Sioux County School Board of Education  
District # 83-0500  
Regular School Board Meeting  
September 11, 2017  
6:30 P.M.  
Family Consumer Science Room-SCHS

1. Meeting called to order by President Shon Whetham at 6:30 p.m.

2. Open Meetings Act

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Attendance: Present
   Jackie Buhr  Yes
   David Howell  Yes
   Karen Huntrods  No
   Syd Meidell  Yes
   Jud Skavdahl  Yes
   Shon Whetham  Yes

5. Consent Agenda
   (1) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Meidell to accept the consent agenda:
   (2) Reading of minutes from previous meeting
   (3) Agenda as presented
   (4) Excuse absent board members
   (5) Accept treasurer’s report and approve the payment of the bills

   On roll call vote: Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-abs;
   Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes.

   Motion Carried 5-0.

6. Staff/Student Recognition - A Pat on the Back
   Ultimate Warrior Teacher Award-
   Maggie Adams- excellent job on organizing the Eclipse Day activities. Teachers were actively
   involved with the students. It was a great experience for staff and students.
   Rodney and Lela Daniels-grandparents of Hunter Gemza, 4th grade student at Chalk Butte, for
   mowing and cleaning the grounds at Chalk Butte. They also volunteered to paint the playground
   equipment.
   Chalk Butte Painting Crew-the following students, parents and staff volunteered to paint the
   playground equipment at Chalk Butte School: Lela and Rodney Daniels, Evie Feltgen, Maggie
   Feltgen, Hunter Gemza, Lacey Smith, Reata Smith, Ruby Smith, T.J. Smith, Annie Waite, Isaiah
   Waite, and Josie Waite.
   Ina Glaubius- made a $56 donation to our “Build the Track” project in memory of her late husband,
   Keith. August 22nd would have been their 56th wedding anniversary. Ina has been a great supporter of
SCS over the years and follows our stories printed in the Harrison Sun. Dr. Gies sent her a SC t-shirt which she said she will wear with pride at her church coffee fellowship meetings. Thank you Ina.

**SCS Booster Club**- thank you for providing lunch on County Track Day. We appreciate all the volunteers who helped cook and feed the students.

**SCCHS Concessions**- the September 5th concession proceeds from the Junior High Volleyball and Football games against Morrill were donated to the Lily Martin Memorial fund.

**Laura Kling**- recognized by Annette Oldaker would like to nominate Laura Kling. Annette had a very bad headache last Wednesday and Laura dumped all of the garbage for her since she couldn't make it to work. Laura has a habit of always helping without being asked.

7. **Recognition of Visitors/Individuals Wishing to Address the Board**
   - Brett Gies, Barry Swisher, Barb Engebretsen, Jessica Turbiville, David Goebel (Ameresco), Chuck Silkman (Ameresco Regional Manager), Prairie Pals 4-H Club Members-Becca Reece, Baxter Reece, Victoria Turbiville, Jaime Turbiville, Zip Starkey, Sierra Eastman, Tamika Eastman, Katie Reece, and Stephanie Starkey.
   - The Prairie Pals 4-H Club presented six books they purchased for our school library. The club held a fund raiser and used the funds to purchase books for the school library.

8. **Discussion and/or Reports**
   A.) **Superintendent’s Report**
      - **Ameresco: Building Projects**- The majority of the work is completed. The LED lights have been installed in the gym and shop. David Goebel conducts weekly walk-throughs to generate a punch list.

      - **Distance Education Incentives**- SCS received $7,853.56 for sending and receiving Distance Education Courses during the 2016-17 school year.

      - **One Act Play Sponsor**- Mrs. Adams will be the One Act Play Sponsor this school year. She replaces Mr. Rohan. Contracts need to be signed by the Vice-President.

      - **ACT Scores**- We outperformed state averages in all content areas except science this year, but even those scores were close to the state average. The scores reflect our students are well prepared for college.

      - **Sewer Line**- The sewer line from the high school hallway restrooms once again backed-up. We had Independent Plumbing scope the line. They found the line has settled in places and when not enough water flows through the line, the line plugs 80 feet from the outside of the building cleanout. They felt the best fix was to install a clean out in the custodian closet in the boys’ restroom. This would allow for a quick cleanout rather than running a line from outside the building. We can purchase a small cleanout rooter to travel the short distance from the new cleanout. Another factor contributing to the problem, may have been a lack of water traveling through the line from the toilets not being used during the summer. We are now running water through the line a couple times a week as a preventative measure.

      - **2017 State of the Schools Report**- the 2017 State of the Schools report was mailed to each household in the county. The report is summary of the current state of the district.

B.) **Principal’s Report**
   - **Topics of Discussion**- Homecoming events are scheduled for the week of September 18-22nd.
**SCHS Parent Teacher Conferences** will be held September 18th from 5:30-7:00 pm at the high school.

**Progress Reports** are due September 15th.

C.) **Board Reports**

**Strategic Plans**- She would like to see the Board set goals to help promote excellence throughout our schools. Dr. Gies and Mr. Swisher will talk with the teachers to generate ideas.

**Bus Barn Electricity**- Jud Skavdahl informed the Board that the electricity on the old fire hall which is now SCS district property was never switched from the fire district to SCS. The fire district has been paying the electrical bills since the property trade occurred. Dr. Gies will contact NEA to have the electricity placed under SCS.

D.) **Discussion Items**

**Sioux County Education Association**- The first negotiations meeting was set for November 13th before the board meeting at 4:00 pm in the SCHS library.

9. **Old Business**

   None

10. **New Business**

   A.) **Motion by Howell, seconded by Whetham to approve school board policies 5413, 5418, 4003, 1200, and Classified and Certified Application forms.**

      On roll call vote: David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-absent; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes.

      **Motion Carried 5-0.**

   B.) **Motion by Buhr, seconded by Meidell to approve Sandy Murphy as the Public Relations Newspaper Reporter for the Sioux County School District with an annual salary of $5,000.**

      On roll call vote: Karen Huntrods-absent; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes.

      **Motion Carried 5-0.**

   C.) **Motion by Buhr, seconded by Howell to approve Rebekah Parker as the SCHS custodian.**
On roll call vote: Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-absent.

Motion Carried 5-0.

11. Executive Session
   None

12. Next regular meeting is Monday, October 9th at 6:00 p.m.

13. Adjourn
   Motion by Howell, seconded by Skavdahl to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

   Motion carried by unanimous vote.
Sioux County School Board of Education
District # 83-0500
Regular School Board Meeting
August 14, 2017
6:00 P.M.
Family Consumer Science Room-SCHS

1. Meeting called to order by President Shon Whetham at 6:08 p.m.

2. Open Meetings Act

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Attendance:

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5. Consent Agenda
   (1) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Skavdahl to accept the consent agenda:
   (2) Reading of minutes from previous meeting
   (3) Agenda as presented
   (4) Excuse absent board members
   (5) Accept treasurer’s report and approve the payment of the bills

   On roll call vote: Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes;
   Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes.

   Motion Carried 6-0.

6. Staff/Student Recognition - A Pat on the Back

   Ultimate Warrior Teacher Award- Phillip Skavdahl-for all his accomplishments during the
   summer and all year long that keep the school well maintained and operating smoothly.

   Tara Dunn- received National Geographic Educator Certification. She had to complete a series of
   lessons, attend an online workshop, and submit a report and video presentation. This is a new program
   started by National Geographic and Tara is one of the first cohorts to complete the certification
   program.

   Dashiell Rohan-earned his Master of Art Degree in English from Arizona State University this
   summer. He will begin teaching college level English courses to our high school students.

7. Recognition of Visitors/Individuals Wishing to Address the Board

   Brett Gies, Barry Swisher, Phillip Skavdahl, Jessica Turbiville, Tony Gutierrez, Gary Crabtree,
   Cindy McCumbers, Tralice Ellis, Sarah Sanderson, Sheriff McCumbers
8. Discussion and/or Reports
   A.) Superintendent’s Report

Summer Camps- Track, Volleyball, Football, Wrestling, Girls Basketball athletes attended sports camps this summer. FFA members attended the COLT conference.

