

ASBSD Board of Directors Meeting (Wednesday, August 3, 2016)

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The meeting was called to order by President Eric Stroeder, present were members: Anita Peterson; Todd Thoeke; Tom Farrell; Bryan Bauer; Susan Humiston; Denise Lutkemeier; Rick Olson; Steve Kubik; Neil Putnam; Alan Van Ruler; Kathy Greeneway; Deb Koenecke; Melissa Whipple; Orson Ward; Duane Alm; Pam Haukaas. Also present were: Dr. Wade Pogany, Gerry Kaufman, Tyler Pickner, Matt Flett and Katie Mitchell-Boe.

1. Call to Order - Eric Stroeder

Information: 1.1 Good News -

Duane Alm – New elementary building is ready to receive students and has been named after deceased board member Mike Miller. Student teachers from NSU will be given the opportunity to practice teach at the new school. Enrollment is up by approximately 90 students. Teacher morale is up and he received thanks for helping return respect to the profession through his work and helping with the salary increase.

Orson Ward – Lead-Deadwood has a great opportunity to decide what they should do with an elementary school in Deadwood that is 100 years old. On a personal note his daughter, Augustine, recently married a fellow service member.

Melissa Whipple – The board just completed GAVEL training and with two new members she is excited about the upcoming school year.

Deb Koenecke – Her district has completed MCL and continues to move forward with the program.

Kathy Greeneway - The Yankton School District has officially taken over the tech building and are set to open a food pantry at a local elementary school. The pantry is a pilot program with Feeding South Dakota to determine the need of such a project in the Yankton community. It'll be available to families with a child enrolled in the school district.

Alan Van Ruler – His district has become part of a sports cooperative and its first homecoming has created quite a stir.

Steve Kubik – Winner had just hired a music teacher and a fifth grade teacher to make a full staff.

Rick Olson – Howard district is fully staffed and ready for school. The district has been upgrading buildings and enrollment has seen a slight increase.

Denise Lutkemeier – The Wilmot School Board hosts a back to school night serving meals and welcoming students, parents and staff back to schools. Their district has successfully hired all the certified required but still have a few support staff positions to fill.

Pam Haukaas – Colome Consolidated “smoked” their plumbing system and discovered their high school needs to be totally re-plumbed. Their new football stadium is ready and is very nice. Back to school night will be one week prior to school opening.

Susan Humiston – Edgemont has implemented a new security system and their district too is implementing MCL.

Bryan Bauer – Things are progressing well at Douglas and the next major undertaking will be a climate survey of all their buildings.

Tom Farrell – Madison Central has hired a new superintendent, Joel Jorgensen, and his transition into the school has been very smooth. They received a CTE grant and built a brand new auto facility. They are fully staffed and teacher morale has improved.

Todd Thoele – Summer school is just completing in Sioux Falls and has gone real well with the emphasis on reading, math and playing. The district will be updating their strategic plan in the near future.

Anita Peterson – Haakon School will have a new geo thermal system as they were able to receive 3 grants from the Water Development Council. There will be clean up included in this process. Scotchman Industry located in Philip donated a vertical milling machine to the school. The cross country coach, Ralph Kroetch, was named Coach of the Year.

Eric Stroeder – Mobridge has 2 new principals, playground equipment and elementary school. The teachers were very happy with their raises and the district was able to hire janitors and bus drivers needed.

2. Approval of Minutes

Action, Minutes: 2.1 Approval of April 29, 2016 Minutes –

Moved by Todd Thoele, seconded by Bryan Bauer to approve as presented. Motion carried.

Action: 2.2 Approval of Officers

Denise Lutkemeier, Nominating Committee Chair presented the following slate of officers. Anita Peterson, President, Todd Thoele, 1st Vice President, Tom Farrell, 2nd Vice President and Eric Stroeder, Past President. Moved by Eric Stroeder, seconded by Orson Ward to accept the nominating committee report. Motion carried.

Information: 2.3 Reorganization of the Board

Dr. Wade Pogany recognized the newly appointed executive committee and reported on the successful re-election of Pam Haukaas, Duane Alm, Rick Olson, Kathy Greenway and Anita Peterson. At this time Dr. Pogany thanked Eric Stroeder for his work as President and presented him with gifts of appreciation.

Information: 2.4 – Passing of the Gavel

Eric Stroeder thanked the board for the opportunity to serve as president and presented Anita Peterson with the gavel. Anita thanked Eric for his role not only as President of the ASBSD Board but also for his work with the Blue Ribbon Commission.

3. Financial Items

Action, Information: 3.1 Financial Reports through June 2016

Matt Flett, CFO presented the financial report and at our April, 2016 board meeting, when he presented the FY 2017 budget, he projected final FY 2016 revenue of \$2.1 million and expenditures of \$1.9 million for revenue over expenditures of \$200,000. Final FY 2016 revenue was \$2,016,656.89, final expenditures of \$1,807,035.03, and after all closing entries our Unassigned Fund Balance increased by \$229,397.12. Remember, there is not a direct tie out of increased equity between our revenue and expenditures because of closing entries to capital assets and pre-paid expense, however, our increase in equity was very close to our April projection. He further noted the Association is in good financial shape and we have a strong balance sheet and a strong financial position. Moved by Duane Alm, seconded by Melissa Whipple to accept the report. Motion carried.

