

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

REGULAR MEETING

September 14, 2015

President Steve Smith called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the High School Conference Room. Members present: L. Hanson, M. Harder, K. Kjelden, D. Nelson, G. Rix, S. Smith and M. Weismantel. Others present were Supt. J. Schwan, Principals A. Schwan and B. Schwan and Business Official M. Weber.

Moved by Weismantel, second Nelson to approve the agenda as proposed with the following changes: under New Business Item #15 – remove the item from consideration, under New Business Item #4a – consider request from Groton Youth Rally for waiver of facility use fee, and under New Business Item #16 – add executive session to discuss personnel issue. Motion carried.

Moved by Harder, second Rix to approve the following consent agenda items as presented: North Central Special Ed Coop School of Record agenda items, District minutes of August 10, bills, financial reports, agency accounts and investments. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: Net Salary – 45,276.81; FIT – 5,112.36; Medicare – 1,670.12; FICA – 7,141.14; Sun Life Supplemental – 74.35; Washington National – 98.40; SDRS – 6,893.44; First National Bank – 100.00; Waddell & Reed – 660.84; AFLAC – 569.13; Delta Dental – 1,069.04; SDRS Supplemental – 325.00; SDSBF Basic Life – 23.94; GASD Health Ins. Deferral – 436.50; Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield – 17,487.00; A&B Business – supplies, 498.80; ACDA – membership , 95.00; Acme Tools – supplies, 97.17; Agency Fund – advance payments, 12,133.29; AmericInn – lodging, 143.80; Kristi Anderson – supplies, 101.35; ASBSD – registrations, 555.00; Automatic Building Controls – services, 1,380.00; BrainPop – online services, 2,095.00; Brown County Treasurer – spraying, 128.00; Darci Bultema, -- judging, 60.00; Carquest – auto supplies, 100.63; CHS Show Choir Festival – entry, 200.00; City of Groton – utilities, 7,796.84; Cole Papers – supplies, 2,053.20; Communican & Baylor Briefs – resources, 229.95; Dependable Sanitation – services, 1,238.00; Engel Music Supply – supplies, 36.00; G&K Services – rug services, 390.90; GCR Tires – repairs, 203.98; GASD-Food Service – supplies, 757.16; Groton Chiropractic Clinic – physical, 95.00; Groton Daily Independent – legal notices, 126.06; Groton Dakota Press – ads, 52.50; Groton Ford – repairs, 1,363.65; Hauff Mid-America Sports – equipment, 3,057.99; Hillyard – supplies, 1,138.40; Innovations Associates – class magazines, 139.00; Interstate All Battery Center – batteries, 24.90; IXL Learning – site license, 2,800.00; JW Pepper – music, 1,429.18; Jacobson Electric – services, 221.01; James Valley Telecommunications – phone services, 912.03; Livestockjudging.com – online subscription, 100.00; Marco Inc – staples, 210.00; Mathesons Tri-Gas – tubing, 208.27; McGraw-Hill – kdgn wkbks, 961.01; McLeod's Printing – forms, 87.81; Menards – supplies, 116.70; Mid-American Research Chemical – supplies, 3,125.09; MJ's Sinclair – fuels, 445.50; Nasco – specimens, 144.00; National FFA Organization – supplies, 624.30; National Speech & Debate Assn. – membership, 139.00; NCS Pearson – online services, 1,995.00; NE Administrators – dues, 85.00; North Central Special Ed Coop – assessments, 3,000.00; Northeast Conference – dues, 250.00; Northern Safety Co. – supplies, 259.48; Northwestern Energy – natural gas, 172.13; Pearson Education – supplies, 619.75; Petty Cash – postage, 165.00;