Summer Maintenance Projects- Several trees were trimmed by Chris Hamaker to remove dead branches. Underground sprinklers are installed and working well on the practice fields. All the major projects were completed. We still have a few minor projects and requests to be completed, but Phillip can work on them during the school year.

Ameresco: Building Projects- We are paying the $88,000 down payment this month so we can use this fiscal year’s budget. The majority of the work is completed. The remainder will be completed after hours or on weekends. Project Manager, Gary Crabtree from Ameresco was present to provide an update on the projects.

Eclipse Day- Superintendent Gies provided an agenda and all pertinent information and forms for the Total Eclipse Day. The day is organized by Mrs. Adams. Teachers and high school students will be involved and assisting with the various science stations. The country schools will be in attendance. A permission slip was sent home to parents to grant permission for their child to view the eclipse. The permission slip was recommended by the school attorney.

Student Enrollment- Pink-10, Chalk Butte-10, HGS-53, SCHS-25. District Total-98. Chalk Butte will have one 7th grader this year.

Teacher Work Days-August 14-15- Teachers returned August 14th. Administration hosted an all staff meeting to discuss various administrative issues and topics. Individual meetings were held with elementary and high school staff. Teachers work in their rooms on the 15th. Students return the on the 16th. Mr. Swisher sent out all the important start of the year forms to families last week. Mr. Swisher provided an inspirational movie to staff

Automotive Concourse- Cindy McCumbers organized an automotive concourse as a fund raiser for the high school track. It is held on August 12th at the high school. We advertised it on our school sign, the Crawford Clipper and on radio. Mrs. McCumbers presented a check in the amount of $460.00. She is still working on securing grants to pay for the track.

SCHS Roofing Project- is nearing completion. This will conclude the roof repair one year in advance of the original schedule. Rather than string the project out one additional year, we had enough funds in the building fund to complete two phases this year.

Sheriff McCumbers- will have our students use the drunk driving simulation goggles on the first day of school. He will provide additional information on the negative effects and dangers of driving while intoxicated.

Preschool Accreditation- NDE informed us that our preschool program has been approved for the 2017-18 school year. This is year 12 for approval of our program.
B.) Principal’s Report
Principal Swisher provided the following dates: September 1st will be County Track Day and school photos, September 22nd will be Homecoming and Book Fair. Jr. High sports will now be for grades 6-7-8 only. We will no longer include fifth grade students.

C.) Board Reports
Jackie Buhr- initiated the discussion regarding the board creating a strategic plan. Superintendent Gies and other members of the board will bring strategic plans from other districts as a starting point for members to review.
Karen Huntrods- shared about a grant that is being offered to pay for fourth grade students to attend the state capitol. She would like to see our students take advantage of this opportunity.

D.) Discussion Items
Open Meetings Act Reminders- Superintendent Gies provided an Open Meetings Act Reminder publication from KSB Law firm. It was intended as an article to keep us updated on how to operate our meetings within the Open Meetings Law guidelines.

SCS District Budget & Tax Resolution Meeting- will be held on September 11th at 6:00 pm in the FCS room.

9. Old Business
None

10. New Business
A.) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Skavdahl to approve school board policies 3130, 4028, 6800, and the Notification of FERPA Rights as drafted from recent legislation.

On roll call vote: David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

B.) Motion by Huntrods, seconded by Meidell to approve Andie Hubbard as the SCHS Assistant Volleyball Coach.

On roll call vote: Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.
C.) Motion by Skavdahl, seconded by Howell to approve the transfer of $40,000 from the General Fund to the Depreciation Fund.

   On roll call vote: Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes;
   Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes.

   Motion Carried 6-0.

D.) Motion by Skavdahl, seconded by Howell to approve $39,092 for the energy savings agreement with SCS and Ameresco for HES scope of work renovations.

   On roll call vote: Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes;
   David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes.

   Motion Carried 6-0.

The following was read aloud by President Whetham regarding the employment of Mr. Tony Gutierrez:
Mr. Gutierrez is employed at will. By contract his employment ends on August 31, 2017, and his employment may be terminated with or without cause upon giving two weeks’ notice or two weeks’ pay in lieu of notice. That he be relieved of his duties and paid through August 31, 2017 that his contract be terminated as of August 31, 2017; that Superintendent Gies give Mr. Gutierrez written notice which will serve as the two week notice in the contract, and that Mr. Gutierrez be required to return all school district property in his possession.

The Board will consider and take all necessary action to continue or terminate the employment contract of Tony Gutierrez. Tony has opted to discuss his employment in Open Session. As School Board President, I am informing Mr. Gutierrez and Dr. Gies that the purpose of the meeting is to address Mr. Gutierrez’s employment and the reasons that Dr. Gies has recommended terminating it. Therefore, Mr. Gutierrez and Dr. Gies will be limited to speaking about Mr. Gutierrez’s conduct. Personal attacks or statements that are outside that issue will not be permitted.

Each of you will be allowed 10 minutes to speak. You will be timed and the limit will be enforced. This is not a formal statutory hearing, therefore cross examination is not permitted. Board members may ask questions for clarification. Dr. Gies will be allowed to speak first.

If anyone present wants to speak to this issue, a time limit of two minutes will be allowed. No one from the public addressed the board.

Dr. Gies addressed the board and provided documentation. Mr. Gutierrez declined to address the board.
E.) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Howell to terminate the employment contract of Mr. Gutierrez effective immediately.

On roll call vote: David Howell-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Karen Huntrods-no; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-no.

Motion Carried 4-2.

F.) Motion by Buhr, seconded by Huntrods to approve staff personal leave requests to extend Labor Day weekend.

On roll call vote: David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

11. Executive Session
None

12. Next regular meeting is Monday, September 11th at 6:30 p.m.
The 2017-18 SCS District Budget and Tax Resolution Hearing is September 11th at 6:00 p.m.

13. Adjourn
Motion by Howell, seconded by Skavdahl to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.
1. Meeting called to order by President Shon Whetham at 6:05 p.m.

2. Open Meetings Act

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Attendance: Present Absent
   Jackie Buhr Yes
   David Howell No X
   Karen Huntrods Yes
   Syd Meidell Yes
   Jud Skavdahl Yes
   Shon Whetham Yes

5. Consent Agenda
   (1) Motion by Huntrods, seconded by Skavdahl to accept the consent agenda:
   (2) Reading of minutes from previous meeting
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   (4) Excuse absent board members
   (5) Accept treasurer’s report and approve the payment of the bills

   On roll call vote: Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-absent; Karen Huntrods-yes;
   Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes.

   Motion Carried 5-0.

6. Staff/Student Recognition - A Pat on the Back
   Ultimate Warrior Teacher Award- None due summer vacation.

7. Recognition of Visitors/Individuals Wishing to Address the Board
   Brett Gies, Tralice Ellis, Sarah Sanderson, Gary Crabtree, Tyler Glesnae

8. Discussion and/or Reports
   A.) Superintendent’s Report
      Liability Insurance- Superintendent Gies spoke with Tim Kreider about school insurance
      coverage when outside parties use our facilities. According to Kreider, we do not need an
      additional rider to cover parties using our facilities. The only time we are not covered is if we are
      negligent in the care of our equipment or facility. For example, if we know the basketball rim is
      broken and we let people use it, then we could possibly be considered to be negligent if someone
      was injured as a result of the broken rim. He felt our facilities are kept in good reasonable
condition and have nothing to be concerned about. Tim also stated that people using the weight room unsupervised or playing volleyball, etc. is nothing to be concerned about. The rule of thumb is: If there is not negligence then we have no obligation should someone get injured.

