SHANNON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 2011

MINUTES

The Shannon County School Board held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, January 24, 2011 at Batesland, SD. President Eagle Bull called the meeting to order at 5:08 p.m.

Members present: Andrea Eagle Bull, President
Chuck Conroy
Todd O'Bryan
Bryan Brewer

Member absent: Tom Conroy

Others present: Dr. Richard L. Zephier, Ph.D, MBA, Superintendent
Coy Sasse, Business Manager
Maurice Twiss, Special Services Director
Vickie Grant, Dir of Special Ed/School Improvement
Melvin Sierra, Virtual High School Principal
Terry Albers, Human Resource Director
Larry Larson, Wolf Creek Pre-K-4 Principal
Steve Selchert, Wolf Creek 5-8 Principal
Darrell Eagle Bull, WC Alternative School Principal
Barb Ice, Red Shirt Principal
Bob Hall, Rockyford PreK-4 Principal
Monica Whirlwind Horse, Rockyford 5-8 Principal
Patti Nelson, Administrative Secretary
Beverly Bertram, SCEA President
Dana Christensen, Technology Director
Dennis Brewer, Transportation & Custodial Supervisor
Arlene Jones
Natalie Hand, Wolf Creek PTAC
Leah White Bear Claws, Wolf Creek PAC Board
Babe Poor Bear
Arlie Broken Nose, Wolf Creek PAC Board
Winona Ross, Batesland PAC Board
Tammy Steele, Rockyford PAC Board

All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.

0194. Approval of Agenda
Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by Brewer to approve the agenda, as presented.
Motion carried. (Attachment A)
0195. Approval of Minutes
Motion by Brewer, seconded by C. Conroy to approve minutes of the 12/20/10 regular meeting and the 12/30/10 special meeting; 1/13/11 special meeting and the 1/20/11 special meeting. Motion carried.

0196. Reports
Board members acknowledged receipt of reports from administrators and building principals.

0197. Joint PTAC
Ms. Natalie Hand was in attendance to represent the Joint Parent Council Committees. A letter of concern was presented to board members and the Superintendent. The board requested Dr. Zephier to meet with the Joint PAC Board and to keep the board apprised of the outcome. (Attachment B)

0198. OST Liberation Day
Babe Poor Bear was in attendance to request support by the school board of an Ordinance passed by the Oglala Sioux Tribe in support of the Oglala Sioux Tribal Liberation Day Protest Walk. Ms. Poor Bear requested 7th & 8th grade students’ participation and will begin at Wounded Knee on Feb 27, 2011.

0199. February Board Meeting
The February regular board meeting will be held on Monday, February 28, 2011 at Wolf Creek School beginning at 5:00 p.m.

0200. Response to Intervention Project
Motion by Brewer, seconded by C. Conroy to support administration in declining the Shannon County School District being designated as the state’s pilot project in the Response to Intervention Program. Motion carried.

0201. Hiring Recommendation
Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by Brewer to approve administration’s recommendation to meet and hold discussion prior to making recommendation to fill vacated positions. Administration anticipates that this practice will be in effect until mid-year 2011-12 school term. Motion carried.

0202. Personnel Recommendations
Motion by O’Bryan, seconded by Brewer to approve personnel recommendations, as listed, with the exception of three requests for positions, as listed on file. All others approved on the condition that they meet with administration’s approval. Motion carried. (Attachment C)

0203. Financial Report & Disbursements
Motion by O’Bryan, seconded by Brewer to approve the financial report and disbursements, as listed. Motion carried. (Attachment D)

0204. Restructuring
Motion by Brewer, seconded by C. Conroy to restructure all Parent Advisory Boards and reorganize, requesting Mr. Twiss, Federal Programs Director, and Superintendent Zephier to work with parents in this endeavor.
Brewer rescinded the motion. C. Conroy rescinded the second to the motion.
Superintendent Zephier will report back to the board in two weeks following a joint meeting of the PAC Boards. A special board meeting may be scheduled at that time.

0205. Purchase Order Process
Motion by Brewer, seconded by O’Bryan to approve the district’s Purchase Order Process as presented by the Business Manager. The board acknowledged the fact that administration met previously and discussed the process. The board also acknowledged an implementation date of the purchase order process of Monday, January 31, 2011. Motion carried. (Attachment E)

0206. Lakota Curriculum
Motion by O’Bryan, seconded by C. Conroy to approve and accept the Lakota Curriculum which will be implemented throughout the Shannon County School District as soon as possible, during the 2010-11 school year. Motion carried.

0207. School Improvement Plans
Motion by O’Bryan, seconded by C. Conroy to table the School Improvement Plans for the 2010-11 school year until the February meeting. Motion carried.

0208. Annual School Board Election
Motion by Brewer, seconded by C. Conroy to table establishment of school board election date until a later date. Motion carried.

0209. Public Complaint Policy
The Public Complaint Policy was acknowledged by the board. Motion by O’Bryan, seconded by Brewer to accept and approve the policy. (Attachment F)

0210. Homeless Policy
The Elimination of Barriers for the Homeless Policy was acknowledged by the board. Motion by O’Bryan, seconded by Brewer to accept and approve the policy. (Attach G)

0211. Open Enrollment
Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by O’Bryan to approve applications for open enrollment to the Virtual High School, as listed on file. Motion carried. (Attach H)

0212. Travel Request
Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by Brewer to review staff travel requests as submitted, and to consider administrative recommendations in regard to travel on a case-by-case basis. Motion carried.

0213. Shannon County School Board Election
Motion by Brewer, seconded by C. Conroy to set the date for the annual school board election on the 2nd Tuesday in May, which will be May 10, 2011. Motion carried.

0214. Organizational Chart
Motion by O’Bryan, seconded by C. Conroy to table the organizational chart presented by administration, pending further review. The board requested administration to prepare an outline from the Human Resource department indicating all paid employees, including part-time, substitutes and individuals on special service agreements. Motion carried.

0215. Adjournment
Motion by O’Bryan, seconded by C. Conroy to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m. Motion carried.

Signed ________________________________
Coy Sasse
Business Manager

Approved by the school board on February 28, 2011.

Signed ________________________________
Andrea Eagle Bull, President