

# School Board Meeting Recap

## School Board Members:

Teresa Binkley – President  
Debra DeBates – Vice President  
Keli Books  
Wesley Tschetter  
Teri Johnson



## Superintendent:

Dr. Summer Schultz

## Director of Business Services:

Stacey VanBeek

August 12, 2024

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## Electronic School Board

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## Watch the School Board Meeting

● Click [HERE](#) to watch a recording of the School Board Meeting from August 12th.

## **COMMUNICATION ITEMS:**

### Comments from the Board

- **Performance Oversight Committee** – Deb mentioned that they met in May to review bills that had been paid. Since then, they have been waiting for Stacey to start. Teresa added that Stacey had requested a review of documents up to June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- **Facilities and Construction Committee** – Keli Books provided an update from Pierce with Hausmann Construction on the progress of Hillcrest and Medary. Both schools are focusing on site work, with paving expected to be completed by the end of the week. Hillcrest School is finishing its punch list and final tasks, while Medary's new square footage is nearly complete, with the renovation expected to be finished in two weeks. Despite community concerns about potential flooding at Hillcrest, the recent heavy rain showed no issues at either school, and the team is confident in their water management preparations.
- **Policy and Governance Committee** – Deb DeBates provided an update on the review of several district policies after a brief hiatus. Some policies related to activities are currently under review by Mr. Dvorak, with further discussion scheduled for tomorrow. Additionally, the first reading of fourteen policies, including new policies DJ, DJC, DK, DLC, and DN, is also on the agenda. Stacey has reviewed these policies and offered suggestions, but the board members are encouraged to provide any further feedback. These new policies originate from the ASBSD.
- **School Finance Committee** – Nothing to report.
- **Reports from Ad. Hoc Committees** – Nothing to report.
- **General Board Member Communications** – Wes Tschetter toured the bus garage and CTE building, noting that it had been years since his last visit. He also attended a session on data usage at the ASBSD Convention, which emphasized aligning data with district goals. Keli Books mentioned that the Brookings Childcare Collaborative has met twice since the last board meeting, and she has

shared the minutes with board members. Deb DeBates attended the ASBSD Convention as well, highlighting the importance of monitoring upcoming legislation that could significantly impact education. She stressed the need for all board members to stay informed and to engage with legislators early. Teresa Binkley thanked everyone who participated in Bobcat Night at Downtown at Sundown and expressed gratitude to the Lion's Club and Optimist Club for their donation of vision spot cameras and printers. She also mentioned that the Board has been considering the future of Fifth Street Gym, given the new gymnasiums at the new schools and the ongoing maintenance issues with the old facility, and is exploring potential new uses for it. Deb DeBates announced that the VFW Breakfast Fundraiser on Sunday, August 18th, will support the Brookings School District Foundation. All proceeds will benefit the Bobcat Innovation Grant Program, which is funding the district's first Innovation Grants for teachers, made possible by the foundation's successful shed raffle fundraiser.

### **Hyperlinked Administrative Reports:**

[Superintendent Report](#)

[Director of Facilities](#)

### **Other Communication/Discussion Items**

- Notification of review of Policy JFC-R "Learner Conduct – Learner Activities"
- Notification of review of Policy JHFA "Learner Travel"
- 1st Reading of revisions made to Policy CCB-R "Organizational Chart"
- 1st Reading of revisions made to Policy DJ "Purchasing Procedures"
- 1st Reading of revisions made to Policy DJC "Bidding Requirements"
- 1st Reading of revisions made to Policy DK "Payment Procedures"
- 1st Reading of revisions made to Policy DLC "Expense Reimbursement"
- 1st Reading of revisions made to Policy DN "Surplus Property"
- 1st Reading of revisions made to Policy EFD "Meal Charge"
- 1st Reading of revisions made to Policy GCB "Qualifications of Teachers"
- 1st Reading of revisions made to Policy IIA "Instructional Materials"
- 1st Reading of revisions made to Policy IIAC "Library Materials Selection and Adoption"
- 1st Reading of revisions made to Policy IIBFA "Use of Artificial Intelligence Technology"
- 1st Reading of revisions made to Policy IIBG "Use of Computers and Networks"
- 1st Reading of revisions made to Policy JFC "Learner Conduct"
- 1st Reading of revisions made to Policy JFGA "Law Enforcement and Department of Social Services Learner Interview Policy"

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

#### **Consent Agenda**

- Approved the July 15th Minutes
- Approved the Financial Report
- Approved the Bills
- Approved the Personnel Report – click [HERE](#) for listing
- Approved the Open Enrollments

#### **Other Action Items:**

- Approved the Donated Items
- Approved the 2024-2025 Budget and Levies
- Approved the 2024-2025 Annual Salary Listing
- Approved the 2024-2025 Board Sub-Committees
- Approved the Medicaid Administration Agreement between the Brookings School District and Southeast Area Cooperative
- Approved the 2024-2025 Memorandum of Understanding for School Resource Officer Services

- Approved scheduling a September Workshop Meeting

## **ADJOURNMENT**