**Time Management System (Time Clock)** – Superintendent Gies approved the purchase a new time management system for classified employees to record and track their time. Mr. Windsor conducted extensive research and participated in a webinar training before we made the decision to purchase it. This system will save Paul several man hours per week. As we factored the time he spent calculating time cards, this purchase made sense. We will have a monthly fee of $30 per month, an annual fee of $203 which will provide updates to the system, a set-up fee of $600, and the two time clocks are $2,030. The clocks have an expected life span of 10 years. The initial costs up front divided over the years is much less than the time Paul spends each week entering time cards. The new system will calculate time, and sends us notices if an employee did not enter their time. Employees will not be able to alter their time as they do now by forgetting to punch in and out etc.

**Building Surge Protector**: Protectors will be installed at each building. NEA will install the protectors for approximately $250 at the Harrison Elementary School and Sioux County High School.

**Summer Maintenance Projects**: The summer maintenance crew is making good progress in completing all projects. The Ag/shop walls and floor have been painted. Underground sprinklers with timers have been installed at the grade school and high school. The FCS room cabinets look great. We are waiting on the counter tops. The crew is making rounds to the country schools to mow and complete projects at each of those sites.

**Ameresco: Building Projects**: All paperwork has been completed and submitted. The loan was approved by Sandhills Bank. Construction is scheduled to begin after July 4th at the grade school. Adam Edmund reviewed the contract and lease agreement documents and gave his approval. Superintendent Gies, Phillip Skavdahl and Paul Windsor will meet with the project manager and construction superintendents to plan the construction and work out all logistic details July 11th.

**Annual Building and Safety Inspection**: The inspection and report were conducted by Casper Ningen. Recommendations include: HES-the entrance to the building needs concrete repair work; SCHS: the ramp leading to the weight room is too steep, and the concrete sidewalk on the east side of the building needs repaired; Pink and Chalk Butte- the fire extinguishers needs serviced more frequently. Numerous strengths and commendations were noted in the report.

**State Aide**: SCS will receive $10,627.00 in state in 2017-18 school year. Last year we did not receive any state aide. A new formula was enacted for 2017-18. Several factors (Needs) such as Limited English Proficiency students, poverty level, transportation needs, summer school program, student growth, new school construction, early childhood enrollment, fall student enrollment, and average daily attendance, are compared against (Receipts) such as local property tax revenue, special receipts, and distance education allowance are factored into a formula developed by the State to determine State Aide.

**B.) Principal’s Report**

None
C.) **Board Reports**  
President Whetham reported that former employee Elsie Rose passed away.

D.) **Discussion Items**  
**Budget Workshop** - The annual budget workshop was set for 4:00 pm on August 14th, 2017 in the SCHS FCS room. Paul Windsor and Superintendent Gies have the budget completed and have passed it onto the NDE for review. The budget will also be given to Vince Ryan, the school financial accountant for further review.

9. **Old Business**  
None

10. **New Business**

A.) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Buhr to approve school board policies 1300-1400 Community Relations.

On roll call vote: David Howell-absent; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes.

Motion Carried 5-0.

B.) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Skavdahl to approve the milk bid agreement submitted by Dean’s Foods for the 2017-18 school year.

On roll call vote: Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-absent.

Motion Carried 5-0.

C.) Motion by Meidell, seconded by Buhr to approve the 2017-18 school year propane bid submitted by Westco for the purchase of 29,000 gallons at $0.890 per gallon.

On roll call vote: Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-absent; Karen Huntrods-yes.

Motion Carried 5-0.
D.) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Huntrods to approve the bid for the sale of the snow blower to Barry Stewart in the amount of $130.00.

    On roll call vote: Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-absent; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes.

    Motion Carried 5-0.

E.) Motion by Buhr, seconded by Skavdahl to approve the bid for the sale of the metal cutting band saw to Barry Stewart in the amount of $330.00.

    On roll call vote: Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-absent; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes.

    Motion Carried 5-0.

11. Executive Session
    None

12. Next regular meeting is Monday, August 14th at 6:00 p.m.
    The 2017-18 school year budget workshop is August 14th at 4:00 p.m.

13. Adjourn
    Motion by Huntrods, seconded by Meidell to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

    Motion carried by unanimous vote.
1. Meeting called to order by President Shon Whetham at 6:14 p.m.

2. Open Meetings Act

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Attendance: Present
   Jackie Buhr    No
   David Howell  Yes
   Karen Huntrods Yes
   Syd Meidell   Yes
   Jud Skavdahl  Yes (Left the meeting at 7:15 pm)
   Shon Whetham  Yes

5. Consent Agenda
   (1) Motion by Howell, seconded by Meidell to accept the consent agenda:
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   (5) Accept treasurer’s report and approve the payment of the bills

   On roll call vote: Jackie Buhr-absent; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes;
   Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes.

   Motion Carried 5-0.

6. Staff/Student Recognition - A Pat on the Back
   Ultimate Warrior Teaching Award-
   State Track Team- Morgan Edmund and Jordan Buhr competed in the State Track Meet. Jordan
   earned 7\textsuperscript{th} place and a medal in the long jump.
   National History Day- Angela Johnson, Tommy Watson, and Morgan Edmund will compete at
   National History Day this week. Sponsor Mr. Valenta and their parents will accompany them on the
   trip.
   Jack Skavdahl- thank you to Jack Skavdahl for building a picnic table and donating it to SCHS. We
   will all appreciate a place to sit and eat outside the high school.

7. Recognition of Visitors/Individuals Wishing to Address the Board
   Brett Gies, David Goebel (engineer with Ameresco), Jessica Turbiville
8. Discussion and/or Reports
A.) Superintendent’s Report

EMC Insurance Company & Kreider Insurance Agency - gave us a dividend of $1,322.00 for our efforts in accident prevention and good claim experience.

Track Update - Mrs. McCumbers, Mr. Swisher and Dr. Gies met with the Sioux County Foundation to ask for financial support in building the track. We hope to receive a financial amount yet to be determined. And, after reviewing the plans and how it will fit into our current location, we determined the plans need to be revised to include a three lane track with a fourth sprint lane added to one side will be best. Fisher Tracks is now being consulted and has made recommendations to reduce the scope and cost of the project. More details will be released at a later date. Reducing the size of the track will also help in securing funds for the project and make it easier to become a reality. Mrs. McCumbers believes the track will be built in the summer of 2018.

Master Contract - the Master Contract was updated to reflect the change in insurance coverage. Our dental now covers 100%A, 75%B and 50%C. the past coverage was 80%A & B and 50%C. All this means is that employees have better dental coverage as the insurance company is promoting preventative care which reduces bigger costs. The change occurs with signatures by Dash Rohan, Association President and Shon Whetham, Board President.

ACT Scores - our three juniors scored very well on the ACT. The ACT was the state assessment as required by NDE. It is difficult to share more information because of the small number of students taking the assessment other than they met or exceeded state averages. The scores reflect their readiness and ability to complete college level work.

Fierce Conversations - Dr. Gies attended a two day training entitled Fierce Conversations. It provided training on how to have those difficult conversations we experience in the work force. The training was hosted by ESU #13 in Scottsbluff.

Ag/Shop Makeover - The summer maintenance workers, Riley Ellis, Garrett Ellis and Joel Parker power washed and painted the walls and floors of the Ag/Shop area. It has been several years since the walls have been cleaned and painted. It looks great.

NDE Grade Level Assessments - NDE has contracted with NWEA to administer the Measures of Academic Progress at grades 3-8 and 11 in the content areas of Reading, Math, Language and Science in grades 5 and 8 beginning in the 2017-18 school year. The assessments can be administered three times per year. The spring assessment will be used for accountability purposes. The State Board of Education authorized payment of the assessment for all districts therefore we will not be assessed any fees for administration.

2017-18 Accreditation - The State Board of Education approved SCS for the 2017-18 school year. We have met all standards and requirements as set forth in Rule 10.

