

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF SCHOOL BOARD

Regular

Garretson School

7:30 p.m.

March 12, 2007

Present:

Darla deWit

Don Wagner

Todd Tilberg

Darryl Nelson

Jeff Storment

Robert Arend, Superintendent

Rod Fischer, Business Manager

Also present: Karn Barth, Ryan Van Zee,
Dorothy Williamson, Mary Tilberg, Heidi
Fink, Sherri Schoenfish, Michelle Heitkamp,
Sharon Hoon, Tana Clark, Tyler Kientopf,
Kelsey Hourscht

The meeting was called to order by President deWit at 7:30 p.m.

Action 07107: President deWit called for any additions to the Board agenda.

Superintendent Arend noted new business “h”, approval of the school calendar for 2007-2008, new business “i”, an update on the status of the comfort station, and item “j” under new business, the purchase of gas and diesel fuel, motion by Wagner, second by Tilberg, to approve the agenda as amended, motion carried.

Action 07108: Motion by Storment, second by Nelson to approve the February 12, 2007 regular meeting minutes, motion carried.

Action 07109: Motion by Nelson, second by Tilberg to approve the March, 2007 claims, motion carried.

Financial Report

The Business Manager presented a financial report of receipts, disbursements and cash balances for the month of February, 2007 as listed below:

Receipts: Taxes, \$29,010.42; County Sources, \$2,131.47; State Aid, \$158,998.70; Federal Sources, \$23,907.84; Interest, \$3,912.76; Misc., \$4,110.98; Sales, \$19,762.55.

Expenditures: Verified Claims, \$104,882.45; Salaries; Instructional Staff, \$100,619.58; Guidance, \$3,286.64; Library, \$2,996.22; Office of Principal, \$10,324.15; General Administration, \$4,916.13; Business, \$6,946.27; Central, \$20,755.94; CoCurricular, \$6,053.38; Special Education, \$19,747.95; School Lunch, \$10,244.41; Payroll Grand Total, \$185,890.67.

Cash Balances, February 28, 2007: General Fund, \$354,755.41; Capital Outlay, \$209,856.52; Special Education, \$141,115.33; Pension Fund, \$150,103.14; Bond Fund, \$189,681.15; Nutrition Services, \$8,966.79; Flex Account, \$1,489.58.

Trust and Agency Fund: Club and Class Accounts, Receipts, \$19,016.52; Expenditures, \$14,942.12; Cash Balance, \$46,504.97; Imprest Account Expenditures – Alltel, \$39.86, Service; Xcel Energy, \$5,268.20, utilities; Sam’s Club, \$43.51, food/supplies; Brad Bomhoff, \$172.00, referee; Jason Kono, \$85.00, referee; Luverne Middle School, \$56.00, entry fee; Keith Matthiesen, \$95.60, referee; Paul Ortman, \$101.00, referee; Parker School District, \$100.00, entry fee; Levi Pearson, \$70.00, referee; Steve Riswold, \$85.00, referee; Ryan Sage, \$70.00, referee; SDSU, \$40.00, entry fee; Patrick Starr, \$70.00, referee; USD Music Dept., \$110.00, entry fee; Dave Bonte, \$44.50, supplies; Percy Lieuwen, \$210.00, referee; Phil Moe, \$172.00, referee; Paul Ortman, \$86.00, referee; BP, \$31.99, fuel; Garretson Food Service; \$220.00, supplies; Andrew Terwee, \$106.24, mileage; Cash, \$378.00, state tourn. meals;

Lance Gibson, \$36.80, mileage; SDASSP, \$50.00, reg. fee; Terry Stoterau, \$36.80, mileage; Jay Swatek, \$41.96, meal exp..

Action 07110: Motion by Wagner, second by Storment to approve the February financial reports, motion carried.

Mrs. Barth reviewed the accreditation process, including steps to complete, contents and timetable. Mrs. Barth noted 32 attended the Preschool Screening and said she projects 43 students will attend Kindergarten next year. Dr. Van Zee stated he estimates 37 students will graduate the spring of 2007.

