

**Minutes of the Board of Education of the  
Oelrichs School District 23-3  
Annual Board Meeting  
July 15, 2024**

**Call to Order**

The Board of Education of the Oelrichs School District 23-3 met in regular session on July 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 Mike Hickey, and Business Manager Sword.

MOTION by Merdanian, second Tlustos, to approve June 17, 2024, meeting minutes. Motion carried.

MOTION by Cope, second Merdanian, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

*\*All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.*

**Public Participation** – no participation.

**School Board**

Oath of office was administered to Dave Osmotherly and Lance Tlustos by Superintendent Stone. Nominations were opened for President of the Board of Education. Schommer nominated Cope for Board President, Tlustos seconded. Cope accepted the nomination. Hearing no other nominations, Cope was elected President. John Cope was sworn in as President by Dr. Stone. Nominations were opened for Vice President of the Board of Education. Schommer nominated Osmotherly as Vice President, Merdanian seconded. Osmotherly accepted the nomination. Hearing no other nominations, Osmotherly was elected Vice President. Dave Osmotherly was sworn in as Vice-President by Dr. Stone.

**Old Business**

**High School Construction:** Dr. Stone shared the proposal from The Diehl Group Architects Inc to provide services for the high school roof.

MOTION by Osmotherly, second Tlustos to accept the AIA contract with The Diehl Group Architects Inc, not to exceed \$10,000. Motion carried.

Discussion about the steps to proceed with Scull Construction. Stone will inform Kyle that the board requests remedy of mediation by August 1.

Osmotherly shared some issues in the high school kitchen. Administration will follow up with this information.

**Bus Barn:**

MOTION by Schommer, second Osmotherly to table any action regarding the bus barn. Motion carried.

**Modulars:** Administration will continue to work with Ms. Hawn on the removal of the modular to ensure completion by August 10.

**Board Reports:** Merdanian attended BHSSC and provided an update to the board.

**Administration Reports:**

Stone informed the board that the 1003 School Improvement Grants have been completed. This grant has become more competitive and required extensive time. Notice was given that Oelrichs School received full funding to cover the cost of professional development and materials. Perkins awarded a

table saw (\$6000), a welder (\$5000), and funding to cover the cost of welder certification for five students (\$1,300).

Stone is working to amend the ESSER III grant to expense remaining funds.

The high school gym floor will have annual maintenance July 29-30. The classrooms floors will be waxed the weekend of the 19<sup>th</sup>.

NAFIS fall conference is scheduled for September 21 – 25.

Stone and Merdanian will contact Fall River Auditor, Sue Ganje, to possibly get on the agenda of the county commission meeting regarding the progress of the insurance claim for the error in collecting SPED portion of property taxes.

Peterson informed the board that she plans to attend Infinite Campas Training with Shayna.

**Financials**

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

	<u>Beginning</u> <u>Balance</u>	<u>Plus</u> <u>Receipts</u>	<u>(adjust)</u>	<u>Less</u> <u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Ending</u> <u>Balance</u>
General Fund	486,840.53	92,023.69		240,550.68	338,313.54
Capital Outlay	515,566.86	21,833.48		3,828.38	533,571.96
Special Education	33,652.44	1,614.90		11,492.69	23,774.65
Impact Aid	6,914,675.17	26,515.13			6,941,190.30
Food Service	3,108.97	31,410.93	17,039.40	49,055.44	2,503.86
Custodial Balance:	18,070.15	496.81			18,566.96

**Amend FY24 Food Service**

MOTION by Merdanian, second Osmotherly to approve and adopt supplemental Food Service budget resolution number FY24-02. Motion carried.

**FY24 Budget: Public Hearing @ 5:30**

**Surplus**

MOTION by Osmotherly, second Tlustos to approve disposal of the surplus list provided. Motion carried.

**Contracts**

MOTION by Osmotherly, second Schommer to approve the lease agreement at 960 Elm Street with Les Cope. Motion carried.

MOTION by Osmotherly, second Schommer to approve the lease agreement at 846 W 8<sup>th</sup> Street with James Willmus. Motion carried.

**Personal**

MOTION by Osmotherly, second Tlustos to terminate Branden Dobbs employment contract. Motion carried.

