

BACKGROUND INFORMATION – June 10, 2014

Consent Agenda Item #1d — Open Enrollments for 2014-15

Background: The following 2014-15 open enrollment and in-district transfer applications are presented for the Board's consideration. The principals have reviewed the requests and have sufficient room to accommodate the requests.

Item 1e – Student Volunteers

Background: The following students will need to be approved as volunteers for the summer internship program: Seth Gerberding, Abby Stevens, and Hannah Peterson

Item #2 – Recognitions

The following Sturgis Scoopers placed at the State AA Track Meet that was held in Sioux Falls: Jacob Simmons: 800 Meter Run (State Champion), 1600 Meter Run (State Champion); Klara Lyon: Pole Vault (State Champion); Brooke Ireland: 100 Meter Dash (4th), 400 Meter Dash (2nd), and 800 Meter Run (2nd); Allison Green: 1600 Meter Run (6th), 3200 Meter Run (5th); Tanner Weaver: High Jump (3rd); girls 4 x 800 Meter Relay (7th): Kahlie Peterson, Allison Green, Hannah Peterson, Gwyneth Simmons; boys 4 X 800 Meter Relay (3rd): Beau Ireland, Cayden Noble, Jacob Simmons, David Reinhardt.

Sturgis Brown High School teacher Kristin Wheaton has been named the South Dakota Outstanding Biology Teacher of the Year for 2014 by the National Association of Biology Teachers. This honor, given annually for the past 53 years, identifies outstanding biology teachers in all 50 states, Washington, D.C., Puerto Rico, Canada and overseas territories

Sturgis Williams Middle School student Danika Gordon is the national winner of the 2014 Block Kids Building Program Competition sponsored by the National Association of Women in Construction.

Piedmont Valley Elementary school fifth-grader Kiara Rath won a statewide essay contest sponsored by South Dakota State University College of Nursing titled "Why I Want to be a Nurse."

Students of the Month for May have been listed in each principal's report.

The Character Education word of the month for June is "Work Ethic," which involves perseverance, persistence, diligence, achievement, determination, and industriousness.

Item #3a – Financial Report

Background: The monthly Financial Report will be sent electronically by the Friday preceding the regularly scheduled board meeting. This will give Board Members an opportunity to review the report before the meeting.

Item #3b – Approval of FY14 Transportation Rate

Background: In 2012 the Meade School Board approved the three-year transportation contract with the Sturgis Bus Company. The agreement identifies the CPI (Consumer Price Index) as the inflationary adjustment for our contract amount with a minimum of 2.5% and a maximum of 6.0%. This year the CPI is less than 2.5% so the increase to our transportation contract will be at 2.5%. In the past, we have approved a five year contract with Sturgis Bus Company; the 2012 contract was for a three-year contract with a provision for a two-year extension under the provisions of the current contract.

Item #3c – SDHSAA Runoff Election

Background: We have received the ballot for the runoff election for the SDHSAA Board of Directors. The runoff election for the Large School Group Board of Education position will be between Mr. Jim Hansen of Rapid City and Ms. Sandy Klatt of Brandon Valley. The runoff election for the Division III representative will be between Mr. Mike Lodmel of Tri-Valley and Ms. Linda Whitney of Sanborn Central. Ballot information will be sent electronically by the Friday preceding the regularly scheduled board meeting. (Item #3c)

Item #3d – School Board Election Results

Background: The results of the June 3, 2014, election results show that the top three vote-getters were Courtney Mack (1829), Joe Urbaniak (1758), and Dennis Chowen (1672). The official canvass document will not be available until the Board meeting. At that time, it will be necessary for the Board to canvass and certify the results and to declare the winners.

Item #3e – Personnel

Background: The following actions are submitted:

Resignation (Certificated): Anthony Nichols, teacher, Sturgis Elementary, eff. 5/29/2014; Delayna Levin Jensen, teacher, rural, eff. 5/23/2014; Linnette Fitzgerald, teacher, Sturgis Williams Middle School, eff. for the 2014-15 school year.

Resignation (Support Staff): Una Jackson, custodian, Sturgis Elementary, eff. 6/12/2014; Sophia Meyer, playground supervisor, Piedmont Valley Elementary, eff. 6/3/2014; Danna Gummo, lunch/playground supervisor, Piedmont Valley Elementary, eff. 6/3/2014; Carlee Harris, custodian & lunchroom supervisor, Piedmont Valley Elementary, eff. 6/18/2014.

New Hires 2014-15 (Certificated): Samantha Odegaard, teacher, Sturgis Williams Middle School, \$33,225.00, eff. for the 2014-15 school year; Tyler Murphy, teacher, Sturgis Brown High School, \$37,075.00, eff. for the 2014-15 school year; Blake Proefrock, teacher, Sturgis Brown High School, \$37,075.00, eff. for the 2014-15 school year; Amy Wicks, teacher, rural, \$29,026.00, eff. for the 2014-15 school year; DeVee Dietz, teacher, Sturgis Williams Middle School, \$42,227.00, eff. for the 2014-15 school year; Tammie Foley, teacher, Sturgis Williams Middle School, \$32,175.00, eff. for the 2014-15 school year; Elizabeth Stetson, teacher, Sturgis Elementary, \$37,075.00, eff. for the 2014-15 school year.

New Hires 2014-15 (Support Staff): Rosemary Anderson, special education paraprofessional, Sturgis Williams Middle School, \$10.00/hour, eff. 8/19/2014; Annette Mackaben, special education paraprofessional, Sturgis Elementary, \$10.00/hour, eff. 8/19/2014; Holly Kopplin, administrative assistant, Sturgis Brown High School, \$11.00/hour, eff. 8/11/2014; Cheryl Delzer, administrative assistant and STOP coordinator, Whitewood Elementary, \$11.00/hour, eff. 8/11/2014.

