

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

**DATE:** June 8, 2026 **TIME HELD:** 7:00 p.m. **KIND OF MEETING:** Regular **WHERE HELD:** Board Room **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Lemer, Sandgren, Stadler, Veal **MEMBERS ABSENT:** Ryen **OFFICERS AND OTHERS PRESENT:** Superintendent Dr. George Shipley Jr, Business Manager Angela Thompson, Heidi Kopren, Lyle Reiff, Ross Collins, Kortney Seidel, Julia Brixey

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

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**167.** Motion by Veal second by Sandgren to approve the consent agenda, the minutes of the May 11<sup>th</sup> regular meeting, and the financial reports. A copy of the May 2026 financial reports as approved is attached under Attachment "A" and made a part of these minutes. **Motion carried.**

**PUBLIC FORUM**

Ross Collins reported that there are repairs needed in the Crow's Nest on the football field and the possibility of a Lane Kopren memorial. Discussion followed. The cost of repairs is unknown at this time but the board agreed to have Ross look into cost and possible fundraising options.

Collins also gave an update on the summer weight room program.

**CONFLICT DISCLOSURE**

None

**APPROVAL OF CLAIMS**

**168.** Motion by Sandgren second by Veal to approve the claims listed below. **Motion carried.**

ACOSTA, CODY MILEAGE TO PARENTS 3,612.84, ACT EDUCATION CORP TESTING FEE 507.50, AGUILERA, FRANK MILEAGE TO PARENTS 249.90, ARCHIBALD, MARLA MILEAGE TO PARENTS 514.08, BISON GRAIN CO. FUEL 3,661.15, BISON IMPLEMENT REPAIRS 117.81, BURKHALTER, BRAD STATE TRACK MEALS 154.00, CHURCHILL, MANOLIS, FREEMAN, KLUFT & BURNS LLP LEGAL 393.98, CROW, BOB MAINTENANCE 550.00, DACOTAH BANK CREDIT CARD SUPPLIES/FUEL/HOTEL 4,981.94, ENGLE, KATHLEEN MENTOR 5,706.70, FAIT LLC ADVERTISING/PUBLISHING 238.74, GRAND ELECTRIC ELECTRICITY/REPAIRS 3,466.64, HILLYARD INC SUPPLIES 1,878.72, HOLIDAY INN-SIOUX FALLS STATE TRACK HOTEL 1,680.00, IMPREST ACCOUNT REIMBURSE 1,684.36, K & R AUTO BODY REPAIR 677.05, KELLER, BRIDGET MILEAGE TO PARENTS 528.36, LAMONT, WHITNEY STATE TRACK MEALS 134.00, LANDPHERE, ABBY GOLF MILEAGE 190.40, LEMER, MYRON MILEAGE TO PARENTS 868.70, LEMMON IGA SUPPLIES 55.27, RYEN, CHRISTI MILEAGE TO PARENTS 771.12, SCHECHER, BROOKE MILEAGE TO PARENTS 599.76, SCHOOL LUNCH FUND SUPPLIES 365.19, SDHSAA SUPPLIES 263.00, SERVALL UNIFORMS & LINEN SUPPLY SUPPLIES 89.82, SHIPLEY, GEORGE MEALS 54.00, THOMAS BRAUN BERNARD & BURKE LLP LEGAL 420.00, TOWN OF BISON WATER/SEWER/GARBAGE 319.06, TRACE WELDING SUPPLIES 85.00, VANDERPOOL, BRIDGET MILEAGE TO PARENTS 675.92, WADDELL, JOYCE REIMBURSE FOR SUPPLIES 890.72, WEST RIVER COOP TEL TELEPHONE 472.83

**Total General Fund: \$36,858.56**

ACOSTA, CODY MILEAGE TO PARENTS 637.56, ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS COPIER LEASE 759.95, AGUILERA, FRANK MILEAGE TO PARENTS 44.10, ARCHIBALD, MARLA MILEAGE TO PARENTS 90.72, KELLER, BRIDGET MILEAGE TO PARENTS 93.24, LEMER, MYRON MILEAGE TO PARENTS 153.30, PERKINS COUNTY FAIR BOARD BENTLEY BLDG LEASE 2,500.00, PERMA BOUND LIBRARY BOOKS 1,000.00, RYEN, CHRISTI MILEAGE TO PARENTS 136.08, SCHECHER, BROOKE MILEAGE TO PARENTS 105.84, VANDERPOOL, BRIDGET MILEAGE TO PARENTS 119.28

