

**School Board Proceedings
Dell Rapids School District 49-3
February 28, 2011**

The Dell Rapids School District Board of Education met Monday, February 28, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the middle school/high school library 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; Steve Helgeland, Special Education Director; Fran Ruesink, Middle School Principal; Dr. John Jewett, Elementary Principal/Technology Director; Todd Wiebenga, Transportation/Facilities Supervisor; Darwin Daugaard; Diane Reiff; Dawn Sorenson; Beth Nagel; Wendy Anstine; Rollie Heidebrink; Mark Feehan; Dolly Feehan; Amanda Downs; Elizabeth Ekeland; Tracie Storo, Tom Morris, Erica Fersdahl; Justin Stanford; Nicole Anderson-Gappa.

President Blankenfeld called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Amanda Downs inquired about the next kindergarten task force meeting. Brian Davis stated that because budget decisions may impact the kindergarten structure, the meeting will be held when more definite funding information is available after the legislative session.

11-096 Motion by Schuch, seconded by Randall, to approve the **agenda** with the additions of Consent Agenda C.2. – Negotiating Team Change and New Business C. – Change Order. All voted aye.

A review of current budget line items was conducted from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. The budget work session will be continued on March 2nd.

Superintendent Ludens presented a calendar of events and commended the following students:

Quarrier of the Month for January – Megan Rueb;

Middle School Students of the Month for January – Matt Gillogly, Kaylee Hennen, Maggie Boever, Rose Habeger, Dominic Holmes, Cordell Wright, Dena Erickson, and Jacob Ritter;

State Wrestling Qualifiers – Jackson Entringer, Austin Gee, Tyler Gee, David Halvorson, Jacob Huewe, Jordan Lindberg, and Phillip Schwebach.

11-097 Motion by Randall, seconded by Davis, to approve the **consent agenda**. All voted aye.

A. January 2011 Financial Report.

**Statement of Cash Receipts,
Disbursements and Cash Balances**

	General Fund	Capital Outlay Fund	Special Education Fund	Pension Fund	Food Service Fund	Trust & Agency Funds	Bond Redemption Funds	Capital Projects Funds
Cash Balance, 1/1/11	\$1,384,467.29	\$1,543,041.90	\$149,506.04	\$244,675.59	\$65,218.17	\$95,595.62	\$170,577.47	\$12,376,033.65
Receipts:								
Taxes	\$8,448.33	\$4,965.00	\$2,327.05	\$496.57			\$630.85	
Tuition & Fees	1,020.00							
Interest	142.77	680.27	21.88	87.22	\$7.06	\$11.53	60.84	\$113.36
Food Service Sales					28,721.66			
Pupil Activities	2,357.58					10,206.62		
After School Prog.	6,862.03							
Rentals	195.00							
Charges for Services			3,091.80					
Other Local Sources	52.00							
County Sources	5,450.56							
State Grants	221,216.00		15,713.00					
Federal Grants	17,400.00		55,633.00		9,637.56			
Total Receipts	\$263,144.27	\$5,645.27	\$76,786.73	\$583.79	\$38,366.28	\$10,218.15	\$691.69	\$113.36
Total Disbursements	-\$440,593.21	-\$6,430.93	-\$115,742.44	-\$0.00	-\$39,910.79	-\$13,852.34	-\$0.00	-\$894,796.59
Cash Balance, 1/31/11	\$1,207,018.35	\$1,542,256.24	\$110,550.33	\$245,259.38	\$63,673.66	\$91,961.43	\$171,269.16	\$11,481,350.42

B. Personnel – approval of Julie Wanner, SPED Associate, at \$10.03/hour.

C. Authorizations and ratifications:

1. Declare two overhead projectors and two DVD/VCR combos as surplus, of no value, for disposal.
2. Change the negotiating team to Troy Randall and Brian Davis.

11-098 Motion by Schuch, seconded by Weiland, to schedule a **special board meeting** for March 2, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. All voted aye. At the meeting the board will continue budget review and will hear proposals from two architectural firms regarding the design of a new bus barn.

11-099 Motion by Davis, seconded by Randall, to notify the DREA of the board's intention to implement the **staff reduction** procedure in the high school, the middle school, and the elementary school, pursuant to Section 10.1.1 of the Negotiated Agreement. All voted aye.

11-100 Motion by Schuch, seconded by Weiland, to approve change order #9 on the new elementary school: omit locks and keys at corridor and athletic lockers for a cost reduction of \$2,156.77. All voted aye.

Administrators' reports were given. John Jewett reported on the Promethean training pilot project, April and May Promethean training, coordinating connectivity between the high school and new elementary school, the kindergarten task force and discussion of a beginning garden program, and kindergarten round-up. Fran Ruesink reported on the revised quarter ending date, Right to Learn testing, February conferences, Valentines for Vets, and the ICU process.

Steve Helgeland reported on Dakota Step Alternate Assessment training, finalizing Extended School Year arrangements, the March 3-4 preschool screening, and training for the Writing Alternate Assessment.

Todd Wiebenga reported that the district's grant applications for retrofitting bus exhausts and partial funding of a new activity bus have been approved. Action on the grant agreements will be added to the March 2nd meeting agenda. Wiebenga also stated that buildings and grounds equipment have been inspected, and some equipment would need to be purchased if the district doesn't contract for grounds maintenance at the high school. He will have a comparison of costs for in-house and contracted grounds maintenance at the March 14th board meeting.

The superintendent's report was given:

- A. A preliminary FY2012 capital outlay expenditure plan and a preliminary five-year capital plan were distributed.
- B. A 2011-2012 calendar being proposed by the elementary staff was distributed. Superintendent Ludens will meet with representatives from all buildings and have a recommendation for action at the March 14 board meeting.
- C. Alternatives for Strive High are being discussed by the superintendent, high school principal, middle school principal, and special education director.
- D. The district has 23 contracted slots at the CTE academy and more than 23 students have registered to take classes next year. Students were informed at registration that the district may not provide transportation service.
- E. Trees hardier for the location will be substituted for trees originally proposed in the new elementary school landscaping.
- F. Six construction companies attended the pre-bid walk-through for the high school remodel/addition project. Bids will be opened at 2:00 p.m. on March 15th.
- G. The 2010 census data shows the population of Dell Rapids has increased by 21.9% over the last ten years to 3633.
- H. A legislative update was given. Information was distributed regarding the impact of state aid reductions of 5.6%, 6.5%, or 10%.

Brian Davis reported on the ASBSD legislative day in Pierre.

Blankenfeld adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Alan Blankenfeld, President

Barbara Littel, Business Manager

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