Item 3f- SDRS Special Pay Program Unit Resolution

Background: The district must annually resolve to become a Special Pay Program unit of the South Dakota Retirement System in order to offer employees special retirement benefits. This is a routine matter that comes before the Board annually. SDRS Special Pay Program Unit Resolution information will be sent electronically by the Friday preceding the regularly scheduled board meeting. (Item #3f)

Item 3g – Award Bid for LED Lighting Projects

Background: On Tuesday, June 3, 2014 the bids for the LED capital outlay projects for SBHS parking and the Grunwald Gymnasium were opened.

Contractor	Wires R Us	Power Plus
Bid Security – 5%	Yes	yes
Grunwald Gymnasium	\$37,895	\$40,471
SBHS Parking Lot	\$80,044	\$48,904
BASE BID:	\$117,939	\$89,375

Item 3h – SWMS Change Order

Background: : The Change Order #002 has four parts: Item one is adding 78 calendar days to the original completion date, no cost change; Item 2 is for new steel columns, cost \$2,542.00; Item 3 is for eliminating smoke detectors and adding two dampers, cost \$1,868.00; Item 4 is for added cost for replacement sewer line, cost \$6,975.00. Total Change Order #002 is an additional cost of \$11,385.00. The Change Order #003 has four parts: Item 1 is for space repair and six joist supports, cost \$2,313.00; Item 2 is a second revision for Change Order #002, Items 2 and 3 for additional wall, bearing plates and solution, cost \$3,445.00; Item 3 is for additional cabling rework, fire alarm, phone, fiber, and speaker wire rework, cost \$6,745.00; and Item 4 is for new cmu piers, cost \$786.00. Total Change Order #002 is an additional cost of \$13,289.00. (Item #3h)

Item #3i – Board Policy Files GDBB, GDBC, GDBDA*, GDBE, and GDPC

Background: There have been policy changes to the Support Staff and Professional/Technical Handbook. The above policy file revisions are all due to the recent informal negotiations with employee groups. Policies will be sent electronically by the Friday preceding the regularly scheduled board meeting. (Item #3i)

Item #3j – MOU for ABC Sturgis Beginner K-3 Program

Background: We have hosted the Action for the Betterment of the Community (ABC) K-3 program at Sturgis Elementary. Our MOU is up for renewal and the provisions of the MOU are the same as in the past. (ENCL #3j)

Item #3k – MOU for ABC Sturgis Area After-School Program

Background: We have hosted the Action for the Betterment of the Community (ABC) Sturgis Area After-School Program at the Williams Administrative Building. Our MOU is up for renewal and the provisions of the MOU are the same as in the past. (ENCL #3k)

Item #3l – MOU for ABC Project SUCCESS Coordinator

Background: Action for the Betterment of the Community (ABC) has applied for and received a grant for a Project SUCCESS coordinator to work with students at SWMS and SBHS. The coordinator's office will be housed at Sturgis Brown High School. The Project SUCCESS coordinator will provide prevention and intervention based services. The Project SUCCESS coordinator will not be an employee of the Meade School District but will be under contract with ABC. (ENCL #3l)

Item #4 – Public Hearing on Proposed 2014-15 Budget – 7:00 p.m.

Background: We are required by law to hold a public hearing on our proposed budget, and we have set this date and this time for that purpose. Last month, the preliminary budget for the 2014-15 school year was presented to the Board. A presentation of the budget will be given during the first portion of the hearing and then we can open it up for comments and/or questions.

5. Program- One-To-One Handbook for SBHS

Background: Jeff Ward will give a presentation on the one-to-one technology handbook and user agreements. Information and forms will be sent electronically by the Friday preceding the regularly scheduled board meeting. (Item #5)

Item #6a – 2013-14 District Enrollments

Background: The table below is a review of the 2013-14 district-wide enrollments. This shows school specific student movement in and out of the various schools throughout the district.

School	Initial Enrollment	Enrolled during year	Left during year	Final Enrollment
Rural	87	3	1	89
WW	101	13	7	107
PVE	565	13	23	555
ST ELEM	723	44	45	722
SWMS	472	19	26	465
SBHS	696	26	74 Graduated Early 24	624
TOTALS	2644	118	200	2562

Item #6b – Board Policy Files JFCL and KKA

Background: Second reading of proposed school board policies JFCL – “Student Registered Sex Offenders” and KKA – “Non-Student Registered Sex Offenders.” Policies will be sent electronically by the Friday preceding the regularly scheduled board meeting. (Item #6b)

Item #6c – Review Employee Recognition/Retirement Reception

Background: We had a very successful employee recognition/retirement reception and would like to congratulate all our long-term employees, retirees and employees of the year.

Item #6d– Transportation Committee

Background: We have bus route requests/changes for the 2014-15 school year. I would like the Transportation Committee to meet prior to our July board meeting to review the requests. Transportation Committee consists of Bob Burns, Dennis Chowen, and Bryce Richter.

Item #6e– SBHS East Campus

Background: At the May board meeting we had a presentation from the National Guard about the possible purchase of 30-50 acres of land east of the high school. The land would be used for future National Guard expansion. The National Guard is not proposing a purchase agreement at this time. The information was strictly a discussion item.

Item #6f– SWMS Update

Background: Mr. Kirkegaard will give an update on the progress of Sturgis Williams Middle School.

Item #6g– Electronic Board Packets

Background: We have been discussing going to electronic board packets and starting with the July school board meeting we will be sending all board information electronically the Wednesday before the scheduled board meeting. We will have board packets available at the meeting for those board members wanting a paper copy. If you need any assistance with the transition please contact the superintendent's office.