**Total Capital Outlay Fund: \$5,640.07**

DREISKE THERAPY LLC OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY 473.00, HANDS ON HEALTH PHYSICAL THERAPY 148.95, NORTHWEST AREA SCHOOLS SPEECH SERVICES 13,949.00

**Total Special Education Fund: \$14,570.95**

IMPREST ACCOUNT REIMBURSE 96.68, LEMMON IGA FOOD 44.16, SYSCO FOOD SERVICES OF ND FOOD 971.79, UTTER, VIRGINIA FOOD 34.47

**Total School Lunch Fund: \$1,147.10**

ACOSTA, BODEN COMPUTER CHARGER RETURNED 20.00, BISON FOOD MARKET SUPPLIES 16.10, BOWMAN HIGH SCHOOL TRACK ENTRY FEE 300.00, GETTYSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT TRACK ENTRY FEE 200.00, HARDING COUNTY SCHOOL LMC TRACK FEE 135.84, HILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT REGION GOLF FEE 288.00, LEMMON GOLF COURSE

GOLF ENTRY FEE 190.00, LEMMON IGA FOOD 31.07, LEMMON SCHOOL FOOD 65.61, PETTY CASH POSTAGE 67.50, SD DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL INVE FINGERPRINTS 50.00, STURGIS HIGH SCHOOL TRACK ENTRY FEE 200.00, TIMBER LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT TRACK ENTRY FEE 100.00, UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE POSTAGE 116.92

**Total Imprest Fund: \$1,781.04**

ADAMS COUNTY MUSEUM FIELD TRIP 48.00, BEST WESTERN RAMKOTA -SIOUX FALLS STATE FCCLA HOTEL 1,380.00, COMFORT SUITES BROOKINGS LITTLE I HOTEL 336.00, DACOTAH BANK CREDIT CARD MEALS/SUPPLIES 2,334.17, DISTRICT 8 FFA REGISTRATION FEE 95.00, DISTRICT V FFA REGISTRATION FEE 299.00, GRAND RIVER GIFTS STUCO SHIRTS 75.00, GREEN, VIRGINIA YEARBOOK MEAL 92.92, HETTINGER SCHOOL DISTRICT FIELD TRIP 112.00, LEMMON IGA PROM SUPPLIES 179.05, SD FFA ASSOCIATION REGISTRATION 714.00, SOPHOMORES SUPPLIES 95.50, STIEGELMEIER, JOHN SENIORS GRADUATION SPEAKER 200.00, TURBIVILLE PHOTOGRAPHY PROM CLASS PHOTOS 292.60, VANDERPOOL, BRIDGET MUSIC TRIP MEAL 122.97

**Total Custodial: \$6,376.21**

Elem-\$31,191.10; Junior High-\$12,372.98; High School-\$26,135.08; Title I-\$3,539.93; Guidance-\$4,974.64; Title II-\$3,800.00; Library-\$2,900.34; Tech-\$2,708.33; Superintendent-\$8,725.00; Secretarial-\$3,375.00; Fiscal-\$3,875.00; Custodial-\$3,379.00; Bus Route-\$3,476.26; Co-curricular-\$4,072.92; Sped-\$11,585.84, Sped Admin-\$895.57; School Lunch-\$4,436.74

**Total Payroll for May - \$131,443.73**

#### **SIOUX FALLS FORD PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION**

Thompson requested payment approval to Sioux Falls Ford for the 2026 Ford Transit Van if the vehicle can be picked up before the July 13<sup>th</sup> board meeting. Payment would not be issued until after July 1<sup>st</sup>.

