

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Winner School District 59-2  
High School-Room 105  
7:00 P.M. January 13, 2025

President Calhoon called the meeting to order at 7:00pm with the pledge of allegiance.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mike Calhoon, Corey Audiss, Lynnelle Anderson, Rusty Blare (7:08), Julie Manke, Steve Kubik and Scott Meiners.

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

**SCHOOL PERSONNEL PRESENT:** Keven Morehart, Laura Root, Gerald Witte, Brett Gardner, Kim Demers, Brian Naasz, Sarah Taggart, Judy Duffy, Kari Heenan, Molly Knutelski and Ashley Duffy.

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Nelle Schlomer (7:17), Gus Bartels and Dan Bechtold, Winner Advocate.

ALL MOTIONS CARRIED BY MAJORITY VOTE UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

**RECEIVE PUBLIC INPUT:** Judy Duffy presented information on the state library, state budget cuts and the effects it will have on the Winner School District.

**ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:** None.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion made by S Meiners, seconded by S Kubik and carried to approve the agenda. 6-0

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion made by J Manke, seconded by S Meiners and carried that all board members had received copies of the minutes of the December 9<sup>th</sup> regular meeting and the reading of the minutes would be dispensed with and asked for any additions or corrections. 6-0

Rusty Blare entered at 7:08

**APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS:** Motion made by S Meiners, seconded by L Anderson and carried to approve financial reports. 7-0

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:** Motion made by S Meiners, seconded by S Kubik and carried to approve the bills as submitted. 7-0

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE:** August Bartels, Student Council President

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:** Kim Demers, Brett Gardner, Gerald Witte and Brian Naasz.

**SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT REPORTS:** Parent engagement activity February 17<sup>th</sup> in classrooms at the Elementary School.

**CONFLICT DISCLOSURES:** Motion made by S Meiners, seconded by L Anderson and carried to approve Conflict Disclosure for Cathy Ducheneaux as presented. 7-0

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. Any items the board wishes to consider-None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Motion made by S Kubik, seconded by R Blare and carried to approve resignation from

Mark Gronlund for his retirement and thank him for his years of service to the Winner School District. 7-0

- b. Motion made by S Meiners, seconded by L Anderson and carried to approve offering Elementary Principal/Special Education Coordinator to Sarah Taggart. 7-0
- c. Motion made by J Manke, seconded by R Blare and carried to approve the date and time for the Board Retreat as February 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:00. 7-0
- d. Motion made by S Meiners, seconded by J Manke and carried to approve the teaching contract for Elizabeth Jankauskas as a Special Education Teacher for the remainder of the 24-25 school year for \$21,841.00. 7-0
- e. Motion made by L Anderson, seconded by S Meiners and carried to approve ASBSD Resolution for South Dakota School Boards Consideration: Opposition to School Voucher Proposal. 7-0
- f. Any other items the Board may wish to consider-None

**SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:** Superintendent Morehart updated the board on the following: Enrollment; activities for the month; snow removal; Admin security system installed; Congrats to HS Quizbowl team; One Act Plays this weekend; Chamber Banquet-WSD received 115 year award; MS/HS science classes had speakers; Security Assessment Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup>; interviews for FFA teacher.

Motion made by L Anderson, seconded by S Meiners and carried to enter into executive session for Personnel SDCL1-25-2 (1) Administrative Contracts/Superintendent Evaluation at 8:00. 7-0

President Calhoon declared executive session over at 8:58.

Motion made by S Meiners, seconded by R Blare and carried to approve offering contracts to Sarah Taggart as Elementary Principal/Special Education Coordinator, Kim DeMers as Curriculum/Title/Preschool Coordinator, Brett Gardner as Middle School Principal, Brian Naasz as High School Principal/MS/HS Athletic Director, Laura Root as Business Manager and Keven Morehart as Superintendent for the 25-26 and 26-27 school years with salary and benefits to be determined at a later date. 7-0

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion made by R Blare, seconded by L Anderson and carried to adjourn at 9:01 pm. 7-0

Laura Root  
Business Manager

Mike Calhoon  
Chairman

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