

BACKGROUND INFORMATION – June 9, 2015  
 6:00 p.m. Executive Session-Williams Administrative Building, Board Room  
 6:30 p.m. Regular School Board Meeting

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**Consent Agenda Item 2d — Open Enrollments for 2015-16**

**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 4 – Recognitions**

The following Sturgis Scoopers placed at the State AA Track Meet: Jacob Simmons: 800 Meter Run (State Champion), 1600 Meter Run (State Champion); Klara Lyon: Pole Vault (State Champion); Jacob Simmons, Sam Fjelstad, Jaret Keffeler, Beau Ireland: 1600 Medley Relay (State Champion); and Jacob Simmons was named the SDHSAA MVP Boys Class AA.

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 5a – Financial Report**

**Background:** The monthly financial reports, Exhibit A, B, C, and D, for the board’s review. (ITEM 5a)

**Item 5b – Budget Supplement**

**Background:** The following is a request to supplement the capital outlay and general fund. Business Manager Brett Burditt will answer any questions at the June board meeting.

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	Budget	Amended	Change
	7/1/2014	6/9/2015	
<b>Capital Outlay Revenue</b>			
<b>CO Certificates-refinance</b>	\$0	\$2,540,000	\$2,540,000
<b>Reserves</b>		\$1,521,424	\$1,521,424
<b>Insurance funds</b>	\$0	\$778,317	\$778,317
			\$4,839,741
<b>Capital Outlay Expenditures</b>			
<b>2005 Series refinance</b>	\$0	\$2,540,000	\$2,540,000
<b>SWMS repair</b>	\$0	\$2,257,838	\$2,257,838
<b>SBHS LED</b>		\$0	\$41,903
			\$4,839,741

### **Item 5c – Approval of FY15 Transportation Rate**

**Background:** At this time we have not received the proposed transportation rate contract from Harlow's. 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%.

### **Item 5d – SDHSAA Runoff Election**

**Background:** We have received the runoff ballots for the Small School Group Board of Education and East River At-Large positions on the SDHSAA Board of Directors. (Item 5d)

### **Item 5e – School Board Election Results**

**Background:** The results of the June 2, 2015 election results show that the top three candidates were Charlie Wheeler (382), Corey Johnson (373), and Dr. Michael Isaacson (370). It will be necessary for the Board to canvass and certify the results and to declare the winners. (ITEM 5e)

### **Item 4f – Personnel**

**Background:** The following actions are submitted:

Resignation (Certificated): Tamera Miyasato, teacher, Sturgis Brown High School, eff. 5/22/2015; Tara Albers, special education teacher, Piedmont Valley Elementary, eff. 5/22/2015

Resignation (Extracurricular): Julie Nelson, assistant MS cross country coach, Sturgis Williams Middle School, eff. 5/20/2015

New Hires (Certificated): Anne Miller, special education teacher, Sturgis Williams Middle School, \$40,175.00, eff. for the 2015-16 school year; Amanda Hoffman, special education teacher, Piedmont Valley Elementary, \$33,675.00, eff. for the 2015-16 school year; Ian Walton, teacher, Sturgis Williams Middle School, \$33,675.00, eff. for the 2015-16 school year; Jennifer Mayer, teacher, Sturgis Elementary, \$41,062.00, eff. for the 2015-16 school year; Mike Hagen, teacher, Sturgis Brown High School, \$39,550.00, eff. for the 2015-16 school year; Cyle Miller, teacher, Sturgis Brown High School, \$34,674.00, eff. for the 2015-16 school year

New Hires (Support Staff): Peony Hammerquist, administrative assistant, Central Copy/Buildings & Grounds, \$11.00/hour, eff. June 9, 2015

New Hires (Extracurricular): Mike Friedel, assistant MS track coach, \$1,774.00, eff. for the 2015-16 school year; Scottie Bruch, assistant MS cross country coach, \$1,954.00, eff. for the 2015-16 school year; Mike Hagen, assistant HS football coach, \$3,102.00, and assistant HS track coach, \$3,102.00, eff. for the 2015-16 school year

Change of Assignment (Extracurricular): Rex Schrock, head MS football coach to assistant MS football coach, \$2,018.00, eff. for the 2015-16 school year; William Carpenter, assistant MS football coach to head MS football coach, \$2,085.00, eff. for the 2015-16 school year

### **Item 5g- 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. (Item 5g)

### **Item 5h – Strategic Plan**

**Background:** Dr. Rick Melmer took the results from the teacher, parent/community, and high school student surveys and the Focus Group meetings and consolidated the input/surveys into four goal areas with implementation timelines: Academic Preparation, Professional Development, Human Resources, and Facilities & Technology. There have been no changes to the strategic plan since presenting it to the Board in April. (ITEM 5h)

