

# SCHOOL BOARD MEETING RECAP

## School Board Members:

Melissa Heermann - President  
Keli Books - Vice-President  
Van Fishback  
Wesley Tschetter  
Debra DeBates



## Superintendent:

Dr. Klint Willert

## Director of Business Services:

Brian Lueders

August 9, 2021

## 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 9<sup>th</sup>.

## COMMUNICATION ITEMS:

### Comments from the Audience

*Dr. Natalie Thiex* from SDSU expressed her concerns with returning to school face-to-face without mask requirements and without a vaccine available for students 12 and under. *Roger DeGroot* thanked the board and gave his farewell.

### Presentation and Progress Update from Architecture Incorporated

Steve Jastram & Brian Field from Architecture Incorporated gave a progress update on the Medary and Hillcrest projects. They are off to a great start on the feasibility study and building assessment; they've had meetings and received feedback from principals, staff members, and the City Development Director. They, along with their mechanical and electrical engineers, have toured and examined both elementaries, looking at exterior walls, roofing, windows, etc. Soon, the engineers will have a report of recommended improvements as well as a full architectural report.

### Comments from the Board

- **Performance Oversight Committee** – Deb will be going in this week to go over bills before our audit next week.
- **Facilities and Construction Committee** – None.
- **Policy and Governance Committee** – Met August 3rd to review policies JEAA, JEB, JEC, JECA, JECAA, JECAC, and JECB.
- **Human Rights Ad Hoc Committee** – None.
- **Negotiations Ad Hoc Committee** – None.

- **School Finance Ad Hoc Committee** – Wes and Van met August 4th and August 9th to try and understand everything in the board packet this evening.
- **Intergovernmental Relations Ad Hoc Committee** – None.
- **Mental Health Coalition** – No July meeting; next meeting will be this Wednesday, August 11th.
- **General Board Member Communications** – *Deb* - I really enjoyed being a part of the team that attended the reimagining education conference last week. It was really enjoyable. *Van* - Bobcat Backer Golf Outing - many administrators participated. The roster was pretty well filled and it was a lot of fun. *Deb* - Deb, Mellissa, and Wes attended the ASBSD/SASD Joint Convention last week. Tiffany Sanderson shared information regarding medical cannabis. Many small group sessions that were very informative. *Mellissa* - Thank you to our parents and community members for their engagement. Change in committees set for approval tonight.

### **Administrative Reports by Superintendent, Dr. Klint Willert**

● **Superintendent** – *BATA/BSD Shared Transportation Facility Update*: Banner is working with our consultants from TSP on the Environmental Assessments. There is a Local Economic Impact Study being conducted, we need an updated appraisal of the property that the district holds, and some finalization of the MOU/Lease proposals. The South Dakota Department of Transportation has indicated the Discretionary Grant application will be released at any time, and there will be approximately six weeks to complete it. *Watering Agreement*: We have entered into a watering agreement with Brookings Municipal Utilities (BMU) for the new sod on the field at the high school. The agreement provides the district with up to 1 million gallons of water per week for up to three weeks. The district is excited about the field improvements for the safety of all that use the field and the space. *COVID Watch*: Dr. Willert is closely monitoring the ongoing progression of the Delta variant. At this time, we remain committed to start school at Phase I to Phase II. *National Night Out*: Dr. Willert, Dr. von Fischer, and Mr. Foster all participated in the dunk tank fundraiser at National Night Out last week.

### **Monthly Financial Overview from Director of Business Services, Brian Lueders**

Brian Lueders & Laura Gerjets gave an overview of the 2021-22 budget and discussed the proposed ESSER II and III expenses.

### **Other Communications/Discussion Items**

- **2nd Reading of Revisions Being Made to Policy JEAA “Student Alternative Instruction – Home School”**
- **2nd Reading of Revisions Being Made to Policy JEB “Entrance Age”**
- **2nd Reading of Revisions Being Made to Policy JEC “School Admissions”**
- **2nd Reading of Revisions Being Made to Policy JECA “Admission of Resident Students”**
- **2nd Reading of Revisions Being Made to Policy JECAA “Admission of New Residents and Students”** - ASBSD recommend that we delete our current policy language and adopt their sample policy. They also recommend that we change the policy title to, “Learners Enrolling from Alternative Instruction and Unaccredited Schools.”
- **2nd Reading of New Policy JECAC “Transfer from an Accredited School”** - ASBSD has recommended that we adopt their sample policy on transferring from an accredited school.
- **2nd Reading of Revisions Being Made to Policy JECB “Admission of Nonresident Students”** - ASBSD is recommending that we rename this policy “Open Enrollment,” delete current policy language, and add suggested new language.
- **Notification of Review of Policy GCBE “Vacation/Holidays for Employees”** - Policy is under immediate review because board members would like to add Juneteenth to the list of holidays.
- **Notification of Review of Policy GBEC “Drug Free Workplace”** - Contains new language related to school employees and medical cannabis and a definition of illegal drugs.
- **Notification of Review of Policy JFCH “Alcohol and Other Drug Use by Students”** - Expands language related to drugs in school.

- **Notification of Review of Policy JHCD “Administering Medicines to Students”** - Clarifies that a separate policy governs administration of medical cannabis; contains updated language regarding prescription medication labels. ASBSD is also recommending that we adopt their consent form (JHCD-E(1)).
- **Notification of Review of New Policy JHCDE “Administration of Medical Cannabis to Qualifying Learners”** - We are adopting ASBSD’s sample policy on medical cannabis as well as their medical cannabis administration plan (JHCDE-E(1)).
- **Notification of Review of Policy JECBA “Foreign Exchange Students”**
- **Notification of Review of Policy JECC “Student Assignment and Attendance Areas”**

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

### **Consent Agenda**

- Approved Minutes of Previous Meeting
- Approved Financial Report
- Approved Bills
- Approved Personnel Report – click [HERE](#) for listing
- Approved the Open Enrollments

### **Other Action Items:**

- Approval of the 2021-2022 Custodial Agreement
- Approval of the 2021-2022 Annual Salary Listing
- Approval of the 2021-2022 Board Sub-Committee
- Approval of the 2021-2022 Budget and Levies
- Approval of Deubrook School District to pick up/drop off students in Aurora (corner of Pine & Oak)
- Approval of Revisions Made to Policy JEAA “Student Alternative Instruction - Home School”
- Approval of Revisions Made to Policy JEB “Entrance Age”
- Approval of Revisions Made to Policy JEC “School Admissions”
- Approval of Revisions Made to Policy JECA “Admission of Resident Students”
- Approval of Revisions Made to Policy JECAA “Admission of New Residents and Students from Unaccredited Schools”
- Approval of New Policy JECAC “Transfer from an Accredited School”
- Approval of Revisions Made to Policy JECB “Admission of Nonresident Students”
- Remove from table the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Proposed Budget and Expenditure Plan
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- Remove from table the 2021-2022 Classified Handbook
- Approval of the 2021-2022 Classified Handbook

## **ADJOURNMENT**