grade MathCounts Team for placing 2nd at the Holgate Competition (Jessica Boekelheide, Sam Groft, Megan Nash, Mackenzie Stoltenberg). Also congratulations to the individual winners: Sam Groft 5th place and Jessica Boekelheide 7th place
- Congratulations to Peyton Groft for being named First Team All-State for volleyball and to Darby Duncan for being named Second Team All-State.
- Congratulations to Kris Boekelheide on being awarded Division B Area 1 Cross Country Coach of the Year!
- Congratulations to Isaac Groft for being chosen as the KSFY Touchstone Energy Scholar of the Week! Isaac was awarded \$100 and will be invited to attend the Touchstone Energy Scholar of the Week banquet in May.
- Congratulations to Isaac Groft for being named Academic All-State for Cross Country.
- Congratulations to Josie Clemens, Derek Boekelheide and Logan Schentzel for being named to the All-State Cross Country Team.

The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for Thursday, January 14, 2016, at 8:30 a.m.

The meeting was declared adjourned upon a motion by Mielke/Grandpre (action #16-080).

Brett Toennies, Chairman

Lisa Frericks, Business Manager

I hereby certify that these minutes were e-mailed to the Aberdeen American News on Wednesday, December 16, 2015. Published at an approximate cost of \$_____.

Lisa Frericks, Business Manager