

UNAPPROVED

MINUTES OF SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 8, 2024

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF SPEARFISH SCHOOL DISTRICT 40-2, LAWRENCE COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA, WAS HELD AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE BUILDING ON THE 8TH DAY OF JANUARY 2024. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT: President Ellen Plocek via zoom, Vice President Ryan Niesent, Eric Skavang, Nathan Hoogshagen and Alesha Limbo. School administrators present were: Easton, Crosswait, Heilman, Main, Williams, Seyer, Wademan, Lyon, Sumners, Olson, Gottlob, and Anderson.

All motions were passed by unanimous vote unless stated otherwise.

Vice President Niesent called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Vice President Niesent led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion was made by Limbo, seconded by Skavang and carried to approve the agenda.

Jeff Yennie from Ketel Thorstenson presented the fiscal year 2023 financial audit.

Motion was made by Hoogshagen, seconded by Limbo and carried to approve the FY23 audit. Roll Call: Aye; Plocek, Niesent, Skavang, Hoogshagen, Limbo.

Middle School Principal Don Lyon introduced instructors and participants in the middle school archery club.

The Board did not have any conflict of interest waivers to consider.

Superintendent Kirk Easton updated the Board on the upcoming in-service, teacher of the year, CTE updated and equipment purchases and scheduling an open house in February and forming a committee to address AI and its impact on K-12 education.

Motion was made by Limbo, seconded by Hoogshagen and carried to call for the annual school board election, Tuesday, April 9, 2024 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center. Up for election are two three-year terms. Petitions for the School Board positions will be available on Friday, January 26, 2024 with a deadline for filing Friday, February 23, 2024 by 5:00 p.m. Roll Call: Aye; Plocek, Niesent, Skavang, Hoogshagen, Limbo

Motion was made by Hoogshagen, seconded by Limbo and carried to appoint Ellen Plocek and Eric Skavang as Board reps for negotiations with SEA and SCEA.

Motion was made by Skavang, seconded by Limbo and carried to approve the consent agenda.

- A. Personnel (*all hires contingent on successful completion of background check*)
 - 1. Approved the following resignations:
 - a. Caleb Ardis, Girls' JV Soccer Coach, effective 12/19/2023
 - 2. Approved the following extra-duty agreements:
 - a. Calvin Dobesh, MS Boys' Basketball Coach, Level 4 \$2,391.05
- B. Approved volunteers

A policy committee report and recommendation for first reading for revisions to the following policies was held.

- 1. Amended Policies/Administrative Regulations:
 - a. 5160 Student Travel

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- b. 5205 Student Due Process
- c. 5210 Student Suspension/Expulsion
- d. 5210AR Procedures for Student Suspensions and Expulsions
- e. 5210.1FM Notice of Hearing
- f. 5210.2FM Hearing Waiver
- g. 5340 Animals in Schools
- h. 6205 Selection of Instructional Resources and Materials
- i. 6240 Selection of Library Media
- j. 6270 Virtual/Online Courses
- k. 6400FM Request for Reconsideration of Instructional Materials or Library Media Form

A CTE donor wall and donation thresholds was discussed.

Motion was made by Hoogshagen, seconded by Limbo and carried to approve the regular meeting minutes of December 11, 2023.

Motion was made by Skavang, seconded by Hoogshagen and carried to approve the financial report and bills.

Motion was made by Limbo, seconded by Hoogshagen and carried to adjourn the meeting. 5:58 p.m.

Ellen Plocek, Board President

Craig Crosswait, Business Manager