FCS Consumer Science Room - work has begun. The counter tops and ovens have been ordered. The ceiling tiles and tracks will be painted white, the walls painted a light tan to match the counters and cabinets, new plumbing, deep sink and faucets will be installed as well as a new standing cabinet.
B.) Principal's Report
   None

C.) Board Reports
   None

D.) Discussion Items
   Old Snow Blower and Ban Saw- It was decided to retire the old walk behind snow blower and a ban saw that is no longer being used. Dispersal will be through public notice and sealed bids.

9. Old Business
   None

10. New Business

   A.) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Meidell to approve school board policies 1100-1120 Community Relations.

       On roll call vote: David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes (by proxy); Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-absent.

       Motion Carried 5-0.

   B.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Huntrods to approve the transfer of $88,000 from the General Fund to the Depreciation Fund.

       On roll call vote: Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes (by proxy); Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-absent; David Howell-yes.

       Motion Carried 5-0.

   C.) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Howell to approve the transfer of $16,000 from the General Fund to the Activities Fund.

       On roll call vote: Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes (by proxy); Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-absent; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes.

       Motion Carried 5-0.
D.) Motion by Meidell, seconded by Huntrods to approve the 2017-18 After School Program, Preschool, Elementary, Junior High, Secondary, and Staff Handbooks.

On roll call vote: Jud Skavdahl-yes (by proxy); Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-absent; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes.

Motion Carried 5-0.

E.) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Meidell to approve $24,000 to purchase technology hardware and software.

On roll call vote: Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-absent; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes (by proxy).

Motion Carried 5-0.

F.) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Huntrods to approve the adoption of a resolution for the award of the Energy Services Agreement to Ameresco, the energy services company previously selected by the Board to develop and implement a project for energy conservation and facility improvements.

On roll call vote: Jackie Buhr-absent; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes.

Motion Carried 5-0.

Board Resolution (Read aloud by President Whetham):

WHEREAS, the State Legislature has enacted Nebraska Statute 66-1062 authorizing any local government unit to enter into an energy financing contract with a qualified provider to implement energy conservation measures inclusive of facility alteration or capital equipment acquisition designed to reduce energy, utility, or water consumption, and/or reduce other operating or capital costs, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Sioux County School District has received an Investment Grade Audit from Ameresco, Inc. (a company that represents itself to be a qualified provider), that contained recommendations for energy conservation and facility improvement measures, and presented energy and operational or capital cost savings attributable to the measures, and

WHEREAS, the parties have negotiated the terms of a proposed energy financing contract in the form of an Energy Services Agreement and such Agreement offered by Ameresco contains a guaranty of energy savings.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sioux County School District Board of Education does hereby authorize Ameresco, Inc. to provide the scope of services identified in the Energy Services Agreement dated June 12, 2017, in the amount not to exceed Four Hundred Seventy-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Twelve and NO/100 Dollars ($478,612.00).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF this resolution is hereby adopted on this 12th day of June 2017.

G.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Skavdahl to approve a resolution to initiate financing of the project awarded to Ameresco, Inc.

   On roll call vote: David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-absent.

   Motion Carried 5-0.

Board Resolution (Read aloud by President Whetham):

WHEREAS, the School Board of Sioux County School District in Harrison, Nebraska wishes to consult with All American Investment Group, LLC to establish a financing package together with Sandhills State Bank for an energy savings and capital improvement project to be provided by Ameresco, Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the School Board of Sioux County Schools does hereby authorize All American Investment Group to provide a financing package together with Sandhills State Bank for an energy savings and a capital improvement project to be provided by Ameresco, Inc. It is anticipated that the financing of the project will be in an amount of $394,000 or less, with a finance term of 20 years, after a down payment of no more than $90,000 has been applied to the project.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF this resolution is hereby adopted on this 12th day of June 2017.

11. Executive Session
A.) Motion by Huntrods seconded by Howell to move into Executive Session at 8:03 pm to discuss personnel issues.

   On roll call vote: David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-absent; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-absent.

   Motion Carried 4-0.

The President must now state the reason for the closed session. We will move into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues.
B.) Motion by Whetham seconded by Huntrods to move out of Executive Session at 8:34 pm.

   On roll call vote: Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-absent; 
   Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-absent; David Howell-yes.

   Motion Carried 4-0.

12. Next regular meeting is Monday, July 10th at 6:00 p.m.

13. Adjourn
   Motion by Howell, seconded by Whetham to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

   Motion carried by unanimous vote.
Sioux County School Board of Education  
District # 83-0500  
Regular School Board Meeting  
May 8, 2017  
6:00 P.M.  
Family Consumer Science Room-SCHS

1. Meeting called to order by Vice-President Syd Meidell at 6:01 p.m.

2. Open Meetings Act

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Attendance:  
   Present  
   Absent  
   Jackie Buhr  Yes  
   David Howell  Yes  
   Karen Huntrods  Yes  
   Syd Meidell  Yes  
   Jud Skavdahl  Yes  
   Shon Whetham  No

5. Consent Agenda  
   (1) Motion by Howell, seconded by Skavdahl to accept the consent agenda:  
   (2) Reading of minutes from previous meeting  
   (3) Agenda as presented  
   (4) Excuse absent board members  
   (5) Accept treasurer’s report and approve the payment of the bills

   On roll call vote: Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes;  
   Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-abs.

   Motion Carried 5-0.

6. Staff/Student Recognition - A Pat on the Back  
   Ultimate Warrior Teacher Award- Ms. Brown  
   Baxter Reece- was named the third place winner for his drawing in the Junior Duck Stamp  
   competition in the K-3 Division.  
   Junior High Girls Track Team- won the Panhandle Conference track meet. Competitors were: Sky  
   Edmund, Jordon Heckert, Kodie Rempp, Kailey Klein, and Megan Comstock.  
   Ms. Brown-recognized by Annette Oldaker- She would like to recognize Ms.Brown and her 3-4 grade  
   class for the wonderful book that the class put together and had published!! The party for the book  
   signing was a wonderful idea and it made the kids feel very good about themselves because they are  
   "authors.”  
   Mrs. Dunn-recognized by Mrs. Ellicott-Thank you to Tara Dunn and the after school program  
   students Becca Reece, Baxter Reece, Weston Schaefer, and Boone Button, for helping clean and  
   organize the preschool toys.
President’s Award for Educational Excellence: Cade Zurcher, Tyler Smith, Julie Skavdahl, Jhett Skavdahl, Rebecca Reece, Skylar Edmund, Kodie Rempp, Suzanna Parker, Morgan Edmund, Faith Nunn, Grace Skavdahl, Angela Johnson, and Devyn Sanderson. To be eligible for the President’s Award, students must score in the 90th percentile in reading and math and earn at least a 3.5 GPA.

7. Recognition of Visitors/Individuals Wishing to Address the Board
   Brett Gies, Barry Swisher, Sarah Sanderson, Barb Engebretsen, Dashiell Rohan, Jessica Turbiville, Cynthia Kaan, David Goebel, Rebecca Brown, Cindy McCumbers, Tralice Ellis

Non-Public School Collaboration Meeting- Vice-President Meidell asked if anyone was present for the meeting. Since no one was in attendance, regular school board meeting was ensued.

8. Discussion and/or Reports
   A.) Superintendent’s Report
      Health Insurance Premium- BC/BS will increase 7.9% effective September 1, 2017. We need to amend the 2017-18 Master Agreement to reflect the change in dental insurance. We can do this without negotiations due to the clause we have in the Master Agreement that allows us to adjust the agreement when insurance premiums change.

      Track Update- the plans have been drafted for a six lane track. Mrs. McCumbers is in the process of securing grants and donations. The plans are still in the initial planning stage.

      Teacher Appreciation Certificates-$20 gift certificates to Harrison area businesses were given to all staff for teacher appreciation week.

