

**BISON SCHOOL DISTRICT 52-1
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

DATE: January 15, 2025 **TIME HELD:** 7:00 p.m. **KIND OF MEETING:** Regular **WHERE HELD:** Board Room
MEMBERS PRESENT: Keller, Lemer, Stadler, Veal **MEMBERS ABSENT:** Besler **OFFICERS AND OTHERS PRESENT:**
Superintendent Dr. George Shipley Jr, Business Manager Angela Thompson, Kalin Chapman, Arlis Seim, Joyce Waddell

CHAIRMAN STADLER CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER WITH A CALL FOR THE SALUTE TO THE FLAG.

CONSENT AGENDA

83. Motion by Veal second by Lemer to approve the consent agenda, the minutes of the December 9th regular meeting and financial reports. A copy of the December 2024 financial reports as approved is attached under Attachment "A" and made a part of these minutes. **Motion carried.**

PUBLIC FORUM

None

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

84. Motion by Veal second by Lemer to approve the claims listed below. **Motion carried.**

AAKER, CONNIE MILEAGE 60.30, ACOSTA, CODY MILEAGE TO PARENTS 3,229.49, AGUILERA, FRANK MILEAGE TO PARENTS 233.78, ARCHIBALD, MARLA MILEAGE TO PARENTS 474.40, BISON GRAIN CO. FUEL/REPAIRS 1,426.27, BISON IMPLEMENT REPAIRS 1,155.82, BSN SPORTS SUPPLIES 34.00, CNA SURETY FIDELITY BOND 100.00, DACOTAH BANK - BISON SAFE DEPOSIT BOX 30.00, DACOTAH BANK CREDIT CARD SUPPLIES & TRAVEL 2,589.82, ENGLE, KATHLEEN MENTOR 5,956.70, FAIT LLC PUBLISHING 573.38, GRAND ELECTRIC ELECTRICITY 3,071.00, IMPREST ACCOUNT IMPREST REIMBURSE 1,325.08, KELLER, ALBERT BOARD MILEAGE 139.44, KELLER, BRIDGET MILEAGE TO PARENTS 481.24, KOPREN, HEIDI MILEAGE TO PARENTS 311.71, LEMER, MYRON BOARD & PARENT MILEAGE, 484.41, LYNN JACKSON SHULTZ & LEBRUN LEGAL SERVICES 722.50, OLSON PROPANE PROPANE 3,631.86, RUNNINGS SUPPLIES 208.47, RYEN, CHRISTI MEALS 829.35, SCHECHER, BROOKE MILEAGE TO PARENTS 614.72, SCHOOL LUNCH FUND FACS FOOD SUPPLIES 27.98, SERVALL UNIFORMS & LINEN SUPPLY SUPPLIES 136.46, SIBAG, NESTLE MEALS 66.00, STAPLES SUPPLIES 554.97, STREAMLINE PLUMBING CARE/UPKP BLDG-LABOR 619.04, TOWN OF BISON UTILITIES 313.04, TRINITY ELECTRICAL WORKS REPAIRS 1,052.73, VANDERPOOL, BRIDGET MILEAGE TO PARENTS 632.54, VEAL, CHRIS BOARD MILEAGE 175.37, WEST RIVER COOP TEL TELEPHONE 461.47

Total General Fund: 31,723.34

ACOSTA, CODY MILEAGE TO PARENTS 569.91, ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS COPIER LEASE 724.17, AGUILERA, FRANK MILEAGE TO PARENTS 41.26, ARCHIBALD, MARLA MILEAGE TO PARENTS 83.72, DACOTAH BANK LOAN PAYMENT 103,326.97, KELLER, BRIDGET MILEAGE TO PARENTS 84.92, KOPREN, HEIDI MILEAGE TO PARENTS 55.01, LEMER, MYRON MILEAGE TO PARENTS 78.39, RYEN, CHRISTI MILEAGE TO PARENTS 123.77, SCHECHER, BROOKE MILEAGE TO PARENTS 108.48, VANDERPOOL, BRIDGET MILEAGE TO PARENTS 111.62