### **Item 5i – 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 have not changed. (ENCL 5i)

### **Item 5j – MOU for ABC 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 have changed. ABC's application for the 2015-16 fiscal year is not going to be funded through the Department of Education. ABC will re-apply in March of 2016 for a five-year funding cycle. Under the current MOU, ABC provides the district \$400/month for rent and \$200/month for custodial services. For the 2015-16 school year, ABC would like to run the program similar to the Sturgis Beginner program, and charge \$25/week for services. ABC is asking Meade School District to provide the location at no cost and not pay for custodial services for the 2015-16 school year. Liability and program instruction will not change. (ENCL 5j)

### **Item 5k – Meade County Fair Board & Ag Fest Committee Request**

**Background:** The Meade County 4-H is requesting to hold a 3-D shoot at the 4-H building and the surrounding property on Saturday, August 15, 2015. (ITEM 5k)

### **Item 5l – Meade County Fair Request**

**Background:** The Northern Hills Ag Fest Committee in coordination with the Meade County Fair Association submitted the list of activities being conducted at the Meade County Fair on August 11, 2015. (ITEM 5l)

### **Item 5m – Williams Administrative Building Window Project**

**Background:** Meade School District opened bids for the Williams Administrative Building window project on Friday, May 28, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. The following bids were received: Hagen Glass, \$93,483.00; The Glass Shop, \$95,000.00; and Architectural Specialties, \$117,135.88.

### **Item 5n – Emergency Declaration for Piedmont Valley Elementary**

**Background:** During the June 1, 2015 storm, the Piedmont Valley Elementary sustained substantial flood damage. The district needs to repair the fire/service road, repair the kindergarten/preschool playground area, concrete work by the kitchen access, and replace pea-gravel on the main playground. It will be difficult to get all projects completed if we follow the bid requirement. In order to complete the projects in a timely manner it will require the board to authorize an emergency declaration for Piedmont Valley Elementary.

**Item 5o – Actuarial Services Agreement**

**Background:** Meade School District contracts actuarial services with SilverStone Group, Incorporated. SilverStone Group, Incorporated provides cost estimates for allowing retirees to remain on the district’s health insurance program. The actuarial analysis is a federal requirement. The term of the agreement shall commence on May 1, 2015 and continue through December 31, 2018. (ITEM 5o)

**Item 5p - Summit, Inc Contract Extension**

**Background:** Due to the recent rains and flooding in the Piedmont area, Summit, Inc. has requested an extension for the Stagebarn School demolition contract to be extended to October 31, 2015. The original contract had a due date of August 31, 2015. (ITEM 5p)

**Item 6 – Public Hearing on Proposed 2015-16 Budget – 7:00 p.m.**

**Background:** We are required by law to hold a public hearing on our proposed budget. 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.

**Item 7a – 2014-15 District Enrollments**

**Background:** The table below is a review of the 2014-15 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	7	1	93
WW	123	5	9	119
PVE	563	35	31	567
ST ELEM	716	42	40	718
SWMS	467	24	28	463
SBHS	675	23	49 Early Grads 32	617
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2631</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>2577</b>

**Item 7b – Land Around Francis Case**

**Background:** The land around Francis Case building is jointly owned by the City of Sturgis and the school district. When the title for the land that the building sets on was deeded to the school, an agreement was reached between the City of Sturgis and the district, to sell the additional land and split the proceeds. There is a possibility of a daycare being built on that site, I would ask the Board to consider entering into discussions with the City of Sturgis to discuss future use of the land. (ITEM 7b)

**Item 7c – Review Employee Retirement & Recognition 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 7d – Transportation Committee**

**Background:** We have bus route requests/changes for the 2015-16 school year. The Transportation Committee will need to meet prior to our July board meeting to review the requests. Transportation Committee consists of Bob Burns, Dennis Chowen, and Joseph Urbaniak. I would like to meet on Monday, July 13, 2015 prior to the board meeting. We will meet with Andy Ellingsen, transportation manager for Harlow's, to discuss the transportation requests.

### **Item 7e – Architecture Incorporated**

**Background:** Mr. Kirkegaard will discuss specifics regarding upcoming meetings between Architecture Incorporated, district personnel and board members.

### **Item 7f – Meade County/Elk Creek Properties, Inc. TIFD #2**

**Background:** The district received notice of a Planning Commission meeting to be held on June 15, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. to review the proposed boundaries for Tax Increment Finance District #2. The attachment is a copy of the notice and the map outlining the boundaries for the TIFD #2. (ITEM 7f)