   B.) Principal’s Report
      School Improvement Report- the external team gave high commendations to the school district. The report has been filed with NDE.

   C.) Board Reports
      Jud Skavdahl- commented on the graduation ceremony. He thought the ceremony was very nice and the guest speaker did a great job.

   D.) Discussion Items
      Ameresco Engineering- David Goebel presented to the Board. Performance Contracting Engineering options were presented to the Board for site improvements and energy savings upgrades at the high school and Harrison Elementary School. The Board agreed to move forward with the project.

9. Old Business
   None

10. New Business
    A.) Motion by Huntrods, seconded by Howell to approve school board policies 9330 Parliamentary Procedure and 1000-1080 Community Relations with revisions.
On roll call vote: David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-abs; Jackie Buhr-yes.

Motion Carried 5-0.

B.) Motion by Skavdahl, seconded by Huntrods to approve the 2017-18 Extra Duty Assignments.

On roll call vote: Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-abs; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes.

Motion Carried 5-0.

C.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Meidell to approve the hiring of Ann Waite as the primary grades teacher at Chalk Butte.

On roll call vote: Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-abs; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes.

Motion Carried 5-0.

Executive Session
None

11. Next regular meeting is Monday, June 12th at 6:00 p.m.

12. Adjourn
   Motion by Howell, seconded by Skavdahl to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

   Motion carried by unanimous vote.
1. Meeting called to order by President Shon Whetham at 6:02 p.m.

2. Open Meetings Act

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Attendance:

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5. Consent Agenda

   (1) Motion by Howell, seconded by Meidell to accept the consent agenda:
   (2) Reading of minutes from previous meeting
   (3) Agenda as presented
   (4) Excuse absent board members
   (5) Accept treasurer’s report and approve the payment of the bills

   On roll call vote: Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes.

   Motion Carried 6-0.

6. Staff/Student Recognition - A Pat on the Back

   Ultimate Warrior Teacher Award-
   Mr. Brase- The band, choir and vocal trio of Skylar Dean, Zip Starkey and Suzanna Parker all received 2 excellent ratings. Angela Johnson and Rachel Ellis both received superior ratings on their flute solos. Rachel Ellis and Claire Buhr received a 1 on their sax/flute duet. Additionally, Rachel Ellis was awarded the outstanding woodwind solo of the day.
   Allen McCumbers- tied for 10th place on the World History Test at the Chadron State College Scholastic Day.
   Joel Parker & Mrs. Hunter- Joel earned 1st place at State FFA Food Science. He qualified for Nationals.
   Zip Starkey & Cyndi Kaan are recognized by Mrs. Dunn for helping with the After School Program. Zip has volunteered her time on several occasions to help Mrs. Dunn and the students. Mrs. Kaan reads to students and takes time to discuss the story which helping them not only with fluency but also comprehension.

Quiz Bowl - Conference Champions included Captain Trey Thayer, Joel Parker, Jebb Ginkens, Tommy Watson, and Allen McCumbers. Mr. Rohan wants to thank all staff and Mr. Swisher for staying late on a Friday to help with the contest and for organizing the event.

Mrs. Engebretsen - Our students placed really high on the WNCC math placement test. The WNCC proctor informed us that our students scored higher than most students that have been tested in the area. Our students scored high enough to be placed in advanced trigonometry classes at WNCC.

7. Recognition of Visitors/Individuals Wishing to Address the Board
   Brett Gies, Barry Swisher, Sandy Murphy, Barb Engebretsen, Dash Rohan, Jessica Turbiville, Tralice Ellis, Sarah Sanderson
   Bill Wilson, Jim Fox, Peggy Fox, and JW Geiser; addressed the Board requesting them to allow FFA students to attend the National FFA Convention. They would like all FFA students the opportunity to attend the convention at least once during their high school tenure. Principal Swisher and Mrs. Hunter will draft language and guidelines.

8. Discussion and/or Reports
   A.) Superintendent’s Report
   FFA Labor Auction - the FFA Labor Auction was a well-organized event. The event was well attended and supported by the community. Good job by Mrs. Hunter and her students for putting on the event. They raised $16,500.

   2017-18 Student Enrollment Projections - We project 98 students next fall. We are ending this year at 103 students district wide.

   Bank Account Signatures - Shon, Jackie, David, and Syd signed new signature forms on bank accounts.

   Diploma Signatures - Diplomas were signed. Graduation is Saturday, April 29th at 2:00 pm.

   Chalk Butte Teacher Vacancy - We have had four applicants thus far. The vacancies were advertised in the Crawford, Scottsbluff and Chadron newspapers. The job is also posted on the Teach in Nebraska website. Interviews will be scheduled within the next couple of weeks.

   Pennies for Patients - Mrs. Edmund spearheaded the drive for students and staff to donate to Pennies for Patients. Our students raised $709.50. Mrs. Edmund emailed daily reminders and informational facts to encourage students to donate. The third and fourth grades raised the largest amount-$212.69 which earns them a pizza party. The high school exceeded their goal. They will be rewarded with an ice cream party and throw pies in high school teacher’s faces.

   HES Engineering Project - David Goebel from Ameresco reports that he is securing contractor quotes with Crawford Schools which will allow us to piggyback off their scope of work. We should have a more detailed report for the May meeting.

   B.) Principal’s Report
   School Improvement Review - the highlights of the external school improvement visit was shared. We received a favorable report with several commendations.
Standard Response Protocol - Mr. Swisher will share information about the protocol at the Spring Concert, Tuesday, April 11th. All schools across the state are implementing the Standard Response Protocol procedure to help ensure safety of students, staff and patrons in the case of an emergency.

Calendar of Events - Spring Concert: April 11th, All School Banquet: April 27th, Graduation: April 29th.

C.) Board Reports

Shon Whetham - inquired about plans the school has in place for the August 21st Eclipse Day. He expressed concerns about the projected large number of people who may be in Harrison, the impact on our school facilities it could have, and the safety of our children we may encounter. The administration has decided to not send children to Agate for the day. Mrs. Adams is arranging for a science/eclipse day activities for all SC students hosted at the high school. The administration feels it would allow for a safer environment for students to be at our school rather than mixed in with visitors at Agate.

Karen Huntrods - expressed her concern for safety and possible liability when Phillip Skavdahl allows his grandson to operate the riding lawn mower. Administration will talk with Phillip to encourage stopping this practice.

Shon Whetham - shared an informational newsletter from Morrill Schools reporting the State of Schools report. He thought it would be a good for SCS to publish a similar report for all patrons.

Karen Huntrods - reported that she has been contacted by patrons regarding the projected cost of the all-weather track that has been proposed for SCHS. It was explained that the cost of the project will be covered through grants and donations. She also shared that some patrons did not see the value in a track and they would rather have their sidewalks repaired. It was explained that the grant monies are designated for use according to entities.

D.) Discussion Items

HES See Saw - the see saw is broken. To replace the broken part will cost as much as a new see saw. The see-saw was purchased in 2012 at a cost of $2,422.00. The Board gave approval to remove the see-saw and recycle the metal.

Music Room Heating - the leaking steam pipe was cut and capped. We brought a welder out of Scottsbluff to do the welding and repair work. The room is without heat now. A line can be redirected into the room by going through the ceiling. Snell Services inspected the line and submitted a bid of $3,384.00 to repair it. Independent Plumbing has been contacted to submit a bid as well. If Independent Plumbing submits a lower bid, then that bid will be accepted.

Music Room Ceiling and Lights - Phillip would like to drop the ceiling and install new LED light fixtures. An estimate for ceiling materials is $1,600. LED light fixtures would be an additional cost at $155 each. We need 9 lights. Total estimated cost is $3,000.00.

Ag/Shop Lights - The shop lights have not been replaced. New LED lights would cost $236 each. We need about 10 lights so a total of $2,360.00. The Board decided to put a hold on replacing these lights until we hear from Ameresco and the projects they are recommending.