Total Capital Outlay Fund: 105,308.22

BRIXEY, JULIA MILEAGE & MEAL REIMBURSE 82.34, HANDS ON HEALTH PT/OT 1,121.10, NORTHWEST AREA SCHOOLS SPED SERVICES 25,097.00

Total Special Education Fund: 26,300.44

CHILD & ADULT NUTRITION SERVIC FOOD PURCHASES-LUNCH 376.18, DACOTAH BANK CREDIT CARD SUPPLIES 58.25, LEMMON IGA FOOD PURCHASES-LUNCH 28.60, SYSCO FOOD SERVICES OF ND SUPPLIES 2,007.29, UTTER, VIRGINIA FOOD PURCHASES 11.55

Total School Lunch Fund: 2,481.87

DIRK, BRENT OFFICIAL 160.00, ERICKSON, RON GBB OFFICIAL 160.00, GOLDSMITH, CHRIS OFFICIAL 199.23, HENWOOD, JEREMY OFFICIAL 316.21, LILHORNS ELEM BBB ENTRY FEE 100.00, OLIVER, DEREK OFFICIAL 160.00, OLSON, ALAN OFFICIAL 160.00, PETTY CASH POSTAGE 69.64

Total Imprest Fund: 1,325.08

BESLER, WILL REFUND WREATH 45.00, BISON FOOD MARKET SUPPLIES 103.67, COCA COLA BOTTLING CO CONCESSION SUPPLIES 75.00, DACOTAH BANK - BISON BANK CHARGE 10.60, DACOTAH BANK CREDIT CARD MUSIC BOOSTERS TICKETS 403.40, HACKERS TREE FARM WREATH SHIPPING 489.85, HUDL SUBSCRIPTION 1,550.00, JOSTEN'S CAPS & GOWNS 1,439.75, LAZY SPURR STUCO GIFT CARD 25.00, MINITEX FFA FRUIT 12,454.34, MOBRIDGE CANDY COMPANY CONCESSION SUPPLIES 114.51, NORTHERN BOTTLING CO. CONCESSION SUPPLIES

227.95, RYEN, CHRISTI DIAMOND S MEAT 544.50, SD FFA ASSOCIATION STATE LDE'S 254.24, SEIDEL, KAHLEA SUPPLIES 380.00, TNT STEAKS & BURGERS LLC STUCO GIFT CARD 25.00

Total Custodial: 18,142.81

Elem-\$34,093.68; Junior High-\$13,196.48; High School-\$22,532.61; Title I-\$3,596.75; Guidance-\$4,849.64; Library-\$2,837.84; Tech-\$3,333.33, Board \$1,700.00, Superintendent-\$8,600.00; Secretarial-\$3,305.95; Fiscal-\$3,750.00; Custodial-\$6,273.93; Bus Route-\$3,600.00; Co-curricular-\$4,945.20; Sped-\$6,544.37; Sped Admin-\$883.07; School Lunch-\$5,071.25

Total Payroll for December - \$129,114.10

CONFLICT DISCLOSURE

None

BUILDING UPDATE

Tessiers coming to bring additional controller units.

Shiloh Lorus updated wi-fi network switches over Christmas break.

Shop - working on proposals for a storage system.

SURPLUS PROPERTY

Thompson presented a listing of items for surplus.

85. Motion by Lemer second by Keller to approve the list as presented. **Motion carried.**

Resolution #2025-6

IN AS MUCH AS, the following items listed below is deemed no longer necessary or suitable for school use and will be disposed of.

Desk
Berko Heater
Furniture Clamps
Precooled Containers
Colanders
Pots & Pans
Miscellaneous kitchen utensils

BID OPENING - SHOP EQUIPMENT

Bids were opened for the Shop Equipment as advertised.

