I. Passing of the Gavel – President Stroeder asked the board for their attention so he could officially pass the Gavel to Lisa Snedeker. He thanked the board and commented he was passing the Gavel into capable hands.

II. Call to Order – President Lisa Snedeker called the meeting to order at 12:04 pm. Present were board members, Louann Krogman, Eric Stroeder, Duane Alm, Garret Bischoff, Pam Haukaas, Jamie Lindner, Shane Roth, Julie Schwader, Anita Peterson, Ellie Saxer, Angie Ross, Marc Murren and Rob Honomichl. Susan Humiston joined the meeting via teleconference. Absent were board members: Tanya Gray and Steve Kubik.

III. Welcome and Pledge – President Snedeker welcomed the board members and asked that the board please stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Approval of Minutes – Moved by Garret Bischoff, second by Ellie Saxer to approve the minutes of the August 3, 2022 as presented. Motion carried.

V. Good News:

Louann Krogman – White River School District received a $1.5 million donation with no strings attached. Only stipulation was they could not ask for additional monies so however they spend it is up to them.

Pam Haukaas – Colome is in a reorganization process as Wood is pulling out of their district. The board has been honoring students and teachers at their board meetings. The board is implementing “Grow your own teachers”. They also have sad news with the loss of a sophomore student due to MD.

Garret Bischoff – Huron School District has created an Education Foundation and the $1,000 they earned for being Outstanding School Board was their first donation. Girl’s volleyball team is competing at State. Construction continues at their district with request for bids for the air conditioning units have been let.

Duane Alm – Aberdeen school district has seen a growth in student population. Aberdeen has two students that have participated in All-State Orchestra all four years of high school.

Eric Stroeder – Mobridge-Pollock School District received an invitation to meet with the Standing Rock Tribal Council, discussions about education was shared and they were presented with a tribal flag and a teepee.

Rob Honomichl – Ag students created furniture for assisted living people. The National Honor Society students raked leaves for elderly in their community

Marc Murren – Promise Future has been helping, organizing and sponsoring classrooms so every kid can take a book home. Special emphasis is being given to Title schools.
Ellie Saxer – Building projects are on track, Secretary of Education, Tiffany Sanderson, read to the students. Seventy (70) middle school students presented their school musical.

Anita Peterson – Philip Scotties won the state Cross Country meet. A shout-out to her alma mater, Wall, for their football performance.

Shane Roth – DeSmet FFA land judging team has qualified for nationals that will be held in Oklahoma. Elementary project and track facilities are complete.

Jamie Lindner – The district is fully staffed and this year they have hired permanent substitutes, they will be hosting Natural History competitions.

Angie Ross – Hill City is fully staffed, football team ended up second at the State Competition and their building project to fence in the whole school property is underway.

Julie Schwader – Howard had two (2) students compete in the Voice of Democracy, several football students were on the football All-Conference Team.

VI.C. – ASBSD Audit – Scott Currier, from Palmer, Currier & Hoffert, LLP presented the Audit/990 report. He thanked the Association for their business and complimented Holly and Deanne for their prompt response to requests. Moved by Angie Ross, second by Jamie Lindner to accept the audit and 990 report. Motion carried. Meeting proceeded with Holly Nagel presenting the financial report.

VI. Finance
VI.A. – Financial Report through October 31, 2022 – Holly Nagel, CFO, reported October 31st marks the end of the first four months of the fiscal year. As of October 31st, we have received $913,720, or 42.25%, of our revenue budget and expended $679,858 or 31.71% of our expenditure budget.

At the same time last year, the Association had total revenue of $995,628.11 or 46.68% of our revenue budget while expenditures were $620,349.52 or 29.44% of our expenditure budget.

The Gains/Losses on Investments is the primary reason for the difference in revenue received from FY23 to FY 22.

The revenue report, expenditure report and balance sheet have been updated with adjustments to accrued revenue, expenses and capital asset depreciation as year-to-date through October 31st.

ASBSD continues to have a strong balance sheet and financial position which allows for adjustments should a revenue source be significantly decreased. Moved by Ellie Saxer, second by Garret Bischoff to accept the financial report. Motion carried.

VI.B. Protective Trust Update – Holly Nagel reported the Protective Trust Pools are doing well and they are in the process of renewal meetings.

VII. Regional Enrollment Adjustments – Dr. Pogany reminded the board it was time to consider options for adjusted regional representation based on changes in enrollments of school districts per the By-Laws. Discussion followed. Moved by Pam Haukaas,
second by Garret Bischoff to accept Option 2, the three year average, as proposed. Motion carried.