Robert’s Rules of Order - School attorney’s in Lincoln published their thoughts on following Robert’s Rules of Order. This is timely as we just discussed this at our last meeting. The Board held a discussion reviewing the publication.

Kindergarten Schedule - Four day program versus a five day program. Superintendent Gies gave a scenario of a kindergarten student whose parents opted to have their child attend school 4-days
rather than 5-days per week. In all, the student missed 40 days of school. Gies discussed the impact those 40 days of lost instruction time could have on a student.

9. Old Business
   None

10. New Business

A.) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Huntrods to approve school board policies 9300-9370-excluding 9330-Bylaws of the Board-Meetings with revisions.

   On roll call vote: David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes.

   Motion Carried 6-0.

B.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Buhr to approve accepting graduate level courses for Coach Hamilton for advancement on the salary schedule.

   On roll call vote: Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes.

   Motion Carried 6-0.

C.) Motion by Skavdahl, seconded by Huntrods to approve the 2017-18 classified salary schedule with a three percent raise to all classified employees.

   On roll call vote: Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes.

   Motion Carried 6-0.

D.) Motion by Huntrods, seconded by Whetham to approve the 2017-18 Special Education Agreement with ESU #13.

   On roll call vote: Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes.

   Motion Carried 6-0.
Executive Session

A.) Motion by Skavdahl, seconded by Buhr to move into Executive Session at 8:24 p.m. to discuss personnel issues.

On roll call vote: Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes;

Motion Carried 6-0.

The President must now state the reason for the closed session immediately prior to going into the closed session. We will move into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues.

B.) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Howell to move out of Executive Session at 8:51 p.m.

On roll call vote: Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

C.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Skavdahl to move into Executive Session at 8:52 p.m. to discuss personnel issues.

On roll call vote: David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

The President must now state the reason for the closed session immediately prior to going into the closed session. We will move into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues.

D.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Skavdahl to move out of Executive Session at 9:13 p.m.
On roll call vote: Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

E.) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Skavdahl to move into Executive Session at 9:15 pm to discuss the superintendent’s evaluation.

On roll call vote: Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

The President must now state the reason for the closed session immediately prior to going into the closed session. We will move into Executive Session to discuss the superintendent’s evaluation.

F.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Skavdahl to move out of Executive Session at 9:27 p.m.

On roll call vote: Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

12. Next regular meeting is Monday, May 8th at 6:00 p.m.

13. Adjourn

    Motion by Howell, seconded by Skavdahl to adjourn the meeting at 9:28 p.m.

    Motion carried by unanimous vote.
Sioux County School Board of Education  
District # 83-0500  
Regular School Board Meeting  
March 13, 2017  
6:00 P.M.  
Family Consumer Science Room-SCHS

1. Meeting called to order by President Shon Whetham at 6:03 p.m.

2. Open Meetings Act

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Attendance:  
   Present:  
   Jackie Buhr: Yes  
   David Howell: Yes  
   Karen Huntrods: Yes  
   Syd Meidell: Yes  
   Jud Skavdahl: Yes  
   Shon Whetham: Yes  
   Absent:  

5. Consent Agenda  
   (1) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Skavdahl to accept the consent agenda:  
   (2) Reading of minutes from previous meeting  
   (3) Agenda as presented  
   (4) Excuse absent board members  
   (5) Accept treasurer’s report and approve the payment of the bills

   On roll call vote: Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes;  
   Syd Meidell-yes; Judd Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes.

   Motion Carried 6-0.

6. Staff/Student Recognition - A Pat on the Back  
   Ultimate Warrior Teacher Award-Mr. Valenta  
Mrs. Dunn- is a contributing member of the Nebraska Atlas Action Planning Committee to develop  
the Student Atlas of Nebraska which is a division of the Geographic Educators of Nebraska. She will  
also be attending a planning meeting in Omaha.  
High School Students, Staff and Graduates- our students received a big compliment for their  
outstanding writing skills which was required to receive a scholarship from NEA. Since the writing  
was so outstanding, NEA offered our students more scholarships than was planned. NEA also  
recognized our staff for writing letters of support for our students which was a part of the application  
process. Ten scholarships were awarded which is more than any in previous years.  
Phillip Skavdahl and Dr. Gies-recognized by Mr. Valenta. Phillip cleared the discuss throwing area  
and Dr. Gies cleared the track of snow so athletes could begin practice rather than waiting for the  
snow to melt off.
Jean Wegelin-ESU Speech Pathologist recognized by Mr. Hecht for outstanding service to the Chalk Butte students. Mr. Hecht is seeing tremendous gains in the students Mrs. Wegelin works with. She even works with students that are not on her case load.

Panhandle Conference Speech-Jordan Buhr-Champion in Humorous Prose
Claire Buhr/Rachel Ellis-Champion in Duet Acting
Trey Thayer-Champion in Extemporaneous Speaking
Angela Johnson- Champion in Entertainment Speaking
Shirley Wade- Champion in Serious Prose
Morgan Edmund-2nd place in Extemporaneous Speaking & 2nd place in Persuasive Speaking
Grace Skavdahl-2nd place in Serious Prose & 3rd place in Persuasive Speaking
Jack Skavdahl-2nd place in Poetry Interpretation

The team won the Conference Championship over Hemingford and Crawford.

7. Recognition of Visitors/Individuals Wishing to Address the Board
Brett Gies, Barry Swisher, Sandy Murphy, Barb Engebretsen, Dash Rohan, Dan Valenta, Jessica Turbiville, Cynthia Kaan, Jennifer Skavdahl, Cindy McCumbers
Cindy McCumbers- presented preliminary plans to build an all-weather track at the high school. The initial plans indicate an all-weather track would cost between $280,000 and $380,000. The plans include a new long jump pit and bleachers. The track would benefit our athletes and would be open to the public to use. Ms. McCumbers asked the Board to approve $9,500 payable to the engineers to develop and finalize the plans. Ms. McCumbers has expertise in writing grants and securing funding and feels confident we can receive grants and donations to pay for the project. The Board asked a few questions and asked Track Coach Valenta his opinion on the project. He is in favor of the project and gave encouraging testimony how the track could greatly benefit the students and community.

8. Discussion and/or Reports
A.) Superintendent’s Report
Chadron Record Advertisement- I committed to placing an advertisement in the Education edition of the Chadron Record. It will be a one-half page ad similar to last year. This year’s feature story will be about our After School Program.

Eclipse Day, August 21, 2017-Maggie Adams is leading a full day of science activities on the Eclipse Day in August. All students will be involved and will be hosted at the high school. She is planning six science stations for elementary grade students with the high school students monitoring and assisting them. I ordered special viewing glasses for all students and staff. 1st Security Bank will provide lunch.

Pat Andersen-is retiring at the end of this school year. She agreed to allow us to host a retirement party for her. Details to follow at a later date.

Grade 3-4 Writing Project-Ms. Brown has taken on a very aggressive writing project with her students. High school and elementary staff have volunteered to be mentors to students. The students and staff communicate through email and in face to face meeting to discuss the student’s writing and give guidance on how to make it better. The project will culminate with a published book with all the students’ stories. I committed to purchasing one book per student at the cost of $20.00 per book. It will be a good keepsake. The student I am working with is Blaise Lang. Blaise and I traded an ice breaker email to get to know each other better, her email was cute. Ms. Brown is doing a great job of communicating with parents and keeping them informed.

Employment Letters of Intent- were distributed to teachers. Letters of intent are due back by March 16th. Once all letters are returned, I will begin developing placement on the salary schedule, contracts
will be offered and then placement will be assigned. To the best of my knowledge, the only open position will be at Chalk Butte to replace Pat. Regular contracts rollover and do not need Board approval.

