

**School Board Proceedings  
Dell Rapids School District 49-3  
August 23, 2010**

The Dell Rapids School District Board of Education met Monday, August 23, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school distance learning room with the following members present: Alan Blankenfeld, Brian Davis, Troy Randall, Cindy Schuch, and Matthew Weiland. Absent: None.

Administration and other persons present: Tom Ludens, Superintendent; Barbara Littel, Business Manager; Bruce Olson, High School Principal/A.D.; Fran Ruesink, Middle School Principal; John Jewett, Elementary Principal/Technology Director; Steve Helgeland, Special Education Director; Todd Wiebenga, Transportation/Facility Supervisor; Erica Fersdahl; Amanda Downs; Tony & Carrie Reider; Dana & Amanda Walters.

President Blankenfeld called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Audience comments were taken. Dana and Amanda Walters requested bus transportation to the home of Paul & Jill Scherff. Carrie and Tony Reider requested afternoon bus transportation to their home, which is one mile past the Scherff home.

**11-025** Motion by Schuch, seconded by Randall, to approve the Walters and Reider **transportation** requests, and to charge the regular open-enrolled transportation fees. All voted aye.

**11-026** Motion by Davis, seconded by Schuch, to approve the **agenda** as published. All voted aye.

Superintendent Ludens distributed calendar of events to the board.

**11-027** Motion by Davis, seconded by Randall, to remove from table the track coaching **resignation** from Steve Hansen. All voted aye.

**11-028** Motion by Davis, seconded by Schuch, to approve the **consent agenda**. All voted aye.

**A.** Approval of the **Strive High contract** with Colman-Egan, Garretson, Baltic, and Tri-Valley.

**B.** Approval of the **Personnel Report**.

**1. Employment:**

Richard Mott, high school art teacher.  
Alysha Solberg, Haven assistant - \$7.25/hour.

**2. Contract Amendments:**

Dana DeBoer, Samantha Dishman, Heather Hanson, Sue Hovey, Jim Rueckert – changes in working hours.  
Heather Herman – add middle school special education tutor at \$9.00/hour.  
Steve Hansen – drop high school assistant track coach.  
Michael Putnam – change from middle school track to assistant high school track coach.  
Dale Solberg – add middle school track coach.  
Ginny Ziebarth – add high school musical advisor.  
Sharon Mitchell – drop three-act play and add high school musical advisor.  
Jeff Schmidt – change from high school custodian to assistant transportation supervisor at \$20,833.30 for the period 9/1/10 – 6/30/11.

**C. Authorizations and ratifications.**

1. Approval of **open enrollment** applications #11-27 through #11-30.
2. Approval of **home school applications** #11-31 through #11-39.
3. Adoption of the **Special Education Comprehensive Plan**.
4. Cast a **SDHSAA run-off ballot** for Steve Dick.

Administrative and supervisory reports were given. Bruce Olson reported on activity advisors and coaches, high school enrollment, CTE enrollment, and activity numbers for middle school/high school.

Fran Ruesink reported on promethean boards in all core classrooms, extending the middle school advisory period, and completion of Dakota Step summary booklets.

John Jewett reported on Title I ARRA grant training for elementary staff and school board email options. Randall asked about moving the schedule for kindergarten round-up to earlier in the spring. Dr. Jewett will have the staff address the board regarding dates for the round-up.

Steve Helgeland reported on special education numbers, speech screenings, the high school CASE curriculum, and the comprehensive plan.

Todd Wiebenga reported on fleet repairs, routes, driver training, and transportation goals for the school year.

Superintendent Ludens reported on enrollment, the NCLB report, and the elementary school building project.

**11-029** Motion by Davis, seconded by Randall, to approve the first reading of Section A **policy review**. All voted aye.

**11-030** Motion by Davis, seconded by Schuch, to go into executive session at 8:45 p.m. to discuss negotiations. All voted aye.

Blankenfeld declared the board out of executive session at 9:15 p.m. and adjourned the meeting.

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Alan Blankenfeld, President

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Barbara Littel, Business Manager

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