SHANNON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2013

MINUTES

The Shannon County School Board held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, February 25, 2013 at Batesland, SD. President Eagle Bull called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Members present: Andrea Eagle Bull, President
Tom Conroy
Chuck Conroy
Todd O’Bryan
Mike Carlow

Others present: Dr. Richard L. Zephier, Ph.D, MBA, Superintendent
Coy Sasse, Business Manager
Sharei Ricketts, Director of School Improvement
Eileen Grinnell, Title I Director
Melvin Sierra, Virtual High School Principal
Cindy Keegan, Director of Special Education
Connie Kaltenbach, Batesland Principal
Ardis Iron Cloud, Wolf Creek Pre-K-4 Principal
Theresa Mendoza, Wolf Creek 5-8 Principal
Darrell Eagle Bull, Alternative School Principal
Barbara Ice, Red Shirt Principal
Monica Whirlwind Horse, Rockyford 5-8 Principal
Justina One Horn, Rockyford Pre-K-4 Principal
Ann Red Owl, Human Resources Facilitator
Patti Nelson, Administrative Secretary
Jodi Weisz, SCEA Representative
Marilyn Erickson, Wolf Creek Instructional Coach
Dana Christensen, Technology Director
Dennis Brewer, Transportation Supervisor
Charles Abourezk, School District Attorney
Lucy Vocu, Wolf Creek Teacher
Jim Curran, Teach for America
Techla Two Bears, Parent
Miles Dillon, Batesland Student
Lyle Dillon, Batesland Student
Jennifer Her Many Horses, Parent
All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.

2229. Approval of Agenda
Motion by C. Conroy seconded by T. Conroy to approve the agenda, as presented, adding items requested by board members. Motion carried. (Attachment A)

2230. Approval of Minutes
Motion by Carlow, seconded by C. Conroy to approve minutes of the 1/31/13 regular meeting with a correction to Item #2090 as follows: Motion by O’Bryan, seconded by Carlow to approve Lisa Wifp as Rockyford 8th grade teacher (not Literacy Coach). Motion carried. Also, to approve minutes of the 2/11/13 mid-month meeting. Motion carried.

2231. Reports
Board members acknowledged receipt of reports from administrators and building principals and discussion was held regarding questions and comments.

2232. INFR Report
Myles and Lyle Dillon, Batesland School students, were in attendance to thank the School Board for their monetary donation and support of their participation in the Indian National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas in November, 2012.

2233. Teach for America
Jim Curran of Teach for America was present to explain and offer services available from the program. The board requested the superintendent to meet with principals to determine whether Shannon County Schools can benefit from this program. Superintendent Zephier will report to the board at the mid-month meeting on this matter.

2234. March School Board Meetings
The next school board meeting will be held on Monday, March 11th and the regular monthly meeting will be held on March 25, 2013. Both meetings will be held at Wolf Creek School, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

2235. AIMS WEB
Administration shared information in regard to AIMSWEB with board members; they will bring it to the board for action at the March meeting. Administrators are looking favorably at implementing AIMSWEB for the 2013-14 school year.

2236. Eighth Grade Transitioning
Board member C. Conroy voiced his concern in regard to the need for transitioning 8th grade students into high school. He suggested administration invite high school counselors to individual Shannon County Schools to provide information to students and parents in regard to the various high school facilities on the reservation and what they have to offer students. The board would like to offer transportation to
parents to the school when this activity is scheduled, in an effort to aide in more effectively transitioning 8th grade students from elementary to high school.

2237. **Bullying**
Board members expressed concern over reported bullying situations that exist in schools. The board and administration are actively pursuing remedies to help alleviate this problem.

2238. **Executive Session**
Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by Carlow to go into executive session at 7:01 p.m. to discuss personnel. Motion carried. President Eagle Bull declared executive session ended at 8:05 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.

2239. **Personnel**
Motion by Carlow, seconded by C. Conroy to approve personnel recommendations, as listed. Motion carried. (Attachment B)

2240. **Financials**
Motion by Carlow, seconded by O'Bryan to approve all disbursements, as well as the financial report delivered by the business manager. Motion carried. (Attachment C)

2241. **Citi-Bank Addendum**
Motion by Carlow, seconded by C. Conroy to authorize the Business Manager to proceed with additional scheduled payments to Citi-Bank for construction costs. Motion carried. (Attachment D)

2242. **Wells Fargo Pay Card**
Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by C. Conroy to authorize Business Manager, Coy Sasse, to contact Wells Fargo to pursue making this option available to staff. Motion carried.

2243. **Open Enrollment Applications**
Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Carlow to approve applications for open enrollment for three students to the Virtual High School. Motion carried. (Attach E)

2244. **Bus Purchase**
Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Carlow to authorize proceeding with a bus purchase for the 2013-14 school year; further, to allocate the $22,000 grant toward payment; also requesting a camera be installed in the bus prior to purchase. Motion carried.

2245. **RtI Contract**
Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by T. Conroy to enter into a contract with Sonja Shannon, who will provide services related to the district’s RtI program at Wolf Creek, Rockyford and Batesland Schools. Motion carried. (Attachment F)
2246. **Response Teams**  
Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by Carlow to authorize establishing an emergency response team at each school site; also, authorizing training for designated staff members. Motion carried.

2247. **Adjournment**  
Motion by T. Conroy, seconded by O'Bryan to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m.  
Motion carried.

Signed ________________________________
Coy Sasse
Business Manager

Approved by the school board on March 25, 2013.

Signed ________________________________
Andrea Eagle Bull, President