Caleb Waddington: Planer \$825, Table Saw \$725
Henry Mohagen: Lathe \$155
Don McKinstry: Lathe \$502, Table Saw \$502, Planer \$100
Collin Palmer: Planer \$857, Jointer \$673, Lathe \$325, Table Saw \$676
Greg Fried: Table Saw \$175, Lathe \$75
Josh Beckman: Table Saw \$300, Lathe \$200
Chuck Anderson: Lathe \$350
Jamie Gerbracht: Lathe \$257
Terry Hafner: Planer \$500
Brad Burkhalter: Lathe \$21, Table Saw \$51, Planer \$21, Jointer \$21

86. Motion by Keller second by Veal to accept the bids from Collin Palmer for \$857 Planer and \$673 Jointer, Don McKinstry \$502 Lathe, and Caleb Waddington \$725 Table Saw. **Motion carried.**

LEAVE REQUEST

Thompson read a leave request from John Shea requesting time off for knee surgery.

87. Motion by Veal second by Lemer to enter into executive session per SDCL 1-25-2 (1) personnel. **Motion carried.** Chairman Stadler declared the meeting into executive session at 7:14 pm and back in regular session at 7:20 pm.

88. Motion by Keller second by Lemer to approve John Shea leave request. **Motion carried.**

APPROVE CONTRACTS

89. Motion by Veal second by Lemer to approve the contract of Kristen Seidel as junior high boys basketball coach in the amount of \$1,142.67 for the 2024-2025 school year. **Motion carried.**

90. Motion by Lemer second by Veal to approve the teaching contract of Shiloh Lorius as 1/8th CTE Computer instructor for the second semester in the amount of \$2,882.68 for the 2024-2025 school year. **Motion carried.**

91. Motion by Keller second by Lemer to amend the Network Administrator contract of Shiloh Lorius and decrease it \$1,827.04, total contract now \$38,172.96 for the 2024-2025 school year. **Motion carried.**

SUPERINTENDENT CONTRACT

92. Motion by Veal second by Lemer to enter into executive session per SDCL 1-25-2 (1) personnel. **Motion carried.** Chairman Stadler declared the meeting into executive session at 7:23 pm and back in regular session at 7:31 pm.

Contract tabled to next month.

SCHOOL VOUCHER PROPOSAL RESOLUTION

Thompson presented a proposed resolution from ASBSD.

93. Motion by Veal and second by Keller to approve the resolution in opposition of an Education Savings Account (ESA). **Motion carried.**

Resolution #2025-6

WHEREAS South Dakota public schools are a cornerstone of the state and the pride of their communities, welcoming all children, educating and feeding them, connecting them with friends and mentors and helping shape their future while preparing them to be the next generation of our state's workforce;

WHEREAS the proposed Education Savings Account (ESA) - for the 2025 legislative session - is simply a different title for a school voucher program;

WHEREAS research indicates school voucher programs consistently fail to improve academic outcomes;

WHEREAS the proposed program will be implemented by using millions in public taxpayer dollars to fund non-public schools that may pick and choose who they admit while also charging tuition and raising millions of dollars in scholarship funds or to fund homeschool programs with no transparency or accountability measures to prove success similar to those required of public schools;

WHEREAS the state budget, which provides the funding increase for public education, faces constraints due to stagnant revenue collections and as a result, the proposed increase in state aid for public schools is less than the level of inflation;

WHEREAS with lower than expected revenue collections creating a lean state budget the introduction of a new, ongoing funding system for a school voucher program will eventually lead to an unbalanced state budget or a decrease in funding for public education;

WHEREAS the school voucher program will not stop at the initial amount, as the intention to grow school voucher funding has already been stated even before it has been adopted;

WHEREAS the school voucher program's planned and inevitable growth will be damaging to the future of our public school system, students and communities;

WHEREAS we, as School Board members, insist our legislators oppose the proposed school voucher program because of the foreseeable detrimental impact it will have on South Dakota's public school system at the expense of our students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, we, the Bison School Board, oppose the proposed school voucher program for the 2025 legislative session.

