

SHANNON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2010

MINUTES

The Shannon County School Board held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, October 25, 2010 at Batesland, SD. President Eagle Bull called the meeting to order at 5:12 p.m.

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

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
Larry Larson, Wolf Creek Pre-K-4 Principal
Steve Selchert, Wolf Creek 5-8 Principal
Connie Kaltenbach, Batesland Principal
Barb Ice, Red Shirt Principal
Monica Whirlwind Horse, Rockyford 5-8 Principal
Connie Kaltenbach, Batesland 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
Charles Abourezk, School District Attorney
Natalie Hand, Wolf Creek PTAC
Charles Abourezk
Virgil Bush
Patty Conroy
Miracle Spotted Bear
Duran Thunder Hawk
Joshua Little, Jr.
Trenton Ghost Dog
Kenneth Dean
Jayden Giago
Mariso Hernandez
Naca Charging Crow

Dana Brave Eagle, OST Education Director
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All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.

0120. Approval of Agenda
Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by C. Conroy to approve the agenda, as presented.
Motion carried. (Attachment A)
0121. Approval of Minutes
Motion by Brewer, seconded by O'Bryan to approve minutes of the 9/30/10 regular meeting and the 10/19/10 special meeting. Motion carried.
0122. Reports
Board members acknowledged receipt of reports from administrators and building principals and had questions and comments for discussion.
0123. Human Resource Office
The board requested the Human Resource Office to present on the district's hiring process and provide feedback to questions in an effort to provide orientation for new board members.
0124. Wolf Creek PTAC
Ms. Natalie Hand was in attendance to represent the Wolf Creek Parent Council. She inquired about the Lakota Language and Culture curriculum. Principals provided information in regard to the status of the program at their respective school. The board authorized Charles Abourezk to assist the schools' Parent-Teacher Advisory Councils in becoming recognized as non-profit corporations. The tutoring program was also discussed, and appreciation was expressed to administration and school board for scheduling a joint PTAC meeting. The memorial painting at the Wolf Creek School gymnasium was also discussed.
0125. Sweetgrass Project
Virgil Bush addressed the board and administrators in regard to members of the Arapahoe Nation coming to the Pine Ridge Reservation on Oct 28, 2010 in an effort to provide support for suicide prevention.
- Dana Brave Eagle, on behalf of the OST Education Office, was in attendance and expressed her desire in working cooperatively with the state departments and area schools.
0126. November Board Meeting
The November regular board meeting will be held at Wolf Creek School on Monday, 11/29/10 beginning at 5:00 p.m.

0127. LNI Conference
Board members noted the dates for the Lakota Nations Conference on Dec. 15-18, 2010 in Rapid City, SD.
0128. Language Summit
The board authorized principals to work with administration in determining participation from their schools.
0129. Executive Session
Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by C. Conroy to go into executive session at 7:09 p.m. to discuss personnel. Motion carried. President Eagle Bull declared executive session ended at 7:42 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.
0130. Personnel
Motion by Brewer, seconded by C. Conroy to approve personnel recommendations, as listed, with the exception of the student teaching request. Motion carried. (Attachment B)
0131. Out of State Travel Requests
Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by O'Bryan to approve travel for administrative staff to the National Indian Impacted Schools Conference in December, 2010. Motion carried.
0132. Revisions to VHS Handbook
Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Brewer to approve revisions to the Virtual High School Student Handbook, as presented. Motion carried.
0133. Virtual High School Enrollment
Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by Brewer to approve enrollment for students, as listed on file. Motion carried. (Attachment C)
0134. Applications for Public School Exemption
Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by O'Bryan to approve applications for public school exemption, as listed. On file. Motion carried. (Attachment D)
0135. Applications for Open Enrollment
Motion by Brewer, seconded by O'Bryan to approve applications for open enrollment to the Virtual High School, as listed on file. Motion carried. (Attach E)
0136. Financials
Motion by T. Conroy, seconded by O'Bryan to approve the financial report and disbursements, as listed. Motion carried. (Attachment F)
0137. Bonds

Motion by C. Conroy, seconded by Brewer to authorize the Business Manager to provide bonds in lieu of retirement for eligible employees. Motion carried, four voted yes, Eagle Bull not voting.

0138. SES Contracts

Motion by T. Conroy, seconded by Brewer to approve Supplemental Educational Services contracts, pending review and approval of the school district attorney. Motion carried.

0139. Adjournment

Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by C. Conroy to adjourn at 9:06 p.m.

Signed _____
Coy Sasse
Business Manager

Approved by the school board on November 29, 2010.

Signed _____
Andrea Eagle Bull, President