

UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF EDUCATION  
GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 06-6

REGULAR MEETING

October 11, 2016

President Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Conference Room. Members present: Fjelstad, Harder, Kjelden, Rix, Smith and Weismantel. Absent: Gengerke. Others present: Supt. J. Schwan, Principals A. Schwan and B. Schwan and Business Official Weber.

Moved by Weismantel, second Kjelden to approve the agenda with three amendments under New Business Item #2 – amend \$130 request to \$135, New Business Item #4 – approve promissory note and New Business Item #5 – approve Project Skills agreement. Motion carried.

There were no potential conflicts of interest reported.

Moved by Hader, second Rix to approve the following consent agenda items as presented: District minutes from September 12 and 27, North Central Special Ed Coop School of Record agenda items and District bills. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: Net Salary – 173,933.42; FIT – 19,749.31; Medicare – 6,624.24; FICA – 28,324.06; American Funds – 764.50; Washington National – 98.40; SD Retirement – 29,074.78; First National Bank HSAs – 100.00; Waddell & Reed – 1,301.40; Horace Mann – 539.21; Thrivent – 226.50; AFLAC – 2,090.91; Delta Dental – 4,501.86; SD Supplemental Retirement – 851.53; Wellmark BCBS – 64,035.00; Reliastar – 570.78; Aberdeen Awards – medals, 192.40; Acme Tools – supplies, 167.57; Agency Fund – advance payments, 21,354.57; Allied Climate Professionals – boiler & ac services, 8,091.85; Band Shoppe – shoes, 39.90; C. Barse – agenda refund, 5.00; Brown County Treasurer – spraying, 123.36; Carquest – auto parts, 158.39; CHS Show Choir Festival – entry, 200.00; City of Groton – utilities, 12,766.09; Cole Papers – supplies, 1,964.39; Crawford Trucks – switch, 26.84; Dakota Supply Group – bulb, 46.97; Dependable Sanitation – services, 1,254.50; Domino's Pizza – meal, 111.84; Follett School Solutions – support credit, (238.63); G&K Services – rug service, 430.06; GCR Tires – tires, 105.70; GASD Food Service – supplies, 23.30; Groton Chiropractic – physical, 95.00; Hauff Mid-America Sports – track supplies, 291.85; Hillyard – supply credit, (2,900.18); T. Hilsendeger – soccer services, 99.00; House of Glass – repairs, 298.63; IXL Learning – site license, 2,288.00; JW Pepper – music, 248.38; James Valley Telecomm. – services, 924.95; G. Kjellsen – meal reimb, 62.10; Locke Electric – services, 2,634.24; Madison Central School – state golf expense, 48.06; Matheson – supplies, 180.37; NCS Pearson – aimsweb, 675.00; Northside Implement – bus repairs, 11,045.03; Northwestern Energy – utilities, 291.81; Olde Bank Floral-n-More – hc flowers, 129.00; Polar Electro – repairs, 227.50; QQP/Midstates – hc banner, 90.00; N. Quamme – sc choreography, 1,500.00; Ramkota Hotel – lodging, 95.99; J. Schwan – fuel reimb, 55.97; SDHSAA – penalties, 100.00; Sewer Saver – services, 202.35; Taylor Music – repairs/supplies, 222.35; Tresona Multimedia – sc music licensing, 625.00; Vermillion Music Boosters – entry, 250.00; Walmart Community – supplies, 102.05; M. Weber – meal reimb, 9.34. Total General Fund - \$399,501.79.

CAPITAL OUTLAY: A&B Business – equipment, 1,785.44; Acme Tools – jigsaw, 129.00; Agency Fund – adv pmts, 109,703.12; Band Shoppe – banner frame, 149.27; Engel Music –

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clavinova, 6,400.00; Follett School Solutions – lib books, 303.53; Hauff Mid-America – uniforms, 1,982.63; Hillyard – scrubber, 6,760.80; Houghton Mifflin Harcourt – science resource, 13.75; House of Glass – handle, 30.20; MPS – chem text, 151.71; Northern State – texts, 266.82; Stan Houston Equipment – equipment, 405.50; Subscription Services of America – magazines, 313.76; Turning Technologies – exam suite, 79.00; US Games – ropes, 18.88.  
Total Capital Outlay - \$128,493.41.

SPECIAL ED: Net Salary – 26,308.61; FIT – 2,672.64; Medicare – 1,006.48; FICA – 4,303.52; SD Retirement – 4,452.98; Waddell & Reed – 250.00; AFLAC – 680.98; Delta Dental – 845.22; SD Supplemental Retirement – 200.00; Wellmark BCBS – 10,676.92; Reliastar – 206.61; Agency Fund – adv pmts, 265.13; Avera St. Luke’s – services, 3,555.03; Walmart Community – supplies, 41.60; Patron – mileage reimb., 740.88. Total Special Ed - \$56,206.60.

