

Dakota CUSD #201

Board Meeting Summary

June 2019

6.18.19 Board Meeting Summary

The Dakota School Board held its regular June board meeting on the 18th. Below is a summary of the meeting.

Dakota Athletic Booster report

Kathy Sutherland and Emily Moyer provided a summary report on the work of the Dakota Athletic Booster organization from the past year. Thanks to successful fundraising efforts and the work of volunteers, DAB provided another year of meaningful support to Dakota High School athletic teams. DAB has been supporting DHS athletics since 1961.

Fiscal Year 2020 budget update report

Mr. Mathers provided the board with an update on the progress of the FY 20 budget. The budget will not be adopted until September, but he and the district staff have been working to get most of the revenue and expense line items in place. Mr. Mathers shared that many of the items in the Keep Dakota Proud! Plan are accounted for in the budget and that most of them are one-time expenditures. The budget will continue to be modified and adjusted up through September

Approved 2019-2020 student-parent handbooks

The board approved the student-parent handbooks for the 2019-2020 school year. There are few changes from the previous year, with updates to weighted grades at the high school being the most significant.

Approved 2019-2020 fees and lunch prices.

The board approved the fee and lunch fee schedule for the 2019-2020 school year. There were no changes or increases from the previous year.

Approved 2019-2020 Dakota school calendar

The board approved the 2019-2020 calendar, which is comparable to last year's. Below are the highlights:

First day student attendance: August 19
Thanksgiving break: November 27-29

Christmas break: December 21- January 5

Spring break: March 21- 29

Easter break: April 10-13

Final student attendance day (no snow days): May 22

Final student attendance day (with 5 snow days): June 1

Approved increase to the substitute teacher daily rate to \$85

The board approved an increase in the daily substitute teacher daily rate from \$75 to \$85. The increase keeps the district more in line with what other area school districts are paying substitute teachers.

Approved bid for district's property, liability and workman's compensation insurance.

The board approved the bids for property, liability and workman's compensation insurance for the next school year. Even though the district requested additional coverage, the premium increase came in at a very modest increase.

Approved milk, bread, food and snow removal bids for 2019-2020.

The board approved bids for milk, bread food and snow removal. As was the case in previous years, milk was the only competitive bid. Mueller received the milk bid; Pan-O-Gold the bread bid; Sysco the food bid; and Klever Excavating the snow removal bid.

Approved instructional coach position

The board approved a new position of instructional coach. The position will support teachers in the implementation of curriculum and instructional practices. The position will support the entire district staff, but will likely focus primarily on K-8 during the 2019-2020 school year. The position is for one year and will be evaluated in the spring to determine if it should be continued.

Approved technology support specialist position.

The board approved a position of support specialist position. This position is created due to some staff restructuring in the technology department. The job requirements will be primarily to respond to staff

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hardware technology requests and support the second phase implementation of Chromebooks.

Approved cross country as DHS extracurricular activity.

The board approved adding cross country as an additional extra-curricular activity. Cross country will be for both boys and girls and is a fall activity. The increasing participation in the spring track program created a strong interest on the part of students for a cross country team.

Approved Memorandum of Understandings with Dakota Education Association (DEA)

The board approved two MOU's with the DEA. One was for a modification in the prescription drug program. The other was adding a stipend to the collective bargaining agreement for a boys and girls bowling coach, which is a new activity beginning in the 2019-2020 school year.

Person(s)	Action
Peggy Dieken	Accept resignation as counselor
Lisa Flynn	Approved as yearbook advisor
Jeff Milburn, Kevin Cline	Approved 3% administrative salary increase for 2019-2020
Non-certified employees	Approved 3% wage increase
Approve 2019-2020 Coaches	Approved coaching list
Tina Buske	Employed as elementary guidance counselor
Kelly Nestler	Employed as kindergarten teacher