BOARD RETREAT DATE

Due to scheduling changes the board retreat was not held on January 8th, 2025.

94. Motion by Keller second by Lemer to set the board retreat on January 29th at 5:30 pm. **Motion carried.**

FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING DATE

Due to a basketball schedule conflict, request to change the date of the regular February meeting.

95. Motion by Keller second by Veal to set the next board meeting on February 12th at 7:00 pm. **Motion carried.**

SET SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION DATE & TIME

Thompson reported that there are two three-year terms open this year, positions currently held by Will Besler and Albert Keller.

96. Motion by Veal second by Lemer to set the annual school election on April 8th, 2025 to be held in conjunction with the city election; polls to be open from 7:00am to 7:00pm; polling places to be in Prairie City and Bison; election workers to be designated at a later meeting. **Motion carried.**

CUSTODIAL ACCOUNT - COMPETITIVE CHOIR

Mrs. Vanderpool will be fundraising for a competitive choir and requested to have a separate custodial account for this.

97. Motion by Keller second by Lemmer to approve the custodial account for the competitive choir. **Motion carried.**

NWAS REPORT

Veal gave a short report. Dr. Shipley and Veal will attend a meeting January 22nd to discuss the future of NWAS.

BUSINESS MANAGER REPORT

None

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

December attendance 96%
2nd Quarter Honor Roll - 65 students on A and 5 students on B
Homeland security grant open and request submitted.
Window opens 1/27/2025 for the DOE free K-5 social studies curriculum.
Elementary is evaluating the DOE literacy grant.
SEPA grant \$6000 this year.
Continuing research and fundraising for competitive choir
SB 70 Sparsity Bill

EXECUTIVE SESSION

98. Motion by Veal second by Keller to enter into executive session per SDCL 1-25-2 (1) personnel (2) student, (3) legal, and (6) safety. **Motion carried.** Chairman Stadler declared the meeting into executive session at 8:08 pm and back in regular session at 8:58 pm.

99. Motion by Keller second by Veal to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 pm. **Motion carried.**

Mike Stadler, Chairman

Angela Thompson, Business Manager

Attachment A	GENERAL	CAPITAL OUTLAY	SPECIAL ED	IMPACT AID	LUNCH	IMPREST	CUSTODIAL
Cash on Hand 12-01-2024	\$12,023.20	\$4,551.67	\$2,013.65	\$0.00	(\$4,650.83)	\$5,101.59	\$75,145.12
Invested In Securities	\$479,950.00	\$661,507.42	\$349,651.95	\$306,509.44	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Receipts:							
Local Sources:							
Taxes	\$56,287.09	\$46,167.71	\$10,033.85				
Interest	\$2,728.36	\$2,132.49	\$1,071.20				
Food Service					\$7,624.25		
Other	\$1,344.41					\$398.41	\$22,697.09
Intermediate Sources:							
County Apportionment	\$384.57						
State Sources:							
Unrestricted grants-in-aid	\$46,651.00						
Federal Sources:							
Grants-in-Aid	\$419.86	\$2,274.00	\$689.87	\$17,595.00	\$2,418.32		
Other Sources:							
Other		\$50.00					
Total Receipts	\$107,815.29	\$50,624.20	\$11,794.92	\$17,595.00	\$10,042.57	\$398.41	\$22,697.09
Total Disbursements	\$161,243.77	\$724.17	\$10,102.09	\$0.00	\$9,158.17	\$1,325.08	\$18,142.81
Cash on Hand 12-31-2024	\$12,552.44	\$6,151.50	\$2,601.43	\$0.00	(\$3,766.43)	\$4,174.92	\$79,699.40
Invested In Securities	\$425,992.28	\$709,807.62	\$350,757.00	\$324,104.44	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Oscar Smith Scholarship Fund							
Cash on Hand 12-01-2024	\$128.52						
Invested in Securities	\$332,040.35						
Interest Income	\$882.92						
Cash on Hand 12-31-2024	\$128.52						
Invested in Securities	\$332,923.27						