

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

The Dell Rapids School District Board of Education met Monday, March 28, 2011 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; Steve Helgeland, Special Education Director; Fran Ruesink, Middle School Principal; Dr. John Jewett, Elementary Principal/Technology Director; Wayne Coffaa; Darwin Daugaard; Diane Reiff; Dawn Sorenson; Wendy Anstine; LuAnn Heidebrink; Dolly Feehan; Amanda Downs; Tom Morris; Nicole Gappa; Dan Ahlers; Jerry Lemme; Sam Prasek; Zach Lemme; Nick Holmes; Bill Bixenmann; Marcy Anderson; Steve Munk; Sherry Brandner; Brenda Hahn; Jeff Traill; Jody Stone.

President Blankenfeld called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Audience comments were taken.

11-118 Motion by Schuch, seconded by Randall, to approve the **agenda** with the addition of a report from the Kindergarten Task Force. All voted aye.

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

Quarrier of the Month for February – Emily Kerns;

Middle School Students of the Month for February – Evan Schmidt, Amanda Tomes, Austin Ellingson, Dawson Kerzman, Brett Mogen, Amy Stoltenberg, Joel Brust, and McKenzie Heinemann;

2011 National Honor Society Members – Channing Barber, Zachery Barber, Brianna Davis, Ben Dipple, April Erdman, Danyelle Ernesti, Haley Fiedler, Emily Haak, Hannah Hammer, Weston Hansen, Sam Hinricher, Erica Jurgensen, Jordan Lindberg, Laine Mitchell, Chad Munk, Tanner Munk, Lexie Pierson, Riley Rinehart, Ashley Stanton, Lexy Utech, Derrick Vortherms, and Hunter White;

Boys' Basketball Team – 3rd place in the South Dakota State "A" Basketball Tournament.

11-119 Motion by Davis, seconded by Weiland, to table the **resignation** of Katie Wolff from her assistant volleyball coaching position until FY2012 staffing determinations are made. All voted aye.

11-120 Motion by Schuch, seconded by Randall, to approve the **consent agenda**. All voted aye.

A. February 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, 2/1/11	\$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
Receipts:								
Taxes	\$31,132.75	\$23,880.89	\$11,169.06	\$2,388.11			\$18,432.17	
Tuition & Fees	135.00							
Interest	178.30	556.68	4.87	69.75	\$5.71	\$9.52	49.34	\$92.46
Food Service Sales					29,050.63			
Pupil Activities	5,499.50					22,341.17		
After School Prog.	6,935.08							
Rentals								
Charges for Services			3,496.30					
Other Local Sources	366.94							
County Sources	4,330.29							
State Grants	288,882.46		15,713.00					
Federal Grants	162,337.29		40,271.00		10,010.26			
Total Receipts	\$499,797.61	\$24,437.57	\$70,654.23	\$2,457.86	\$39,066.60	\$22,350.69	\$18,481.51	\$92.46
Total Disbursements	-\$481,674.22	-\$12,187.49	-\$110,128.15	-\$0.00	-\$42,928.47	-\$11,079.00	-\$0.00	-\$1,650,840.11
Cash Balance, 2/28/11	\$1,225,141.74	\$1,554,506.32	\$71,076.41	\$247,717.24	\$59,811.79	\$103,233.12	\$189,750.67	\$9,830,602.77

B. Personnel – resignation of Tanna Swanson, middle school teacher, effective at the end of the FY2011 school year.

C. Authorizations and ratifications – approve change order request #10 on the new elementary school: Cabling modifications at Smart Boards – deduction of \$1,590.62.

D. Election Officials – appoint Delores McKee, Doris Mitchell, Karen Vietor, Alice Hansen, and Loretta Coad as officials for the April 12, 2011 school board election.

11-121 Motion by Weiland, seconded by Randall, to reject the summer 2011 **grounds maintenance** proposal and to re-advertise for proposals for services to start April 26, 2011. All voted aye.

The facility supervisor was asked to compile a list of rental and/or purchase costs for equipment that would be needed if grounds maintenance is not contracted.

The board reviewed bids for the high school remodel and additions (listed in the March 15, 2011 minutes).

11-122 Motion by Davis, seconded by Schuch, to accept the low bid from Peska Construction for the **high school remodel and additions** at the base bid of \$2,988,000.00, add alternate #1 for \$40,000.00, add alternate #2 for \$36,200.00, and add alternate #3 for \$28,300.00. Voting aye: Blankenfeld, Davis, Randall, and Schuch; Voting nay: Weiland; Motion carried.

Superintendent Ludens reported that three quotes were received for testing services on the high school remodel and addition project.

11-123 Motion by Randall, seconded by Davis, to hire American Engineering Testing for **inspection and testing services** on the high school remodel and addition project. All voted aye.

11-124 Motion by Schuch, seconded by Weiland, to schedule a **special board meeting** for Friday, April 1, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. All voted aye.

Principals' reports were given. Fran Ruesink reported on an online student survey, cyber bullying and digital representation presentations, the health fair scheduled for Friday April 1st from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m., Dakota Step testing, and student activities. John Jewett reported on elementary math textbook selection and kindergarten roundup.

Board consideration of all-day, every-day kindergarten will be on the agenda for the April 1st special board meeting so the information will be available to parents at kindergarten roundup.

Steve Helgeland reported on evaluations and review of expected FY2012 special education caseloads in each building.

Wayne Coffaa reported on the progress of construction on the new elementary school.

11-125 Motion by Weiland, seconded by Randall, to increase summer **drivers' education fees** to \$150 for resident students and \$200 for out-of-district students. All voted aye.

Staff recognition awards were discussed, and Dr. Jewett reported on recommendations from the kindergarten task force for implementing an all-day, every-day kindergarten program.

The FY2012 budget was discussed and cost estimates were reviewed for possible budget cuts.

11-126 Motion by Weiland, seconded by Randall, to go into **executive session** at 9:15 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel (SDCL 1-25-2, 1). All voted aye.

Blankenfeld declared the board out of executive session at 10:30 p.m. and adjourned the meeting.

Alan Blankenfeld, President

Barbara Littel, Business Manager

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