

The regular meeting of the Bowdle Board of Education was held on November 9, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at the Bowdle School with the following members present: Zinter, Schlechter (Via Zoom), Mitzel, Frickson, and Oxner.

Others present: Supt. Serna,Carolynn Nelson, and Tara Beitelspacher.

Chairman Mitzel presided.

Motion by Zinter and seconded by Oxner to approve the agenda with additions of Senior Trip, Health Insurance Dividend, and 2021-22 School Calendar. All voted aye. Motion carried.

There were no conflicts of interest and no one had requested Public Forum Comment time.

Motion by Schlechter and seconded by Frickson to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Bowdle Board of Education held October 12, 2020. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Zinter seconded by Frickson to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Oahe Special Education meeting held October 19, 2020. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Trust & Agency report was presented as follows: Opening balance on October 1, 2020 was: 90544.35; October revenue—23619.38; October disbursements—2762.78; Balance on hand on October 31, 2020 is 111400.95.

The combined school district financial statement for October was presented as follows: Revenue for the general fund included the following items: Cor-Trust—194.16, interest; Edmunds & Walworth Counties—9803.82, taxes; State of SD—21430.00, State Aid; First State Bank—121.77, interest; State of SD, FFV, 867.43, Interest, US Treasury, Activity Tickets-; Gate/—462.00; Computer Deposits, Venture---1078.38, Patronage; Sale of Surplus, 26.00. Capital Outlay received 6394.17 from Edmunds County for tax dollars; US Treasury, 8839.00, G-Grant. Special Education revenue from Edmunds and Walworth counties for taxes was---, Medicaid—420.73 PT/OT Services; Lunch sales—2700.75; and from the State of SD—2855.38, Federal reimbursement. Balances on hand on October 31, 2020 were: Special Ed.—673993.53; General—227691.77; Capital Outlay—758737.36; School lunch—(9867.71).

The following bills were presented and reviewed:

### **General Fund**

Instructional Salaries, November, 41442.12  
Supportive Salaries, November, 15593.03  
Co-Curricular Salaries, November, 6440.64  
EFTPS, SSA/MED/WH, 18188.75  
SDRS, Retirement, 10245.51  
Accounts Management, Garnishment, 94.23  
Northern Plains, Health Insurance, 12851.66  
Delta Dental, Insurance, 604.80  
VSP, Insurance, 182.21  
American Family, Insurance, 642.69  
American Funds, Retirement accounts, 1790.51  
Bowdle School Flex Spending, 310.82  
Bowdle School HSA, 318.22  
Unum, Life Insurance, 39.90  
AP Express, Gas, 41.27  
Beadle Ford, Repairs, 31.50  
Bowdle Building & Hardware, Supplies, 99.56  
City of Bowdle, Water, 203.34  
Colepapers, Paper, Supplies, 1619.35

McCarlson, Dave, Bus Physical, 200.00  
MDU, Gas and Electric, 1303.16  
Peterman, Lisa, Books, 383.31  
Plank Road Publishing, Subscription, 119.45  
Premier, Supplies, 16.82  
Pride, Proceedings & Subscription, 252.07  
Reuer Sanitation, Garbage, 210.00  
Serna, Hector, Supplies, 474.77  
Servall, Supplies, 125.18  
Taylor Music, Supplies, 82.00  
Trust & Agency, Tel—736.13; Refs—486.00. Total, 1222.13  
Watering Can, Parents Night, 54.00  
Ziner, Megan, FACS Supplies, 52.73

### **Capital Outlay**

Connecting Point, Active Boards, 7765.71  
Hoffman, Maurice, Gravel, 720.00  
Johnson Controls, Service Agreement, 5768.10  
Serna, Hector, Website Fees, 244.53  
Sound Decisions, Bus Camera, 762.99  
Time Management Systems, Subscription Fee, 102.00

### **Special Education**

Instructional Salaries, November Salaries, 3409.20  
EFTPS, SSA/MED/WH, 909.69  
SDRS, Retirement, 402.96  
Northern Plains, Insurance, 1240.50  
VSP, Insurance, 11.26  
Delta Dental, Insurance, 44.00  
Oahe Special Ed Co-op, Contract Service, 10132.83  
Serna, Hector, Supplies, 13.98