**ESU Cooperative Purchasing**- Paul will be training all staff on how to order supplies for the 2017-18 school year through the ESU Cooperative Purchasing program. Staff will order supplies on-line. Paul and I will review them before submission. We are putting responsibility on the teacher which is a change over previous years when Gloria did all the input of the orders. All orders are due April 6th.

**Mr. Rohan**- will finish his Master’s Degree in English this summer. We have begun talking to colleges about offering college level English courses to juniors and seniors next fall. A student will be able to obtain high school credits as well as college credits for English Comp I & II. Students who select to take the college level courses will be held to college level syllabi and college level standards of work.

**FFA Contest Summary**- At our Kimball contest we won the Jr. Livestock Judging Contest. Tristan Hunter was top individual. Joel Parker placed 2nd in Meat Judging and the team qualified placing 3rd. We will be taking 17 kids that qualified to the state convention in numerous areas. In order to qualify in the speaking events you must be in the top two, other contests you must place in the top 25 percent. This year has an extraordinary group of seniors that have lead this FFA Chapter in qualifying in numerous events. Students will compete in: Extemporaneous Speaking, Cooperative Speaking, Ag Sales, Livestock Management, Meats Judging, Vet Science, Jr Livestock Judging, Food Science, and Farm and Ranch Management.

**Goal Posts**- We are purchasing new goal posts for the football field. The cost is $2,155.00. We will install the posts ourselves and remove the old ones. The current posts are very weak and rotted out.

**Snow blower**- 21st Century Equipment came here to inspect the snow blower and make recommendations on how it can be repaired/maintained to prevent the break downs. The mechanic made adjustments to the skid plates, blower attachment linkage, and use grade 8 bolts. He also demonstrated how to use the machine properly. He will be back to show Phillip how to remove the snow blower and attach the grass mower deck properly.

**Propane Consumption**- we have 10,431 gallons of unused propane. Last year at this time we had 9,880 gallons unused.

**After School Program**- will host an open house in conjunction with the 4-H at the Fire Hall. Students will display their Lego projects. The open house will be from 4:30-6:00 pm Tuesday, March 14th.

B.) Principal’s Report
   Calendar of Events
   Standard Response Protocol Training

C.) Board Reports-None

D.) Discussion Items-None
9. Old Business
   A.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Huntrods to approve school board policies 8342 & 8344-Internal Board Policies.

   On roll call vote: David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes.

   Motion Carried 6-0.

10. New Business
   A.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Buhr to approve school board policies 9000-9220-Bylaws of the Board.

   On roll call vote: Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes.

   Motion Carried 6-0.

   B.) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Huntrods to approve annual membership fees of $2,413 to the Nebraska School Board Association.

   On roll call vote: Syd Meidell-no; Jud Skavdahl-no; Shon Whetham-no; Jackie Buhr-no; David Howell-no; Karen Huntrods-no.

   Motion Not Carried 6-0.

   C.) Motion by Skavdahl, seconded by Buhr to approve Phase III & IV of the high school roof project by Fisher Roofing.

   On roll call vote: Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes.

   Motion Carried 6-0.
D.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Meidell to approve hiring temporary summer maintenance workers Joel Parker, Riley Ellis, Garrett Ellis and Rachel Ellis.

On roll call vote: Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

E.) Motion by Huntrods, seconded by Skavdahl to approve hiring one teacher at Chalk Butte beginning the fall of 2017-18 school year.

On roll call vote: Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

F.) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Howell to approve $9,500 payable to MCS & Associates to develop plans for an all-weather track at the high school.

On roll call vote: David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

G.) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Meidell to approve certified staff to extend spring break vacation.

On roll call vote: Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

12. Next regular meeting is Monday, April 10th at 6:00 p.m.

13. Adjourn

Motion by Howell, seconded by Skavdahl to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.
1. Meeting called to order by President Shon Whetham at 6:01 p.m.

2. Open Meetings Act

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Attendance:

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5. Consent Agenda

   (1) Motion by **Buhr**, seconded by **Howell** to accept the consent agenda:
   (2) Reading of minutes from previous meeting
   (3) Agenda as presented
   (4) Excuse absent board members
   (5) Accept treasurer’s report and approve the payment of the bills

   **On roll call vote:** Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes.

   **Motion Carried 6-0.**

6. **Staff/Student Recognition - A Pat on the Back**

   **Jackie Skavdahl**- thank you for making two roasters of soup to sell at the concession stand to benefit our classes.

   **Mr. Brase-recognized by Mrs. Dunn**- for his work to engage students through humor, games, individual & group echo activities, books, rhyming, and of course music. Since we share a classroom, I have had the chance to observe many lessons; I took this picture of his first and second grade class this afternoon. You can see some students are choosing to sit and sing while others are crowding around the piano to belt it out. I believe he really cares about his students and wants them to learn.

   **SCHS Staff**- for pitching in and helping clean the high school while Tony Gutierrez was out. This is a very humble staff who took it upon themselves to divide and conquer cleaning the high school without being asked to do so.

   **Casey Osantowski**- for helping clean the high school. He had the fun job of mopping the restrooms.

   **Mr. Rodenbaugh & Mr. Swisher**- for helping one of our students work through a medical emergency.
Mrs. Dunn—was selected to be a presenter at the ESU in-service on Feb. 20th. She will present on the topic of Geography.

Mrs. Nunn wanted to recognize the staff and students at both the grade school and high school for all the help she has been given during her recovery. Students carry things for her all the time without even having to ask, they just offer. They even offer to let her hold their arm so she doesn’t fall on the ice. Everyone has really helped her out. We have a great group of students and staff.

SCHS Students & Staff— we were reminded of what a great group of high school students and staff we have here at SCHS this week as students and staff filled in to help cover classes for Mr. Rodenbaugh while he is recovering. Teachers volunteered to cover his classes, students stepped up to help each other with fine arts topics and skills, and everyone did what they could to fill the void. As Mr. Rodenbaugh stated, this is an example of one of the “ups” of living in Harrison.

7. Recognition of Visitors/Individuals Wishing to Address the Board
   Brett Gies, Barry Swisher, Sandy Murphy, Barb Engebretsen, Cynthia Kaan, David Goebel, Jessica Turbiville, Sarah Sanderson

8. Discussion and/or Reports
   A.) Superintendent’s Report
      ACT: Nebraska—The ACT will be administered to all juniors as required by NDE on April 19, 2017. High School teachers are assisting students with test taking strategies and content review.
      SCHS Sewer Line—We had to have Budge-It clean our sewer lines three times, each about 10 days apart. We finally located the clean out drain. Budge-It was able to jettout the line so hopefully the problem is solved.
      After School Program—Mrs. Dunn shared a PowerPoint of the Lego Tournament she and her students attended in Sidney.
      Student Assistant Team (SAT) - Mrs. Dunn sent an invitation to all teachers notifying them of the SAT to discuss any students who may need assistant. The SAT meetings are coordinated on the same day as the Spelling Bee in the afternoon so any teacher will have an opportunity to meet with the SAT.

   B.) Principal’s Report
   C.) Board Reports

D.) Discussion Items
   Snow Removal—
   Heated Shop—we need to pursue having some type of heating installed in the bus barn to de-ice the snow blower. It freezes up and sheers augur bolts. We need to keep it from seizing up after usage.

9. Old Business

   A.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Meidell to approve school board policies 5205, 8151, 8152, and 8231.

   On roll call vote: David Howell—yes; Karen Huntrods—yes; Syd Meidell—yes; Jud Skavdahl—yes; Shon Whetham—yes; Jackie Buhr—yes.

   Motion Carried 6-0.
10. New Business

A.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Skavdahl to approve school board policies 8261-8347-Internal Board Policies.

On roll call vote: Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

B.) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Huntrods to approve the Sioux County Education Association as the sole bargaining unit for the 2018-19 school year.

On roll call vote: Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

C.) Motion by Buhr, seconded by Whetham to approve Barry Swisher as the Pk-12 Principal and SCS Athletic Director for 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years.