VIII. Board elections

Dr. Pogany advised the board what positions on the ASBSD board will be up for election in 2023. Positions open are: Central Region 700-1,399; Northeast Region 265 & under; Southeast Region 266-699 and Western Region 700-1,399. Angie Ross announced that after serving as a board member for nine years she has chosen not to seek re-election.

IX. Policy Updates – GCBC Fringe Benefits

Moved by Jamie Lindner, second by Angie Ross to accept the proposed change to Association Programs with the deletion of the sentence In addition, the Association will pay up to twenty percent of two party and family health coverage above the single rate not to exceed one half of the total rate for two party and family coverage. Motion carried. Updated policy attached #1.

X. Jobs for America’s Graduates presentation – Presentation was moved down on agenda.

XI. Advocacy

XI.A Legislative Updates – Potential Legislation – 2023 Session
1. State aid to schools
2. Voucher bill
3. Tax Repeal bills – food sales tax repeal, and property tax repeal
4. Juvenile Justice bills
   a. Compulsory attendance to 16
   b. Optional education path for students at risk
   c. Habitual offender amendment to statute
   d. Changes to community response teams
   e. Scholarship funding to incentivize people to enter the mental health field
   f. Reporting requirements of law enforcement to schools
5. Property valuation adjustments
6. And other crazy stuff that comes our way…

XI.B. Delegate Assembly

XI.B1. Delegate Assembly Platform Amendments – Sioux Falls proposed changes to ASBSD Legislative Resolutions – B12. School Board and School Bond Elections – Moved by Angie Ross, second by Julie Schwader to not accept the proposed amendment as presented. Motion carried.

B13. Governance When Dealing With During the Covid 19 Pandemic – Moved by Jamie Lindner, second by Ellie Saxer to not adopt the proposed deletion as presented. Motion carried with Bischoff and Murren voting no.

B15. State Operated Website for Notice or Meeting Information Program – Moved by Ellie Saxer, second by Rob Honomichl to not adopt proposed amendment as presented. Motion carried.

Jobs for America’s Graduates presentation - Laura Schiebe and her staff presented on the benefits of the JAG program. Discussion began with Laura asking the board how many of their schools were aware of the program and the positive outcomes. JAG measures positive outcomes with the multi-year (follow up of participants). Graduation rates and improvement in attendance are two major accomplishments using their program. The presentation concluded with DOE staff inviting interested schools to please contact them.
XI.B1. Delegate Assembly Platforms continued – C6. Maintaining the State Aid Inflation Factor – Moved by Jamie Lindner, second by Anita Peterson to not adopt proposed amendment as presented. Motion carried.
C11. Funding for School Resource Officers Safety Programs – Moved by Pam Haukaas, second by Garret Bischoff to adopt resolution as presented. Motion carried.
C12. Funding for Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs – Moved Ellie Saxer, second by Angie Ross to not adopt as presented. Motion carried with Marc Murren voting nay
XI.B2. Priorities – Moved by Garret Bischoff, second by Ellie Saxer to approve the following priorities for the upcoming session:

C6: Increasing State Aid
B4: Public Funding for Non-Public Education
D3: Tax Reduction or Repeal
B9: Behavioral and Mental Health Resources

Motion carried.

XII. Book Study – Know What You Are FOR – Louann Krogman led the board in discussing the first four chapters of the book.

XIII. Board Engagement Webinars – Dr. Pogany shared plans that are set for the next Board Engagement sessions. Times and dates are as follows:
December 4 – 6 to 7:30 pm CST; Central Region: Co-Chairs – Eric Stroeder/Louann Krogman; 7 to 8:30 pm MT; Western Region: Co-Chairs – Tanya Gray/Susan Humiston
December 11 – 6 to 7:30 pm CST; Northeast Region: Co-Chairs: Garret Bischoff/Shane Roth; 8-9:30 pm Southeast Region: Co-Chairs: Ellie Saxer/Lisa Snedeker. Dr.Pogany provided the board with questions that will be used to guide the discussion that revolves around the theme of how to improve community support for public education.

XIV. NSBA Update – Eric Stroeder reported NSBA President Frank Henderson and Executive Director, John Heim, have been working very hard on the real focus of NSBA. The whole Advocacy team has been released and work has been outsourced to a nonprofit organization.

XV. Executive Report – Dr. Pogany asked for a brief recess so staff could pick up and leave the meeting.

XVI. Executive Session – Moved by Louann Krogman, second by Garret Bischoff to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters.

XVII. Adjournment – Lisa Snedeker declared the meeting adjourned.