

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
FAITH SCHOOL DISTRICT 46-2
MEADE COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA**

The Board of Education of the Faith School District 46-2 met in regular session on Wednesday, February 14, 2018 with Chairman Vance calling the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Mr. Kraemer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Groves, Haines, Halligan, Vance and Welter.

No conflict disclosures were needed.

Motion by Welter, 2nd by Halligan to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Scott Vance conducted a live auction to sell the 1999 Chevrolet Suburban. The suburban was sold to Grant Simons in the amount of \$3,050.00.

Motion by Haines, 2nd by Welter to approve the consent agenda consisting of the January 10, 2018 regular meeting minutes along with the following financial statements and claims: Faith Imprest Fund: beginning balance 1,444.56; receipts – student meals 2,704.20, milk 71.80, adult meals 476.15, admissions – girls basketball 2,140.05, boys basketball 2,546.05, cross country 35.00, other 65.60; from district 2,427.24; expenses – girls basketball 976.80, boys basketball, supplies 196.00, other 46.20; to district 3,871.80; ending balance 6,239.89. Trust & Agency: beginning balance 51,219.67; receipts 3,009.40; expenses 5,391.71; ending balance 48,837.36. The district financial statement: beginning balance 1,389,515.17; receipts – ad valorem taxes 7,227.50, prior years taxes 83.19, penalties and interest on tax 138.09, interest earned 329.12, admissions 1,719.00, other revenue 11.80; county sources 2,793.59; state sources 181,633.00; federal sources 2,963.24; hot lunch 2,141.00; reimbursements 2,511.25. Total receipts 201,550.78; total expenditures 151,611.99; ending balance 1,439,453.96. Cash balances: General Fund 595,791.17; CMA 112,831.92; Capital Outlay 554,077.33; Special Education 57,279.66; Pension 29,103.99; Debt Service (4,580.44); Food Service 9,949.58; Capital Projects 85,000.75. Certified salaries 59,080.66, non-certified salaries 11,053.72, FIT 4,541.05; FICA 14,175.50; SDRS 11,759.50; AsPire Financial (403(b)) 390.00; First National Bank in Faith (Payflex) 1,143.67; Horace Mann Life Ins (annuities) 2,650.00; SUBS: K. Carmichael 258.58; S. Dixon 64.64; T. Donovan 129.29; L. Haines 258.58; D. Kelly 277.05; A. Kennedy 64.64. CLAIMS: General Fund –AFLAC (ins) 934.66; City of Faith (util) 1,282.05; CORE Educational Program (online classes) 5,460.00; Dakota Business Center (supp) 117.74; DeSmet School Dist. (Art class) 2,850.00; Faith Imprest Fund (officials, mlg, dues, mtnce) 1,798.96; Faith Independent (comm) 253.18; Farmers Union Oil (gas/fuel) 171.83; Fisher Gas Co. (util) 2,158.53; Golden West Teletech (switches) 7,063.24; Golden West Tele (comm) 118.19; Grand Electric Coop (util) 233.50; Hauff Mid-America (supp) 708.85; Heartland Paper (supp, mtnce) 273.67; Heartland Waste Mgmt. (util) 50.00; Horace Mann Life Ins (auto ins) 758.24; Iron Horse Ag Services (mtnce) 185.37; Josten’s Inc. (comm) 39.99; Krause Storage (rental) 65.00; Legal Shield (ins) 239.10; M&B Cleaning (custodial) 5,789.44; M&D Food Shop (gas/fuel) 937.19; MARC (supp) 406.13; MARCO (mtnce agmnt) 1,224.12; N. Fischbach (mlg) 105.95; Northern State University (online classes) 32.49; Parts Barn (mtnce) 251.90; Reliastar Life Ins (life ins) 24.35; SDIAAA (dues) 190.00; Serval Uniform (mtnce) 529.39; TIE (online classes) 3,375.00; Transamerica (ins) 20.41; Vila’s Health & Variety (supp) 2.49; Visa (fuel, supp) 386.13; Wellmark BCBS (health ins) 8,873.00; total General Fund 47,910.09. Capital Outlay – MARCO (lease) 2,461.64; total Capital Outlay 2,461.64. Special Education –AFLAC (ins) 165.39; Children’s Therapy Services (OT) 1,661.25; Legal Shield (ins) 53.80; Reliastar Life Ins (life ins) 2.94; Visa (supp) 243.00; Wellmark BCBS (health ins) 586.00; total Special Education 2,546.99. Food Service – CWD (food) 1,005.90; Lynn’s (food/milk) 668.33; Proguard Service and Solutions (supp) 478.75; Reliastar Life Ins (life ins) 1.96; Wellmark BCBS (health ins) 754.00; total Food Service 2,908.94. Total claims all funds 53,098.91. Motion carried.

