

**ASBSD Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, August 4, 2021
Denny Sanford Convention Center
Sioux Falls, SD**

- I. **Call to Order** – President Eric Stroeder called the meeting to order. Present were members: Pam Haukaas, Susan Humiston, Julie Schwader, Tanya Gray, Louann Krogman, Eric Stroeder, Lisa Snedeker, Duane Alm, Jamie Lindner, Nan Baker, Angie Ross, Shane Roth, Tom Farrell and Anita Peterson, Ellie Saxer joined the meeting following the Financial Reports. Absent were board members Garret Bischoff and Steve Kubik.
- II. **Welcome and Introductions** – Dr. Pogany introduced new board members Jamie Lindner, Waverly-South Shore and Nan Baker, Sioux Falls to the board. He also acknowledged the elections of Susan Humiston and Tom Farrell to their positions on the ASBSD Board. Rapid City had not notified ASBSD of board member appointment to the ASBSD Board.

III. Good News

Pam Haukaas – Colome is fully staffed and ready for school to begin. New policy on medical marijuana has been discussed by their board.

Susan Humiston – The class of 2021 Valedictorian of Edgemont is a very humble girl from a family of limited means and has been accepted at the School of Mines. Everyone is so proud of her.

Julie Schwader – Howard School District is fully staffed and ready for new year. The district had success working with Tom Oster for filling positions.

Tanya Gray – Hired a superintendent and have a good team moving forward. Not fully staffed and planning continues for the new high school and elementary school that will be built off campus.

Louann Krogman – White River is not fully staffed and will be opening school with things back to normal. Summer camps for basketball and football have been held.

Eric Stroeder – Mobridge-Pollock is ready to start and have been working on improvements in the school. They too are not fully staffed.

Lisa Snedeker – Everyone is ready to be back to work and it's exciting to prepare for school.

Duane Alm – School will be on-site but virtual learning will be available. They are fully staffed. A Central High School student placed first at the National Business Leaders Conference.

Jamie Lindner – Waverly-South Shore board members have been busy doing ASBSD training. Their district is not fully staffed for school.

Nan Baker – Nan thanked for the board for opportunity to be part of a team that focuses on children. Sioux Falls held ribbon cutting ceremony at new high school and middle school. They continue working on hiring staff to begin the school year. Return to learn with a mask recommendation on buses. Mother of 4 – 3 boys and one girl.

Angie Ross – Hill City is academically fully staffed, except for coaching. COVID money has been used for infrastructure and they will begin the school year as normal as they can.

Shane Roth – DeSmet hired a band teacher and they now are fully staffed. It closed at building that was built in 1960 and have built onto the high school. Things are going great in DeSmet and they too are trying to open school back to normal.

Tom Farrell – Madison Central is fully staffed as of this morning. He is thankful for help with policies as their back to school plans are changing. District still needs bus drivers.

Anita Peterson – Haakon (Phillip) is fully staffed. Auditorium has had a face lift with new paint and lights. In the process of building a bus barn.

Wade Pogany – Dr. Pogany welcomed and thanked Nan Baker and Jamie Lindner for their interest in becoming ASBSD Board members. Kudos and thank you to his staff for all the work on Convention. Wade also thanked Jessica Filler for all of her work on the medical marijuana policy and other policies relating to COVID.

IV. Approval of Minutes - Moved by Tom Farrell, second by Tanya Gray to correct the minutes of the April 16-17, 2021 minutes by changing Tom's Good News report that Madison negotiations lasted 4 ½ days not 4 and ½ hours as reported. Motion to approve with correction carried.

V. Reorganization of the Board – Dr. Pogany reminded the board that at the January meeting a motion by Susan Humiston, second by Julie Schwader to move forward with the continuation of current executive committee and approve them as the slate of officers at our annual meeting was approved. The Constitution and By-Laws require that at our annual meeting we officially approve the slate of officers. Moved by Susan Humiston and second by Pam Haukaas to approve the officers remain in their current positions. Motion carried. He again welcomed Nan Baker to fill the position of Todd Thaelke, Jamie Lindner to complete the term of Denise Lutkemeier, Susan Humiston and Tom Farrell upon their re-elections to the board

VI. Finance VI.A Financial Report – Holly Nagel reported that June 30th marks the end of the 2021 fiscal year and the financial report is based on the financial performance of ASBSD at that time. We ended the fiscal year with revenue of \$2,587,943.11 which is 123.11% or \$485,786.17 over our revenue budget. This is a revenue increase of \$336,335.22 from FY 20.

