

BACKGROUND INFORMATION – January 14, 2019
4:00 p.m. Executive Session-Williams Administrative Building, Board Room
5:30 p.m. Regular School Board Meeting

Executive Session

Background: School board members will enter into executive session to discuss personnel (SDCL-1-25.1) and marketing/negotiations (SDCL-1-25.5).

Item 2d – Personnel

Background: The following personnel actions are submitted for the board's consideration:

New Contract (Certificated): Sidney Garner, special education teacher, Stagebarn Middle School, \$21,988.00, eff. 1/2/2019; Sandrine Brink, contract, Sturgis Brown High School, \$15,130.00, eff. 1/14/2019.

New Contract (Extracurricular): Sidney Garner, head middle school drama coach, Stagebarn Middle School, \$2,190.00, eff. for the 2018-19 school year.

New Hire (Support Staff): Tiffany Brand, food service worker, Sturgis Williams Middle School, \$10.75/hour, eff. 1/7/2019.

Change in Assignment (Support Staff): Laurie Lorius, assistant food service director, hourly rate changing to \$16.35/hour from \$14.35/hour, eff. 1/1/2019; Mica Sulzbach-Bataille, changing from lunch/playground supervisor to food service worker, Sturgis Williams Middle School, \$11.25/hour, eff. 1/22/19

Change in Assignment (Support Staff): Laurie Lorius, assistant food service director, hourly rate changing to \$16.35/hour from \$14.35/hour, eff. 1/1/2019; Mica Sulzbach-Bataille, changing from lunch/playground supervisor to food service worker, Sturgis Williams Middle School, \$11.25/hour, eff. 1/22/19

Resignation (Certificated): Courtney Pitsor, teacher, Stagebarn Middle School, teacher, eff. at the end of the 2018-19 school year.

Resignation (Support Staff): Bob Kaiser, maintenance worker, Buildings & Grounds, eff. 12/14/2018; Melissa Regan, food service worker, Sturgis Elementary, eff. 12/19/2018; Lori Leeper, food service worker, Sturgis Williams Middle School, eff. 1/18/2019; Jacqi Harlan, food service worker, Piedmont Valley Elementary, eff. 1/18/2019

Resignation (Extracurricular): Megan Jones, oral interpretation, Sturgis Brown High School, eff. at the end of the 2018-19 school year; Tim McCann, assistant high school football coach, Sturgis Brown High School, eff. at the end of the 2018-19 school year; William Carpenter, assistant high school football coach, Sturgis Brown High School, eff. at the end of the 2018-19 school year; Aaron Odegaard, head middle school football coach, Stagebarn Middle School, eff. at the end of the 2018-19 school year.

Item 2f – Volunteers

Background: The following volunteers have been submitted for board approval: Megan Mahoney, Maranda Williamson and Katie Campbell.

Item 4 - Waiver Authorization Pursuant to SDCL 3-23-3

Background: Board members and school administrators/officials are required to request a conflict of interest waiver before participating in or voting upon a decision concerning an application in which that member has a direct personal or financial interest.

Item 5 – Recognitions

The Character Education trait for the month of January is “Respect,” which includes honor, tolerance, consideration, self-respect, respect for others, and respect for property.

Item 6a – Financial Reports

Background: The monthly financial report for the board's review. (ITEM 6a)

Item 6b – School Board Policy JFA: Student Due Process Rights

Background: Third reading of School Board Policy JFA: Student Due Process Rights. (ITEM 6b)

Item 6c – Amend the 2019-20 Academic Calendar

Background: In order to have a true, meaningful data retreat for staff, the district is recommending changes to the in-service dates for the 2019-20 school year. In-service days will be Monday, August 19, Tuesday, August 20, and Wednesday, August 21, 2019. The first day of school will be Thursday, August 22 and another in-service on Monday, August 26, 2019. Martin Luther King Day will not be a school day but a holiday for staff and students. Pete Wilson will answer any questions the board might have regarding the recommended changes. (ITEM 6c)

Item 6d – 2019-20 Rural Calendar

Background: The rural schools follow a four-day school week, the district is recommending the following rural calendar for the 2019-20 school year. (ITEM 6d)

Item 6e – City of Sturgis Lease Proposal

Background: The City of Sturgis is requesting the board to consider a property lease agreement for motorsport racing and an instructional venue at the Sturgis Brown High School campus. (ITEM 6e)

Item 7a – 2020-21 Academic Calendar

Background: District staff have reviewed two options for the 2020-21 school year. The district is recommending the following 2020-21 academic calendar. The calendar will be approved at the February board meeting. (ITEM 7a)

Item 7b – Review of Capital Outlay Process Update

Background: The building committee held a meeting to discuss future capital outlay projects. Brett Burditt presented the capital outlay committee an overview of projects that will need to be done in the district and a preliminary capital outlay budget for those projects over the next five years. Brett Burditt and committee members will give an overview of that meeting. (ITEM 7b)

Item 7c – Polling Places

Background: The Meade School District will have the following polling locations for the June board election: Sturgis Community Center, Piedmont Gym, Whitewood City Hall, Hereford Hall, Union Center School, and Opal School.