**169.** Motion by Lemer second by Sandgren to approve a \$55,915.00 payment to Sioux Falls Ford. **Motion carried.**

#### **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ACH PAYMENTS**

Thompson requested permission to start making Vendor payments via direct deposit starting in July 2026. She stated that some vendors are now starting to require direct deposit. Discussion followed.

**170.** Motion by Sandgren second by Lemer to approve direct deposit of vendor payments. **Motion carried.**

#### **SPECIAL EDUCATION COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

Julia Brixey discussed the changes to the comprehensive plan.

**171.** Motion by Veal second by Lemer to approve the special education comprehensive plan as presented. **Motion carried.**

#### **BUILDING AND VEHICLE UPDATE**

Dr. Shipley shared the summer cleaning schedule. Three students have been hired and he feels that cleaning is ahead of schedule. Red van in Lemmon being repaired.

#### **CONTRACT APPROVALS**

**172.** Motion by Sandgren second by Veal to approve the following contracts: Ross Collins Summer Weight Room Advisor \$1,000.00, Jarad Zittleman Summer Weight Room Advisor \$1,000.00, Shiloh Lorus Technology Director \$33,312.50, Angela Thompson Businss Manager \$50,000.00 for the 2026-2027 school year. **Motion carried.**

#### **CONTRACT PAYOUT - JOYCE WADDELL**

Dr. Shipley requested that due to Joyce Waddell's retirement the remainder of her contract be paid out in June.

**173.** Motion by Lemer second by Sandgren to approve paying Joyce Waddell's contract in June. **Motion carried.**

#### **PAYMENT FOR ACCUMULATED SICK AND VACATION DAYS - SUPERINTENDENT**

174. Motion by Lemer second by Veal to enter into executive session per SDCL 1-25-2 to discuss (1) personnel. **Motion carried.** Chairman Stadler declared the meeting into executive session at 7:31 pm and back in regular session at 7:45 pm.

175. Motion by Veal second by Sandgren to approve payment to Dr. Shipley for accumulated sick and vacation days at his current daily rate of \$436.25. Roll call: Veal-aye, Lemer-no, Stadler-aye Sandgren-aye **Motion carried.**

#### OPERATING TRANSFERS

176. Motion by Veal second by Lemer to approve the following operating transfers: Capital Outlay to General \$225,000, General to Food Service \$26,000 **Motion carried.**

#### CONTINGENCY TRANSFERS

Table to next month.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET

177. Motion by Sandgren second by Lemer to approve the supplemental budget as presented. **Motion carried.**

#### GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS:

10-1111-014-319	Big Read Professional	\$ 3,050.00
10-1111-014-325	Big Read Rental	\$ 50.00
10-1111-014-411	Big Read Supplies	\$ 150.00
10-1111-015-319	Artist in School Prof	\$ 1,094.75
10-1131-014-319	Big Read Professional	\$ 1,750.00
10-1131-015-319	Artist in School Prof	\$ 1,094.75
	Total General Fund	<u>\$ 7,189.50</u>

#### MEANS OF FINANCE:

10-4135-014	Big Read Grant	\$ 5,000.00
10-4151-015	Artists in Schools	\$ 1,389.50
10-5160	Surplus	\$ 800.00
	Total General Fund	<u>\$ 7,189.50</u>

#### CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND APPROPRIATIONS:

21-2554-000-323	Vehicle Repairs	\$ 13,933.00
21-8120-000-611	Payment to Refunded Debt	\$1,893,375.59
21-5000-000-612	Interest	\$ 39,287.54
21-5000-000-614	Issuance Cost	\$ 14,000.00
	Total Capital Outlay Fund	<u>\$1,960,596.13</u>

#### MEANS OF FINANCE:

21-5140	Insurance Proceeds	\$ 9,790.00
21-5122	Refunding Bonds Issued	\$1,946,663.13
21-5160	Surplus	\$ 4,143.00
	Total Capital Outlay Fund	<u>\$1,960,596.13</u>

#### SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND APPROPRIATIONS:

22-2152-000-319	Speech	\$18,280.00
	Total Special Education Fund	<u>\$18,280.00</u>

#### MEANS OF FINANCE:

22-5160	Surplus	\$18,280.00
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Total Special Education Fund \$18,280.00

**PROPERTY/LIABILITY INSURANCE APPROVAL**

Thompson reported that property and liability premiums decreased \$2,952 from 2025-2026. We were anticipating an increase but ASBSD was able to negotiate lower premiums.