FY 21 expenditures were \$1,738,927.93 which is 85.5% or \$293,932.07, less than expenditure budget. This is a decrease in spending of \$192,036.73 from FY20.

After all year-end entries are completed, the Association increased the overall Net Position on the balance sheet by \$337,848.

The Unassigned Net Position of the Association at the end of Fiscal Year 2021 is \$2,322,164 which is 114 percent of the FY 2021 expenditure budget of \$2,032,860. The Unassigned Net Position decreased by \$764,900 from \$3,087,064 at the end of FY 2020 to \$2,322,164 at the

end of FY 2021. The difference between revenue and expenditures will not directly tie out to Unassigned Net Position.

The Net Investment in Capital Assets increased in \$826,413.79. This is due to November purchase of the 3rd Floor Condominium from TDK&E. This completes full ownership of the building at 306 E. Capitol Avenue. The purchase was completed using cash funds from the money market account which caused the reduction in Unassigned Fund Balance. There was neither an increase in long-term liability nor a reduction in mutual fund investments. The TDK&E mortgage of \$218,651 was paid in full and the long-term asset of buildings was increased by the full value of \$1,120,464.

ASBSD continues to have a strong balance sheet and financial position. The Association has increased the potential revenue with the purchase of the third floor. Tieszen Law Office has completed a five-year lease agreement with option to renew twice for the 3rd floor east side.

Moved by Tanya Gray, second by Louann Krogman to accept the financial report as presented. Motion carried.

Finance VI.B Protective Trust Update – Holly Nagel presented the Protective Trust Report. She reported the health fund continues to be strong with a total of 78 member districts and the health assessment payments paid in full.

The Workers Comp pool continues to do well with 76 member districts.

Property Liability members continue to work hard to reduce claims. Webinars and open claims meetings have been well received.

Moved by Duane Alm, second by Anita Peterson to accept the Protective Trust Update as presented. Motion carried.

- VII. Conflict of Interest Policy** – Dr. Pogany shared in accordance with ASBSD Policy BOF Board of Directors need to complete and sign a conflict of interest statement. Each Board member shall annually sign an acknowledgement of a conflict of interest policy, and update it.
- VIII. Gift Policy** – As part of the conflict of interest policy, ASBSD Board requires that directors, officers and employees decline accepting certain gifts. Officers, board members and employees must read and sign the Gift Policy statement. Copies of the two policies were provided and board members read and signed statements.
- IX. Executive Committee Minutes** – Minutes of the Executive Committee were presented for information.
- X. Policy and Resolutions Committee Report** – 1st Vice President and Chair of the Policy and Resolution Committee, Lisa Snedeker, and Dr. Pogany reviewed the recommendations of the Policy and Resolutions Committee.

RESOLUTIONS

- A. Achievement and Equity

1. State Funded Preschool
2. Compulsory School Attendance
3. South Dakota Academic Content Standards, Graduation Requirements and State Assessment Exams
4. School Employee Compensation
5. Additional State Testing Requirements
6. Content Standards and Curriculum Adoption

B. Local Governance

1. Students Receiving ~~Alternative Instruction~~ (Home School Instruction)
Following Local School District Policies and Rules
2. School Finances
3. Charter Schools or Other School Systems
4. Public Funding for Non-Public Education
5. Private School Scholarship Program – Resolution
ASBSD opposes state law allowing tax credits from the insurance company premium and annuity tax to fund a private school scholarship program and permits contributions made by the insurance companies to remain anonymous. Moved by Tom Farrell, second by Pam Haukaas to amend resolution to read as: ASBSD opposes state law allowing tax credits from the insurance company premium and annuity tax or any other private entity to fund a private school scholarship program and permits contributions ~~made by the insurance companies~~ to remain anonymous. Motion carried.
6. School District Identification Symbols and Events
7. Decision-Making Authority Regarding Transgender Legislation
8. Legal and Financial Protection for Compliance with State Law
9. Behavioral and Mental Health Resources – Resolution
ASBSD supports additional State and Federal resources for schools to support the behavioral and mental health of students in K-12 public schools. Moved by Nan Baker, second by Tom Farrell to amend resolution to read as: ASBSD supports additional State and Federal resources for schools to support the behavioral and mental health of students and personnel in K-12 public schools. They also asked that and personnel be added to the Rationale. Motion carried.
10. Safe Schools Resources
11. School Board Training Policy
12. School Board and School Bond Elections
13. Governance During the COVID-19 Pandemic
14. School Admission Immunization Exemption
15. State Operated Website for Notices or Meeting Information Posting