Dr. Van Zee gave a brief report on the National Secondary Principal's Convention he recently attended.

Supt. Arend reported on the following:

- a) The 2006 Garretson School District Profile and distributed copies of it.
- b) Prairie Lakes Co-op Director Janet Claymore-Ross has resigned. On April 2, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at Tri Valley Schools there will be a meeting for all school board members of the Co-op to attend.
- c) There will be no Legislative Area Meeting this year, ASBSD will distributing the information via the internet.
- d) 2007 Legislative Session and funding changes from the 2007 session.
- e) Received a thank you from Mrs. Stoltenberg for allowing her to attend a golf coaches clinic.
- f) The school district received a \$5,827.00 dividend check from EMC for Workers Comp insurance
- g) Due to snow days, the last day of school will be Wednesday, May 23, 2007.
- h) The scholarship committee met March 10, 2007 and interviewed the Sioux Falls Foundation and the Luverne, MN Dollars for Scholars organizations. The group selected the Dollars for Scholars organization to help establish a Garretson Dollars for Scholars program.

The vehicle mileage report was reviewed.

Equalization meetings will be Monday, March 19, 2007, Don Wagner and Darla deWit volunteered to be the District representative.

There will be no school board election this year as Darla deWit and Jeff Storment were the only two to file valid nominating petitions for the two open seats.

Superintendent Arend stated the District received a letter from Kieffer Flooring regarding an amount due to them in the amount of \$50,000.00 for the balance of athletic complex turf contract. The board discussed the validity of the claim.

Action 07111: Motion by Storment, second by Nelson to approve payment to Kieffer Flooring in the amount of \$50,000.00, motion carried.

Action 07112: Motion by Wagner, second by Tilberg to approve Open Enrollment Application #07-07 and Open Enrollment Application #07-08, motion carried.

Todd Tilberg and Don Wagner volunteered to represent the school district for staff negotiations.

Action 07113: Motion by Wagner, second by Nelson to approve Project Skills contract with East Dakota Cooperative for the 2007-2008 school year, motion carried.

Superintendent Arend reviewed the 2007-2008 school calendar stating the first day of school is Aug. 22, 2007 and the last day is scheduled for May 16, 2008. He also presented a tentative school calendar for the 2008-2009 school year.

Action 07114: Motion by Tilberg, second by Storment to approve the 2007-2008 school calendar as presented and the tentative 2008-2009 school calendar, motion carried.

Superintendent Arend reviewed with the Board and public plans to construct a comfort station at the athletic complex. He noted the cost is estimated at \$170,000.00, which is a 6% increase from last year's estimate. It would be constructed using only Capital Outlay

funds, and not any funds from the General Fund. Discussion was held between the Board and with members of the public, who gave a favorable opinion of constructing the comfort station.

Action 07115: Motion by Tilberg, second by Storment to approve advertising for bids the construction of a Comfort Station at the Garretson School District Athletic Complex with bids to be opened at 2:00 p.m., April 6, 2007 in the Conference Room, motion carried.

Reviewed	<u>Gas Prices 3-12-07</u>	<u>Diesel Prices 3-12-07</u>
Midway	\$2.33	\$2.47
Palisades	\$2.3432	\$2.4712

Midway Oil was awarded the gas and diesel quotes.

During Open Forum Tyler Kientopf talked about the donkeyball basketball game.

At 9:04 p.m., the Board took a ten minute recess.

Action 07116: Motion by Storment, second by Nelson to enter executive session at 9:14 p.m. to discuss staff negotiations, motion carried.

The Board came out of executive session at 10:20 p.m.

Action 07117: Motion by Nelson, second by Wagner to adjourn at 10:21 p.m., motion carried.

Approved by the Garretson Board of Education this _____ day of _____, 2007.

President

Business Manager