No citizens were present to address the board.

Mr. Daughters gave the superintendent’s report. Mr. Daughters has been working on staff evaluations with a few left to complete. Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for February 15th from 1:30-7:00pm. The SMARTS Challenge has been rescheduled for a later date.

Mr. Kraemer gave the elementary principal’s report. Brianna Haines attended a testing workshop for Smarter Balanced Testing February 14-15. The local National History Day competition will be held on February 15th. The Regional Competition will be held in Harding County on March 14th and the State Competition will be held in Brookings. The first round of Civic Orations will be held the morning of March 13th. The next round will be

held on March 20th at the Faith American Legion Hall. The local spelling contest will be held April 4th and the NWAS Spelling contest will be held April 11th in Buffalo.

Lynn Halligan shared a Library Board report. The January meeting was held on January 8th and due to scheduling conflicts, the February meeting is scheduled for February 26th.

Noma Welter shared a NWAS report. The Director's evaluation was discussed and a continuing contract offered to Quinn Lenk. Discussion was held regarding the requirements for a full CTE credit each semester and what additional classes the units may need to offer. The stair treads on the mobile units will be fixed to ensure shoes, crutches, etc. do not slip through the steps.

Mr. Daughters shared a legislative update. He shared a bill giving the Joint Appropriations Committee the final say regarding school accountabilities had been introduced; another bill included a two-year average had been killed and we are still waiting to hear the state aid funding proposal.

The Negotiations Committee of Noma Welter and Justin Haines; and the Budget Committee including Noma Welter and Scott Vance will be meeting once the legislative session has ended.

Mr. Daughters shared an update on the building project. Mr. Daughters has been in contact with Scott Sikkink and Tony Albright regarding the completion and payment of the building project. They are coming closer to an agreement amongst themselves. The floor logo in the lunchroom was not completed and the board asked Mr. Daughters to ask for other quotes on logos in order to determine an amount that should be deducted from the final payment as the logo was part of the original bid.

Students in grades 7-11 were surveyed to determine if there would be an interest in establishing a wrestling program. Several of the students expressed interest. Mr. Schauer will contact the SDHSAA with follow-up questions such as a deadline to establish a team. More ground work will also be done to get firm commitments on assistance from the public.

The custodial contract was discussed as to whether to continue bidding the services or hiring custodial staff.

Bart Carmichael, Chairman of the Educational Structure Committee was present to share the recommendation of the committee regarding the structure of the classes going forward. He shared board members, administrators, teachers, parents and community members made up the committee and met several times to discuss potential structure changes. After much thought, discussion and research, it was the recommendation of the committee to combine Kindergarten and First Grade and to departmentalize grades 4-8. Dialogue was held concerning whether or not those changes would be sufficient or if there needed to be additional combining of classes.

Motion by Haines, 2nd by Groves to go into executive session per SDCL 1-25-2(4) for preparing for contract negotiations or negotiating with employees or employee representatives at 8:51pm. Motion carried.

Chairman Vance declared the board out of executive session at 9:01pm.

Motion by Haines, 2nd by Groves to inform the Faith Education Association of the intent to negotiate after the March 2018 regular meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Halligan, 2nd by Groves to offer a three-year contract to Kelly Daughters for the position of Superintendent/Special Education Director as well as a three-year contract to Amie Schauer for the position of Business Manager with the salary terms to be discussed at a later date. Motion carried.

Motion by Halligan, 2nd by Groves to advertise for bids for custodial/janitorial services. Bids will be opened at the April 2018 regular board meeting. Motion carried.

Based on the recommendation of the Educational Structure Committee and the further discussion held, motion by Groves, 2nd by Halligan to combine Kindergarten and First Grade, combine Second and Third Grade, and departmentalize grades 4-8. Motion carried. The board expressed its gratitude to the committee for their commitment, time, and effort.

Mr. Daughters shared a certificate from Associated School Boards of South Dakota honoring the Faith School District 46-2 Board of Education as part of School Board Recognition Week.

Chairman Vance declared the meeting adjourned at 9:21p.m.

Amie Schauer,
Business Manager