MOTION by Osmotherly, second Merdanian to approve the employment contract with Kenneth Updike for \$10,289 annually, to teach one class per day for school year 2024-2025. Motion carried.

**Board Organization**

MOTION by Osmotherly, second Tlustos approve 1-16 for the 2024-2025 Board Organization as listed. Motion carried.

- 1) Black Hills Federal Credit Union of Rapid City and First National Bank of Rapid City as the designation of official depository.
- 2) Designation of the Chief Executive Officer as the custodian of all accounts.
- 3) The Fall River Herald is the official legal newspaper.
- 4) Authorization of continuation of existing funds or accounts and the establishment of any new accounts, if necessary.

- 5) To set the date, time and place of the regular meetings as the Third Monday of each month; at the Oelrichs School; at 5:00pm
- 6) Establishment of advisory committees where applicable.
- 7) Approve Liability insurance of \$1,000,000 for the Business Manager with the premium to be paid by the district; \$1,000,000 for the Chief Executive Officer with the premium to be paid by the district; and \$1,000,000 for the Principal with the premium to be paid by the District.
- 8) Appointment of Chief Executive Officer to serve as administrator of trust and agency accounts.
- 9) Appointment of Chief Executive Officer to direct all federal programs.
- 10) Authorization of advertising bids for materials not already purchased.
- 11) Authorization of Chief Executive Officer to institute school lunch agreement.
- 12) Re-designation of Robert's Rules of Order or other rules as parliamentary procedure for Board meetings.
- 13) Set tuition rate of \$0 for elementary or secondary enrollment.
- 14) Authorization for the Chief Executive Officer to invest and reinvest funds in institutions offering the greatest advantage to the School District.
- 15) Setting of food service prices; All grades lunch: \$4.35 w/milk; Adults lunch: \$4.73 w/milk; All grades Breakfast: \$2.50 w/milk; Adults Breakfast: \$2.75 w/milk; Milk: \$0.35
- 16) Admission prices as follows: Adults \$3.00, Students \$1.00, Activity tickets Senior Citizens \$0, Activity tickets Adults \$20.00, Oelrichs School faculty, staff and students admitted without charge.

MOTION by Merdanian, second Osmotherly to 17) Set Board Member compensation at \$166.00 per day. Motion carried.

MOTION by Tlustos, second Osmotherly to approve 18-26 for the 2024-2025 Board Organization as listed. Motion carried.

- 18) Designation of Chief Executive Officer to close school in emergency situations and in case of inclement weather and setting chain of command in the event the CEO is absent.
- 19) Designation of Principal as District Truancy Officer.
- 20) Set rates as: \$ 90.00 per day secretarial \$ 90.00 per day non-certified; \$125.00 per day certified; \$135.00 per day long-term (10+ consecutive days); \$ 70.00 per day Kitchen Staff; \$ 52.70 per Bus Run; \$18.97 per hour activity driver; \$13.00 per hour bus monitor.
- 21) Authorize pre-payment of First National Bank credit card bills each month.
- 22) Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to apply for the Title Consolidated Grant to include Title VI.
- 23) Approve Indian Education Policies and Procedures.
- 24) Approve District Wellness Policy.
- 25) The annual election for School Board members shall be set between the second Tuesday in April and the third Tuesday in June between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.
- 26) Set parent mileage at \$.60 per mile after 5 miles away from school.

MOTION by Osmotherly, second Tlustos to 27) Designate Mr. Michael Hickey as legal counsel for the Board. Motion carried.

28) MOTION by Tlustos, second Schommer to appoint Merdanian to represent the District on the Black Hills Special Services Cooperative; Osmotherly as alternate. Motion carried

29) MOTION by Osmotherly, second Tlustos to designate Cope and the business manager Sword to the Board of Directors of the Black Hills Educational Benefits Plan. Motion carried.

MOTION by Tlustos, second Merdanian to approve John Cope to sign checks at First National Bank and remove Osmotherly. Motion carried.

### **Adjournment**

MOTION by Osmotherly, second Tlustos to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 PM. Motion carried.

*Attested to by CEO/Superintendent Stone.*

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

*July 15, 2024*