Information: 3.2 Protective Trust update

Matt Flett provided the board with a brief update and advised the board the Plan of Action for the Health Fund is moving forward.

Action: 3.3 Signatory Card Authorization

Moved by Todd Thoenke, seconded by Pam Haukaas to remove Eric Stroeder's name from all ASBSD checking accounts and add Anita Peterson to signatory authorization. Motion carried.

4. Reports

Information, Report: 4.1 Executive Committee Meetings Minutes – Presented to the board for their information.

Information, Report 4.2 NSBA Report – Neil Putnam reported on the National Political Conventions and the open discussion between NSBA and said parties. He reported the NSBA Board will meet in Chicago and NSBA President Miranda Beard will be joining our meeting later.

Information: 4.3 National Meetings Representatives – Upcoming national meetings include Summer Leadership in Chicago, and Western Region in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Both meetings will be attended by the Executive Director and the Executive Committee.

5. Advocacy

Information: 5.1 State Aid Pledge Program – Don Templeton, South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority, reported on the South Dakota State Aid Pledge Program. During the 2015 session, the SD Legislature adopted SB 191 authorizing an expanded State Aid Pledge Program. The purpose of the program is to reduce interest costs for qualifying South Dakota school districts by providing credit enhancement for qualified certificate borrowing. The program allows school districts to pledge Title 13 State Aid payments as additional security for qualified certificate issues. Under the Program, districts whose qualified certificates would ordinarily receive a rating in the “A” category or lower could expect a rating increase to the “AA+” level, with a corresponding decrease in interest rates. A school district that participates in the Program is referred to as a Participant.

The Program will be administered by the South Dakota Health and Educational Facilities Authority. Participants should understand that the Authority will not act as the issuer of any qualified certificates. That is, each Participant will issue its own qualified certificates just as it ordinarily would. The sole function of the Authority under the Program will be to approve applications from qualifying school districts and to monitor the state aid pledge mechanics. He further explained how the program operates and provided the board with an opportunity for questions.

Action, Information: 5.2 Policy and Resolutions Committee Report

Dr. Pogany and Eric Stroeder thanked the Policy and Resolution Committee members Tom Farrell, Todd Thoelke, Denise Lutkemeier, and Anita Peterson for their work on the Resolutions and Standing Positions. Moved by Susan Humiston, seconded by Tom Farrell to accept proposed resolutions as presented. Motion carried. See Attachment 1

Standing Positions - Moved by Pam Haukaas, seconded by Tom Farrell to accept with the minor editing changes the proposed Standing Positions. Motion carried. See Attachment 2

NSBA President Miranda Beard joined the meeting. From Mississippi, Beard currently serves as the president of the Laurel School District Board, which she has served on for 15 years, and is also Past President of the Mississippi School Boards Association. Baird shared one of her motivations for serving on her local school board. "I always wanted to give back to my community," Beard said. "What greater way to impact your community, your neighborhood than by impacting the lives of your children."

Information: 5.3 Region Meeting

Dr. Pogany shared the dates and sites for the Region Meetings 2016:

- Oct 4 Clear Lake
- Oct 5 Madison
- Oct 6 Yankton
- Oct 12 Presho
- Oct 19 Lead/Deadwood
- Oct 20 Box Elder (Douglas)
- Oct 26 Faith
- Oct 27 Aberdeen
- Nov 1 Mobridge
- Nov 2 Miller

Information: 5.4 Legislative Updates

Questions that Dr. Pogany asked the board to consider at our April meeting were again discussed.

6. Strategic Planning

Discussion: 6.1 Strategic Plan Discussion

ASBSD strive to provide quality service to school board members and member districts and ask that you share your thoughts on the Association. The survey asks 46 questions and Dr. Pogany shared the responses to the survey.

7. ASBSD Policies

Action, Discussion: 7.1 Policy BD

Moved by Todd Thoelke, seconded by Tom Farrell to approve ASBSD Policy BD – Region representation options will be presented to the Board in November along with new enrollment numbers for realignment of regions. Motion carried.

8. Director's Report

Action, Information: 8.1 ASBSD Board Meeting Dates/Convention Dates

Moved by Melissa Whipple, seconded by Deb Koenecke to accept the ASBSD Meeting Dates as presented:

Board of Directors meeting November 17-18, 2016

Delegate Assembly November 18, 2016

Board of Directors meeting February 20-21, 2017

Legislative Day February 14, 2017

Board of Directors meeting April TBD

Board of Directors meeting August 9, 2017

ASBSD/SASD convention August 10-11, 2017

Motion carried.

Information: 8.2 Joint Convention 2016 report – Convention attendance was reported.

9. Other Business

Information: 9.1 Next meeting is scheduled for November 17, Pierre, SD

10. Executive Session

Information: 10.1 If needed

11. Adjournment

Action: 11.1 Motion to Adjourn – Moved by Tom Farrell, seconded by Duane Alm the meeting was adjourned. Motion carried.