C. School Finance

1. Consistent Sparsity Funding
2. School Funding – Two Year Enrollment Averaging
3. Capital Outlay Adjustments
4. General Obligation Bond Election
5. Property Tax Exemption for Alternative Instruction – Moved by Tom Farrell, second by Anita Peterson to strike Alternative Instruction in both the title and

resolution and add Home School Instruction so the Resolution would read as follows: ASBSD opposes legislation exempting parents or guardians who provide ~~alternative instruction~~ home school instruction from property taxes. Motion carried.

6. Maintaining the State Aid Inflation Factor
7. Accountability Waivers
8. Protecting School District Valuations
- ~~9. Additional Funding During COVID-19 Pandemic~~
- ~~10. State Aid Inflation Factor of Three Percent or Greater~~
- ~~11. Fall Enrollment Calculation Greater of 2019 or 2020~~
12. Funding For Participation of Homeschool Students in Public School District Interscholastic Activities

D. Taxation

1. Commitment to the Half Penny Sales Tax Ratio
2. School Funding – Partridge Amendment
3. Amendment A Tax Revenue for Public Schools

E. Personnel

1. Human Resource Management

F. Unfunded Mandates

1. State Education Mandates
2. Federal Mandates

G. Federal Relations

1. Medicaid Service Reimbursement
2. School Nutrition
3. E-Rate
4. Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)
- ~~5. Repurposing Federal Funding for School Choice Expansion~~

Moved by Anita Peterson, second by Jamie Lindner to accept the proposed Resolutions as presented and amended. Motion carried.

STANDING POSITIONS

- Diversity and Equity
- Health & Wellness
- Investment in Education
- Local Governance
- Native American Indian Education – Moved by Tom Farrell, second by Julie Schwader to strike the second paragraph of the Standing Position. Motion carried. Moved by Pam Haukaas, second by Susan Humiston to amend last paragraph by adding ASBSD believes. Motion carried. Standing Position on Native American Indian Education now reads:

A range of statistical indicators reveal persistent and dramatic achievement gaps between Native American Indian students and their peers, depriving a significant portion of South Dakota's children of an equal opportunity to claim a more prosperous personal, social and economic future.

ASBSD believes South Dakotans must continue to work toward solutions by embracing the pride, heritage and dignity of Native American Indian culture, fostering-collaboration and establishing long-term commitments, including consideration of the implementation of the Oceti Sakowin Essential Understanding or other curriculum and coursework in South Dakota American Indian history and culture, to improving public educational outcomes for Native American students.

- Open Government and Transparency
- Public School Choice
- Safe and Secure Schools
- School Finance
- School Reorganization
- Student Achievement
- Technology in Education

Moved by Jamie Lindner, second by Pam Haukaas to accept the Standing Positions as amended. Motion carried.

- XI. Region Meetings – Dates and Sites** - Dr. Pogany shared ASBSD will create a hybrid of region meeting to engage Boards in numerous topics. Every Wednesday night from September 29 to November 10 he will host a webinar or face to face meeting discussing advocacy topics with board members. Face to face sites will include:

Timber Lake – October 6
Aberdeen – October 13
Mitchell – October 20
DeSmet – October 27
Rapid City – November 3

- XII. Legislative Updates –** Dr. Pogany included upcoming Legislative Issues with the Policy and Resolutions discussion.

- XIII. Telemental Health in Schools** - Dr. Pogany is asking the board to help in getting the word out about the new telehealth program. This partnership between the Dept. of Social Services and Dept. of Education will provide schools with additional support in helping students and their families access available mental health services as well as an understanding of when/how to refer students for mental health services. Dr. Pogany advised the board for additional information to reach out to either Becky Cain or Teresa Rowland with the DOE's Office of Student Wellness and Supports.

- XIV. Board Engagement Project Update** – Tom Farrell and Dr. Pogany updated the board on the ASBSD Board Engagement project with the first meeting targeted for December 2021.
- XV. All Awards Update** – Dr. Pogany shared the ALL Awards totals and reported in spite of COVID the points accumulated by districts was at an all-time high.
- XVI. Convention Update** – Dr. Pogany reported we had approximately 485 registrants for convention, great speakers and was happy to be back to normal.

President Stroeder declared the meeting adjourned.