ENTERPRISE: Food Service Net Salary – 5,380.30; FIT – 441.16; Medicare – 191.88; FICA – 820.54; SD Retirement – 578.84; AFLAC – 54.22; Wellmark BCBS – 1,510.00; Reliastar – 1.30; Bernard Food – food, 1,460.92; CWD – food/suppl, 3,602.84; Dean Foods – dairy product, 1,072.86; Earthgrains – bakery product, 324.60; G&K Services – linen serv, 214.74; Hobart Sales – parts, 85.43; Reinhart – food/suppl, 3,619.77; SD DOE/CANS – processed commodities, 214.20; Sysco – food/suppl, 1,879.84; US Foods – food/suppl, 3,155.42. Total Food Service - \$24,608.86. OST Net Salary – 3,215.16 ; FIT – 153.57; Medicare – 110.56; FICA – 472.72; SD Retirement – 303.94; AFLAC – 135.98; Wellmark BCBS – 664.00; Reliastar -- .65; Agency Fund – adv pmts, 273.12; Menards – snacks, 46.84; S. Weber – reimb supplies, 117.90. Total OST - \$5,503.44.  
Total Enterprise Funds – \$30,112.30.

AGENCY FUND: Total - \$151,549.86.

RECEIPTS: Local Sources, Taxes – 7,784.52; Other Local Sources – 175,116.88; County Sources – 865.54; State Sources – 5,246.96. Total Receipts - \$189,013.90.

Members of the public were allowed five minutes to address the board on any topic of their choice. With no public members present to speak, the board proceeded with their remaining agenda items.

Weber presented the September Financial Report, Agency Accounts and Investments. Moved by Grant, second Weismantel to approve as presented. Motion carried.

Superintendent J. Schwan presented the September Transportation Report. Moved by Harder, second Kjelden to approve as presented. Motion carried.

Superintendent J. Schwan presented the September Lunch Report. Moved by Weismantel, second Fjelstad to approve as presented. Motion carried.

There were no committee reports given.

The board heard program presentations from Science teachers Travis Kurth, Jodi Sternhagen and Lance Hawkins and from English/Language Arts and Reading teachers Sara Honerman, Diane Kurtz and Mary Johnson.

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Superintendent J. Schwan presented internal control reports on OST and credit cards.

There were no board committee reports given.

The following topics were discussed in administrative reports: Elementary Remodel Project Update, 2017-18 School Calendar, MS/HS Project Update, School Law Seminar, 1st grade class size issues, Marching Band Festival, Science Curriculum Training, picture day, Student Health Fair, Student Council Regional Meeting, student clubs meeting during lunch, MS/HS teachers hosting NSU sophomore students and potential Build America Bond refinance of capital outlay certificates.

Superintendent J. Schwan discussed health insurance issues as a result of the Associated School Boards Protective Trust meeting on October 3rd. The ASBSD presentation required that health pool membership be assessed fees to erase the current 12.5 million health pool fund deficit, of which Groton Area School District's liability portion is \$307,000. This fee would need to be paid as a lump sum by August 1, 2017 or as installments over four years beginning October 1, 2017, with a 1.5% annual interest assessment. The school must let ASBSD know which payback option they are selecting by January 2017. No action was taken.

Moved by Harder, second Kjelden to approve request from School District Attorney, Rodney Freeman, for contribution of \$135 toward his attendance at the national Education Law Association 2016 Annual Meeting. Motion carried.

Groton United Methodist Church requested use of shower facilities and school bus transportation to and from Aberdeen during their youth gathering on November 13-15. Moved by Rix, second Weismantel to grant request with mileage assessment for bus use, and the stipulation that the shower facility be cleaned afterwards. Motion carried.

Moved by Weismantel, second Kjelden to authorize a short-term loan of \$80,000 from the General Fund to the Special Education Fund. The interest thereon shall be at the rate of 0% per annum on the unpaid balance. The entire principal amount shall be fully and immediately repayable upon receipt of sufficient revenues to satisfy the same but not later than January 1, 2017.

Moved by Rix, second Fjelstad to approve cooperative agreement with South Dakota Department of Human Services and Division of Services to the Blind and Visually Impaired (Project Skills). Motion carried.

Moved by Harder, second Kjelden to adjourn at 8:50 pm. Motion carried.

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M. J. Weber, Business Manager

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Steven R. Smith, President

The addition of signatures to this page verifies these minutes as official.

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