# Minutes of the Board of Education of the Oelrichs School District 23-3 Regular Board Meeting April 15, 2024

### Call to Order

The Board of Education of the Oelrichs School District 23-3 met in regular session on April 15, 2024, in the library. The meeting was called to order by Dave Osmotherly, Board President, at 5:00 pm.

# Pledge of Allegiance

### Roll Call

Members Present: John Cope, Katie Merdanian, Dave Osmotherly, Marty Schommer and Lance Tlustos

Administration Present: Dr. Mitchell Stone, Principal Peterson, Attorney Hickey, and Business Manager Sword

MOTION by Cope, second Tlustos, to approve March 18, 2024, meeting minutes. Motion carried. MOTION by Cope, second Merdanian, to approve the proposed agenda. Motion carried.

\*All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted. **Public Participation –** no participation.

### **Old Business**

**High School Construction** Dr. Stone informed the board that Upper Deck and Scull received their letters from Kyle. The issues identified were the foundation, walls, and upper insulation. Kyle has been in contact with a roofing expert, and we will proceed to identify any defects causing water damage. H2I is scheduled to perform maintenance on the gym floor the end of July.

**Bus Barn** TSP has agreed to the changes. Kyle is cleaning up some of the language so we can proceed with design.

**Modulars** The notice has been published and submitted bids will be reviewed at the May meeting.

**Board Reports** Merdanian attended Communities that Care meeting. They are offering a variety of programs and will offer assistance if the school has a need. They would like to be invited to Back to School in August. Merdanian requested the Dr. Stone meet with Joe Messinio regarding the property by the railroad tracks. If necessary, Mr. Hickey will get an estimate of the cost to have the property surveyed.

**Administration Reports** Dr. Stone informed the board that the FY2023 audit has been reviewed and accepted by the State of South Dakota Department of Legislative Audit and posted to the school website.

The comprehensive needs assessment (CAN) has been completed by two state representatives. They will be meeting with the leadership team.

The 1003, school improvement grants will be open next month. Historically money from this grant has paid for professional development.

Stone plans to attend the state Impact Aid meeting in Pierre next week.

Principal Peterson informed the board about the after school 'Buff time"; the state testing is scheduled and teachers are ready; Kindergarten and 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation is planned; and midterms are this week.

### **Financials**

MOTION by Merdanian, second Schommer, to accept the unaudited financial reports and pay all invoiced claims. Motion carried.

|              | <b>Beginning</b> | <u>Plus</u>     | <u>Less</u>          | <u>Ending</u>  |
|--------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------|
|              | <u>Balance</u>   | <u>Receipts</u> | <u>Disbursements</u> | <u>Balance</u> |
| General Fund | 260,041.35       | 68,936          | 196,886.42           | 132,090.93     |

| Capital Outlay     | 460,845.61   | 5,099.08  | 7,295.55  | 458,649.14   |
|--------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|
| Special Education  | 74,697.98    | 25.01     | 22,606.05 | 52,116.94    |
| Impact Aid         | 6,625,955.48 | 14,123.27 |           | 6,640,078.75 |
| Food Service       | 833.67       | 8,631.17  | 13,770.23 | (4,305.39)   |
| Custodial Balance: | 17,173.99    | 1,934.07  |           | 19,108.06    |

## **South Dakota High School Activities Association Board Resolution**

MOTION by Tlustos, second Merdanian to authorize membership in the South Dakota High School Activities Association beginning July 1, 2024, and ends June 30, 2025. Motion carried.

## **Associated School Boards Workers Compensation Renewal Proposal**

MOTION by Schommer, second Cope to adopt, approve, and ratify the ASB Workers' Compensation Trust Fund Participation Agreement. Motion carried.

# Optilegra July 1, 2024

MOTION by Tlustos, second Merdianian to renew membership with Optilegra vision plan on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, with no increase in rates. Motion carried.

# Health Insurance Rates July 1, 2024

MOTION by Merdanian, second Schommer to approve paying \$730 premium per month, for eligible employees, towards Black Hills Educational Benefits Cooperative/Wellmark health insurance. Motion carried.

#### Calendar 2024-2025

MOTION by Schommer, second Merdanian to approve the 2024-2025 school calendar as presented by Principal Peterson. Motion carried.

#### **Contracts**

MOTION by Cope, second Merdanian to approve the Special Education Contract Agreement 2024-2025 with Rock Solid Consulting. Motion carried.

MOTION by Tlustos, second Merdanian to accept the contract submitted by Brenda Selan to provide OT services for the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried.

## **Personnel**

MOTION by Merdanian, second Schommer to approve the employment agreement with Shelby Davis as the 2-3 grade teacher for school year 2024-2025. Motion carried.

MOTION by Tlustos, second Merdanian to approve the Head Track Coach contract with Buff Tewahade for \$3,885 for school year 2023-2024. Mr. Tewahade will be providing to all high school students after school activities to include open gym, weight room, and running. Motion carried.

MOTION by Tlustos, second Merdanian to forgive all teacher contracted snow days for school year 2023-2024. Cope abstained. Motion carried.

Mr. Hickey informed the board that a complaint had been filed regarding contracts that did not follow the negotiated agreement. He is working to write a Memorandum of Understanding to allow the teachers to fulfill the school year 2023-2024 contract. This will be an issue that will need to be reviewed for the school year 2024-2025.

## Negotiation

No action taken.

#### Adjournment

MOTION by Schommer, second Merdanian to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 PM. Motion carried.

Attested to by CEO/Superintendent Stone.

Pursuant to SDCL 17-2-28 the approximate cost of publishing this legal notice is \$