### **School Lunch**

Support Salaries, November, 4166.74  
EFTPS, WH/Med/SSA, 1086.67  
SDRS, Retirement, 441.44  
Northern Plains, Group Insurance, 1240.50  
VSP, Insurance, 16.08  
Delta Dental, Insurance, 44.00  
Bernard, Food, 489.36  
Cash Wa, Food, 2142.45  
Child & Adult Nutrition, Food, 23.54  
Earthgrains, Bread, 160.07  
Henning Brothers Leasing, Dishwasher Deposit and Lease, 110.00  
Kemps, Milk, 736.83  
Serna, Hector, Food, 14.08  
Servall, Supplies, 33.94

Motion by Oxner and seconded by Schlechter to approve the October financial statement, Trust & Agency fund, and to allow all bills as read. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Serna Acknowledged FBLA for doing well in competition and Jr Class for their efforts in fund raising for Senior Trip.

Business Manager Nelson reported that Oxner's Board seat will be up at the end of the school year.

Mr. Serna explained that parents have to sign a release for their child to be given a rapid Covid 19 test and must show symptoms. He then showed the Board members an actual test and explained how it is given. He said that all teachers will be tested as a preventative measure.

Mr. Serna reported that we have extra minutes due to starting at 8:00 AM and suggested moving back to 8:20 AM start time. Also because of the extra minutes, he requested that we use some of the extra time by having November 25<sup>th</sup> as full day of release.

Motion by Zinter and seconded by Oxner to return to 8:20 instructional start time, resume elementary walk at 8:00 AM to start on November 16<sup>th</sup> and to switch bus drop off back to front of the building and designate November 25<sup>th</sup> as full day release. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Critical Essential Employee designation was discussed. No motion was made at this time.

Parent/Teacher Conferences were held October 28 and went well. Social distancing practices were enforced.

Veterans Day Program will be held November 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 AM. Seating arrangements will be changed for social distancing.

Christmas Concert will be held December 10<sup>th</sup>. Seating arrangements will be changed for social distancing and the concert will be kept to one hour.

There have been some complaints and discussion from parents concerning the new Honor Roll standards. Mr. Serna suggested staying with the standards for this year and to form a committee of parents, teachers, Administration, and students to set standards for 2021-22.

Senior Trip meeting will be set before Thanksgiving Break to set firm plans for trip to Grand Canyon.

Mr. Serna informed the Board that Northern Plains Insurance will be issuing the school a dividend in the amount of \$16267.64.

Motion by Frickson and seconded by Oxner to provide a Health Insurance Dividend of \$956.92 in the December payroll for current, active employees that were on the school district health insurance during the 2018-19 school year. Frickson, Oxner, and Mitzel voted aye. Zinter and Schlechter abstained. Motion carried.

The following employees will receive this benefit:

Ashley Anderson	Clay Cheskey	Derrick Walz
Mary Weiszhaar	Rebeca Hettick	Louise Reuer
Hector Serna	Megan Zinter	Rick Gereau
Shauna Severson	Susan Holsworth	Brad Johnson
Tammra Kaaz	Gale Lien	Carolynn Nelson
Lisa Peterman	Tandy Reilley	

Two version of the 2021-22 School Calendar were reviewed. One with start date after Labor Day and one with start date before Labor Day. Samples of both calendars will be put on the school web site for parents, students and teachers to review and offer feedback. No motion was made at this time.

Edmunds County and Ipswich School Districts will be having a public meeting November 16 to discuss their football Co-op. Mr. Serna and Mr. Weismantel will be attending.

North Central Thunder Co-op meeting will be held November 18 at 7:00 PM at Bowdle.

Mr. Serna reviewed number of students taking band and choir. Moving Music Appreciation/History to be a Senior level class was discussed as a way of increasing band and choir participation. No motion was made at this time.

SDHAA winter sports recommendations were reviewed.

Motion by Zinter and seconded by Frickson to enter Executive Session at 7:05 pm for SDCL1-25-2 (1) Personnel and SDCL 1-25-2 (2) Student. All voted aye. Motion carried.

At this time Nelson and Beitelspacher left the meeting.

Executive Session ended at 7:43 pm.

Motion by Zinter and seconded by Schlechter to accept open enrollment applications for student 20-21-1 and 20-21-2. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Oxner and seconded by Frickson to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

The next regular meeting of the Bowdle School Board will be December 14, 2020, 5:30 pm, in the teacher's lounge.

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Josh Mitzel, Chairman

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Carolynn Nelson, Bus. Mgr.

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