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QQP/Midstates – supplies, 141.60; Really Good Stuff – supplies, 505.98; S&S Lumber – supplies, 538.52; S-K Publications – resources, 108.00; Julie Schaller – fee refund, 40.00; Scholastic Inc – class magazines, 3,290.62; School Spec./Classroom Direct – chairs, 146.85; SchoolMate – planners, 260.00; Anna Schwan – supplies, 21.93; Brett Schwan – supplies, 21.92; SD Counseling Assn. – memberships, 115.00; SDASBO – registration, 50.00; SDHSAA – dues/insurance, 1,453.66; SDSCA – registration, 50.00; SDSU Seed Testing Lab – resources, 127.00; Sewer Saver – repairs, 515.06; South Dakota Library Network – membership, 675.00; Sumdog Inc – online subscription, 50.00; Taylor Music – supplies, 464.62; Twin Valley Tire – repairs, 524.53; Walmart Community – supplies, 51.02; West Coast Publishing – resources, 275.00; Kelly Wieser – judging, 60.00; Deb Winburn – supplies, 69.80; Wylie Park Thunder Road – fee, 550.00.
Total General Fund – \$151,406.01.

CAPITAL OUTLAY: Aberdeen American News – subscription, 169.36; Agency Fund – adv pmts, 86,841.12; BMI Educational Services – novels, 308.06; Daktronics, Inc – fb scoreboard, 27,487.00; Don Donley – project work, 3,475.00; EMC Insurance – auto ins., 108.00; Fisher Tracks – crossover protectors, 1,886.88; Follett School Solutions – reading books, 319.00; Grants Painting – elem gym painting, 6,900.00; Hauff Mid-America Sports – equipment, 747.81; Junior Library Guild – lib. books, 1,218.00; Marco Inc – copier leases, 1,816.94; Matheson Tri-Gas – materials, 71.02; Norcostco Inc – stage lighting, 2,290.44; Patios Plus – fb sidewalk, 9,107.47; Pauer Sound & Music – mic cables/repairs, 129.93; Renaissance Artists – lighting installation, 3,225.00; School Nurse Supply – electrodes, 205.50. Total Capital Outlay Fund – \$146,306.53.

SPECIAL EDUCATION: Net Salary – 575.18; FIT – 49.78; Medicare – 21.00; FICA – 89.72; SDSBF – 86.86; SDRS – ; Agency Fund – adv pmts, 221.12; Avera St. Luke's – services, 3,250.89; North Central Special Ed Coop – assessments, 25,665.00; Teacher Created Resources – supplies, 104.36; Walmart Community – supplies, 219.03. Total Special Ed – \$30,282.94.

ENTERPRISE FUNDS: Food Service - Net Salary – 2,018.67; FIT – 138.22; Medicare – 72.54; FICA – 310.20; SDRS – 306.70; AFLAC – 54.22; SDSBF Basic Life Ins. – 1.33; Wellmark BCBS – 686.00; Agency Fund – adv pmts, 1,200.00; B. Carman – lunch refund, 6.70; CWD-Aberdeen – food/suppl, 1,631.09; Dean Foods – dairy products, 441.44; Earthgrains – bakery products, 192.92; G&K Services – linen services, 127.61; R. Lord – lunch refund, 28.25; Reinhart Foodservice – food;suppl, 2,312.56; US Foods – food/suppl, 1,941.41; D. Wiseman – lunch refund, 18.45. Total Food Service – 11,488.31. OST - Net Salary – 5,069.68; FIT – 251.31; Medicare – 171.76; FICA – 734.38; SDRS – 296.32; Agency Fund – adv pmts, 152.38; R. Lord – OST refund, 6.13; SoDakSACA – membership/conf. fees, 280.00. Total OST - \$6,961.96.
Total Enterprise Funds – \$18,450.27.

AGENCY FUND: Total – \$136,762.81.

RECEIPTS: Local Sources, Taxes – 6,631.66; Other Local Sources – 168,356.52; County Sources – 3,913.47; State Sources – 4,763.00. Total Receipts – \$183,664.65.

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.

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There were no committee reports given.

The board held discussion on naming an official depository beginning January 1, 2016. A motion in July approved Wells Fargo as official depository through December 31st. Moved by Kjelden, second Harder to approve First State Bank as the official depository beginning January 1, 2016. Motion carried 5-1 with Nelson voting no and Weismantel abstaining.

