

OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD  
ANNUAL MEETING  
TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2015

MINUTES

The Oglala Lakota County School Board held their annual meeting on Tuesday, July 14, 2015 at Batesland, South Dakota. President Andrea Eagle Bull called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

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

Others present: Dr. Anthony Fairbanks, Superintendent  
Coy Sasse, Business Manager  
Shawn Callanan, Director of Assessment  
Ann Red Owl, Human Resources Coordinator  
Dana Christensen, Technology Director  
Barb White, Rockyford Lower Principal  
Monica Whirlwind Horse, Rockyford Upper Principal  
Patti Nelson, Administrative Secretary  
Evaleen Brave Heart, Red Shirt Principal/Special Education  
Connie Kaltenbach, Batesland Principal  
Carol Reitz, Food Service Director  
Kirk Dickerson, Native Sun News  
Connie Smith, Lakota Country Times  
Cindy Keegan, Director of Special Education  
Melvin Sierra, Virtual High School Principal  
Richard L. Zephier, School Board Member-Elect  
Yvonne DeCory, BEAR Program  
Connie Smith, Lakota Country Times  
Kirk Dickerson, Native Sun News

President Eagle Bull announced that the annual meeting also serves as the annual budget hearing, at which time the floor is available to any interested party who wishes to address the school board and/or administration in regard to the budget. There were no questions or comments in this regard.

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

0016. Approval of Agenda  
Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by Carlow to approve the agenda, adding one action item: "Executive Session" and to adjust the state mileage rate from .37 per mile, as stated on the agenda, to .42 per mile. Motion carried unanimously. (Attachment A)
0017. Approval of Minutes  
Motion by Carlow, seconded by O'Bryan to approve minutes of the June 23, 2015 regular meeting; the June 30, 2015 special meeting; and the July 9, 2015 special meeting. Motion carried unanimously.
0018. Lakota Country Times  
Connie Smith was in attendance on behalf of the Lakota Country Times Newspaper and provided information in regard to services the paper provides to the area, in addition to the school district as their official newspaper.
0019. Executive Session  
Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Carlow to go into executive session at 5:45 p.m. to discuss personnel. President Eagle Bull declared executive session ended at 6:18 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.
0020. Native Sun News  
Native Sun Newspaper was represented by Mr. Kirk Dickerson, who made a presentation to the board in regard to services they provide the public and rates they offer the school district.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

0021. Personnel  
Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by Carlow to approve personnel recommendations, as listed. Motion carried unanimously. (Attachment B)
0022. BEAR Program  
Yvonne DeCory reported to the board on activities the Be Excited About Reading Program continues to provide to children of the Pine Ridge Reservation.  
Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Carlow to contribute \$15,000 toward operating expenses for the summer 2015 BEAR program for now, requesting Ms. DeCory meet with the Superintendent and Business Manager as follow-up. Motion carried, four voted yes, Eagle Bull not voting. (Attachment C)
0023. June Financials  
Motion by Carlow, seconded by O'Bryan to approve June disbursements, as listed. Motion carried. (Attachment D)

0024. Special Service Agreement  
Motion by Carlow, seconded by C. Conroy to approve a special service agreement with Judy Dorsey to provide speech services one day per week for 32 weeks during the 2015-16 school year. Motion carried unanimously. (Attachment E)

## **NEW BUSINESS**

0025. Oath of Office  
The Oath of Office was recited by Angie Eagle Bull and Richard Zephier, who were elected to serve as school board members at the June 9, 2015 Oglala Lakota County School Board election. Ms. Eagle Bull and Mr. Zephier will serve three-year terms beginning July 14, 2015, until the annual meeting in July, 2018.

0026. Election of Officers  
Motion by T. Conroy, seconded by Carlow to move that Andrea Eagle Bull remain as President of the Oglala Lakota County School Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Carlow, seconded by Zephier to move that Tom Conroy remain as Vice-President of the Oglala Lakota County School Board. Motion carried, four voted yes, T. Conroy not voting.

0027. Consent Agenda Items  
Motion by Carlow, seconded by Zephier to approve consent agenda items, with the exception of "Designation of school district attorney" which is tabled.
- a) Designation of official legal newspaper: Lakota Country Times;
  - b) Renew employee fidelity and blanket bonds as follows: Business Manager: \$500,000; designated employees: Maurice Twiss, Marilyn Halverson, Jacolyn Roth, Carol Reitz, Dawn Schultz, and Nancy Shedeed, all at \$50,000 each.
  - c) Authorize petty cash accounts: \$750.00 each at Administrative Office, Wolf Creek, Batesland, Rockyford, and Red Shirt Schools;
  - d) Authorize Trust & Agency Funds/Appoint Custodian of Trust & Agency Funds/appoint Business Manager as custodian;
  - e) Designation of Purchasing Agent: Superintendent or designee;
  - f) Investment Resolution/Authorization of Business Manager;
  - g) Authorize Travel for School Business: Superintendent (local travel) School Board (Out-of-State Travel);
  - h) Authorize Use of School Vehicles: Superintendent to Authorize Use;
  - i) Designate Representative for State and Federal Programs: Superintendent to act as representative signing documents; Maurice Twiss District Representative for Federal Programs;
  - j) Authorize Superintendent/Designee to Close School;

- k) Establishment of Mileage and Meal Reimbursement at the state rate of .42 per mile; meals at \$5.00, \$9.00, \$12.00 (\$26.00 per day) for in-state; meals at \$8.00, \$11.00 and \$17.00 (\$36.00 per day) for out-of-state.
- l) Assignment of Credit Cards: Business Manager to assign credit cards to school board members and administrators;
- m) Authorize to let bids (propane, fuel, garbage & milk);
- n) Establish food service price for adult meals: \$4.00 for an individual meal, \$3.50 with meal ticket;
- o) Establishment of School Board per diem: \$75.00 per meeting/assignment;
- p) Set Administrative Fee for Section 8003 Tuition Funds at 20%;
- q) Designation of Official Depositories: Wells Fargo Bank;
- r) Authorize Workmen's Compensation Insurance coverage for all employees;
- s) Authorize Imprest Account in the amount of \$15,000
- t) Certification of Title I Program

Motion carried unanimously.

0028. Set Meeting Date & Time  
 Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by Carlow to hold regular school board meetings on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m., rotating meeting sites monthly. Motion carried unanimously.
0029. Handbooks  
 Motion by Zephier, seconded by C. Conroy to approve the Virtual High School Student Handbook, tabling approval of remaining handbooks until they have been reviewed and revised, if needed. Motion carried unanimously. (Attachment F)
0030. Indian Policies & Procedures  
 Motion by Carlow, seconded by C. Conroy to approve the school district's Indian Policies & Procedures for Impact Aid. Motion carried unanimously.
0031. Board Member Representatives  
 Motion by Carlow, seconded by T. Conroy to appoint board members to represent on the following board committees:  
 a) Finance/Budget/Audit Committee: Eagle Bull and Zephier  
 b) Policy Committee: C. Conroy and Carlow  
 c) Construction Committee: T. Conroy and Carlow  
 d) Negotiations Committee: Eagle Bull and Zephier  
 Motion carried unanimously.
0032. Adjournment  
 Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by Zephier to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. Next meeting will be July 28, 2015 at Batesland, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Coy Sasse, Business Manager

Approved by the board on the 28th day of July, 2015.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Andrea Eagle Bull, President