178. Motion by Veal second by Lemer to approve the Property and Liability Insurance with Associated School Boards in the amount \$45,012.00 for the 2026-2027 school year. **Motion carried.**

**DESIGNATION OF TITLE AUTHORITY/APPROVE CONSOLIDATED APP**

179. Motion by Sandgren second by Lemer to authorize Dr. Shipley as the signor on the Title grant application and submission for the 2026-2027 school year. **Motion carried.**

**2025-2026 AUDIT ENGAGEMENT LETTER**

180. Motion by Lemer second by Veal to approve the quote from Cahill Bauer & Associates, LLC in the amount of \$15,000 for the 2025-2026 audit.

**2026-2027 BUDGET DISCUSSION**

Discussion about the budget.

**NWAS REPORT CHRIS VEAL**

Update on the closing process. An auction will be held on June 30<sup>th</sup> in Isabel.

**BUSINESS MANAGER REPORT**

Thompson reported that she spoke with Tracy Hafner, county assessor, and if we have a certified teacher renting the superintendent house that we do not have to pay property taxes on the house.

The final payment was approved tonight to Northwest Area Schools; their board decided to decrease our payment this year and use reserve funds to close out the Co-op. We will receive less funds when the Co-op is closed and Thompson felt that this will help us to maintain our Maintenance of Effort for the 2026-2027 school year.

**SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

181. Motion by Veal second by Lemer to enter into executive session per SDCL 1-25-2 to discuss (1) personnel, and (3) legal. **Motion carried.** Chairman Stadler declared the meeting into executive session at 8:39 pm and back in regular session at 8:45 pm.

182. Motion by Veal second by Sandgren to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 pm. **Motion carried.**

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Mike Stadler, Chairman

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Angela Thompson, Business Manager

<b>Attachment A</b>	<b>GENERAL</b>	<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>	<b>SPECIAL ED</b>	<b>IMPACT AID</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	<b>IMPREST</b>	<b>CUSTODIAL</b>
Cash on Hand 5-01-2026	\$42,563.95	\$2,069.47	\$1,304.13	\$0.00	(\$21,581.44)	\$3,970.60	\$82,290.27
Invested In Securities	\$151,858.59	\$750,553.71	\$264,323.18	\$341,973.44	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Receipts:							
Local Sources:							
Taxes	\$240,330.84	\$250,574.81	\$52,011.46				
Interest	\$1,333.30	\$2,082.52	\$846.47				
Food Service					\$4,947.42		
Cocurricular Activities							
Other	\$1,243.89					\$1,529.40	\$4,918.60
Intermediate Sources:							
County Sources:							
County Apportionment	\$369.18						
Revenue In Lieu of Taxes	\$571.99						
State Sources:							
Unrestricted grants-in-aid	\$42,124.00						
Other							
Federal Sources:							
Grants-in-Aid	\$690.54				\$2,373.67		
Other Sources:							
Sale of surplus property		\$160.00					
Total Receipts	\$286,663.74	\$252,817.33	\$52,857.93	\$0.00	\$7,321.09	\$1,529.40	\$4,918.60
Total Disbursements	\$163,921.41	\$759.95	\$15,971.70	\$0.00	\$8,228.82	\$1,781.04	\$6,376.21
Cash on Hand 5-31-2026	\$33,581.34	\$1,469.52	\$832.43	\$0.00	(\$22,489.17)	\$3,718.96	\$80,832.66
Invested In Securities	\$283,583.53	\$1,003,211.04	\$301,681.11	\$341,973.44	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Oscar Smith Scholarship Fund</b>							
Cash on Hand 5-01-2026	\$128.52						
Invested in Securities	\$332,361.57						
Interest Income	\$584.61						
Cash on Hand 5-31-2026	\$128.52						
Invested in Securities	\$332,946.18						