The following topics were discussed in administrative reports: scoreboard project update, joint sign project with the Groton Chamber complete, state report card and smarter balance results, School Messenger roll out, Blue Ribbon Task Force progress, NE Area Superintendent's meeting, Special Education Accountability Review, Homecoming calendar, staff book study, North East Area Principals meeting, ESL Programming Conference, OST update and fire drills and lockdowns.

Moved by Harder, second Weismantel to approve bus routes and driver salaries for 2015-16. Motion carried.

Transportation fees associated with the robotics program were discussed. Moved by Harder, second Nelson to allow robotics to use school vans or cars for in-state trips if the organization pays the cost of fuel. Motion carried.

Moved by Nelson, second Kjelden to cast ballot for SDHSAA Division I Representative to the SDHSAA Board of Directors for Brian Maher from Sioux Falls. Motion carried.

Moved by Weismantel, second Kjelden to approve request from Groton United Methodist Church to use elementary showers on November 13th–15th. Motion carried.

Moved by Nelson, second Weismantel to approve request from Groton Youth Rally to use the Arena on November 18th for a rally event with the rental fee waived. Motion carried.

Moved by Harder, second Rix to amend the teaching contract of Desiree Yeigh to include a 9-12 instrumental music stipend of \$3,325. Motion carried.

Moved by Kjelden, second Nelson to amend contract of Julie Erdmann from BS+30 to MS+30 with salary increase of \$3,750, Anne Zoellner from BS+30 to MS with salary increase of \$2,250, Susan Fjeldheim from BS+15 to BS+30 with salary increase of \$750, Meri Erickson from BS+30 to BS+45 with salary increase of \$750, Jill Helvig from BS+30 to BS+45 with salary increase of \$750, Renee Swisher from BS+30 to BS+45 with salary increase of \$750, Brian Schuring from BS to BS+15 with salary increase of \$750, Katie Miller from BS to MS with salary increase of \$3,750, Mary Johnson from BS+15 to BS+30 with salary increase of \$750 and Emily Eichler from BS+15 to MS with salary increase of \$3,000. Motion carried.

Moved by Weismantel, second Kjelden to amend auxiliary staff work assignment for Angela Carlson from 6.75 hrs/day to 7 hrs/day, Ryan Dix from 6.75 hrs/day to 7 hrs/day, Jill Krueger from 6.75 hrs/day to 7 hrs/day, Kami Lipp from 6.75 hrs/day to 7 hrs/day, Glenna Remington from 6.75 hrs/day to 7 hrs/day and Deb Tollifson from 7.25 hrs/day to 7.5 hrs/day. Motion carried.

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Moved by Harder, second Rix to hire Justin Hanson as 2015-16 Assistant Boys Basketball Coach for \$2,660. Motion carried.

Moved by Nelson, second Weismantel to hire Kelli Hanson as 2015-16 Girls and Boys Basketball Cheer Coach for \$1,496.25. Motion carried.

Moved by Rix, second Kjelden to hire Kandi Weismantel as Special Education Paraprofessional at \$10.50/hour, 7 hours/day for 175 days. Motion carried.

Moved by Nelson, second Rix to hire Jaimie Mitchell as Special Education Paraprofessional at \$10.50/hour, 7 hours/day for 175 days. Motion carried.

Moved by Weismantel, second Nelson to approve open enrollment application #16-16 for a student in Grade 7 from the Sisseton School District. Motion carried.

The board acknowledged Public School Exemption #16-03 for children in grades Kindergarten and 2. Motion carried.

The board acknowledged Public School Exemption #16-04 for children in grades 1, 2, 4 and 5. Motion carried.

Moved by Weismantel, second Kjelden to go into executive session at 8:48 pm pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) for a personnel issue. Motion carried.

President Smith declared the board out of executive session at 9:55 pm.

Moved by Weismantel, second Kjelden to adjourn. Motion carried.

M. J. Weber, Business Manager

Steven R. Smith, President

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