On roll call vote: Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

D.) Motion by Skavdahl, seconded by Whetham to approve the Family Science Consumer Kitchen upgrades.

On roll call vote: Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

E.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Buhr to approve raising the pay for country schools custodial services to $16.75 per hour.

On roll call vote: Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.
Executive Session

A.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Skavdahl to move into Executive Session at 7:40 p.m. to negotiate the Pk-12 Principal’s 2017-19 contract.

On roll call vote: David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Jud Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

The President must now state the reason for the closed session immediately prior to going into the closed session. We will move into Executive Session to negotiate the Pk-12 Principal’s contract for the 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years.

B.) Motion by Whetham, seconded by Huntrods to move out of Executive Session at 7:43 p.m.

On roll call vote: Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Judd Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

New Business (continued)

E.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Buhr to approve the Pk-12 Principal’s contract for 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years.

On roll call vote: Syd Meidell-yes; Judd Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

12. Next regular meeting is Monday, March 13th at 6:00 p.m.

13. Adjourn

Motion by Meidell, seconded by Skavdahl to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.
Sioux County School Board of Education  
District # 83-0500  
Regular School Board Meeting  
January 12, 2017  
6:00 P.M.  
Family Consumer Science Room-SCHS

1. Meeting called to order by Vice-President Shon Whetham at 6:00 p.m.

2. Open Meetings Act

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Attendance: Present Absent
   Jackie Buhr    Yes
   David Howell  Yes
   Karen Huntrods Yes
   Syd Meidell   Yes
   Judd Skavdahl Yes
   Shon Whetham  Yes

5. Consent Agenda
   (1) Motion by Howell, seconded by Buhr to accept the consent agenda:
   (2) Reading of minutes from previous meeting
   (3) Agenda as presented
   (4) Oath of Office for new members
   (5) Excuse absent board members
   (6) Accept treasurer’s report and approve the payment of the bills

   On roll call vote: Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes;
   Syd Meidell-yes; Judd Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes.

   Motion Carried 6-0.

6. Staff/Student Recognition - A Pat on the Back
   Teacher Recognition: Ultimate Warrior Teaching Award-Mrs. Engebretsen
   Megan Comstock- recognized by Mrs. Murphy- Three students spilled their lunch and Megan
   cleaned all three without being asked. Thank you for the helping hand. A good reflection of Megan’s
   character.
   Pink School Parents-Recognized by the Pink School staff. Thank you for always plowing the drive
   way open and scooping the front door when blocked with snow.
   National Anthem Singers- Thank you to Becca Reece (Gr.5), Jaime Turbiville (Gr. 5) and Megan
   Comstock (Gr. 7) for singing the National Anthem at our basketball games as a trio. Also, thank you
   to Casey Osantowski and Becca Reece for singing solo.
   FFA Students- the Ag Sales Team consisting of Joel Parker, Devyn Sanderson, Trey Thayer, and
   Jebb Ginkens placed fourth and qualified for state competition. The Livestock Management Team
consisting of Cindy Mansfield, Maddie Meidell, Abby Meidell, Tommy Watson, Tristan Hunter and Jack Skavdahl placed third and qualified for state.

7. Recognition of Visitors/Individuals Wishing to Address the Board
   Brett Gies, Barry Swisher, Sandy Murphy, Kerri Rempp, Barb Engebretsen, Jessica Turbiville, Cynthia Kaan

8. Discussion and/or Reports
   A.) Superintendent’s Report
   SCHS Honor Roll Students-2nd quarter and 1st semester

   CSC President’s & Dean’s List-former SCS students received honors from CSC. President’s List: Lindsay Dunn, Jeremiah Fink, Joshua Kling and John Murphy. Dean’s List: Jonathan Dunn.

   New Policy Manual-is posted on our school website. We will begin reviewing sections each month.

   Heating System in the Music Room- We might be experiencing a problem with the heating system. The pipe might be leaking steam.

   1999 Suburban-219,000 miles. The electronic 4-wheel drive system is nonfunctioning-plug came unplugged. Working fine now.
   2004 Buick-175,000 miles. The power steering unit is not functioning. Tire blow out. Replaced one tire not the entire set. A/C does not work. Driver side window does not roll down.

   PSAT Results- Our grade 10 & 11 students did very well on the Preliminary SAT (PSAT). The PSAT is an indicator for career and college readiness. All students met or exceeded the targeted benchmark in both reading and math. Students meeting the benchmark indicates the student is on track for being prepared for their first-year of college.

   SCHS Sewer Line- The high school sewer line backed up on Jan. 3rd in the late afternoon. The cause of the blockage was partially due to our lines never being cleaned out. It was also partially due to the Village line not being cleaned out. We hired Budge-It out of Scottsbluff to locate the drain opening but we could not find it since it is buried beneath the ground. We eventually snaked the line through the staff toilet. This will be an expensive ordeal. We had a 10:00 late start for high school only on the 4th. We had to clean out the sewer line running from the locker rooms on Saturday morning, January 7th.

   When spring arrives, we need to locate the drain opening or have one installed so we can clean the line as a preventative procedure. We will also make the drain opening above ground so it is easy to locate. Routine cleaning of the line would be a good preventative measure. Staff and students were very cooperative in sharing one toilet that was working in the Ag room.

   Panhandle School Black Mold-Phillip began treatment to stop the black mold. He treated it once. The next step is to pull the carpet and then administer another treatment. In May, after school is out and he has the summer boys to help, he will replace the dry wall and replace the leaking water line.
B.) Principal’s Report
C.) Board Reports

D.) Discussion Items

**Janitorial Services at Country Schools** - The Pink country school teachers are paid $12.75 per hour, 2 hours per week, per person for cleaning their schools.
The Chalk Butte custodian gets $12.75 per hour for 4 hours per week.
The HGS custodian gets $16.75 per hour.
The country school staff are asking to be compensated at the same rate as the HGS custodian.
After a discussion, the Board will vote on raising the salaries next month for the country schools.

9. Old Business
   None

10. New Business

A.) Motion by Buhr, seconded by Skavdahl to approve the election of officers:
   President: Shon Whetham
   Vice President: Syd Meidell
   Treasurer: Jackie Buhr
   Secretary: David Howell
   Recording Secretary: David Howell

   On roll call vote: David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Judd Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes.

   Motion Carried 6-0.

B.) Motion by Skavdahl, seconded by Huntrods to approve the Crawford Clipper/Harrison Sun as the legal newspaper of the Sioux County School Board.

   On roll call vote: Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Judd Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes.

   Motion Carried 6-0.

C.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Skavdahl to approve Security First Bank, Harrison, NE and Sandhills Bank as the depositories for Sioux County School District business funds.

   On roll call vote: Syd Meidell-yes; Judd Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes.

   Motion Carried 6-0.
D.) Motion by Huntrods, seconded by Meidell to approve holding school board meetings in the Family Consumer Science Room at Sioux County High School on the second Monday of each month at the designated time.

On roll call vote: Judd Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

E.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Buhr to approve Superintendent Brett Gies to apply for and deposit all local, state, and federal funds.

On roll call vote: Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Judd Skavdahl-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

F.) Motion by Skavdahl, seconded by Huntrods to approve Adam Edmund and the PGH&G law firm to represent SCS for legal counsel.

On roll call vote: Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Judd Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

G.) Motion by Skavdahl, seconded by Howell to appoint the accounting firm of Gardner, Loutzenhiser, and Ryan as financial advisors and auditors for SCS.

On roll call vote: David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Judd Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.
H.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Whetham to approve school board policies 8110-8260: Internal Board Policies and 5205: Graduation with revisions.

On roll call vote: Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Judd Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

I.) Motion by Howell, seconded by Whetham to approve the contract for Brett Gies as the Superintendent of Sioux County Schools for 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years with revisions.

On roll call vote: Syd Meidell-yes; Judd Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-abstain.

Motion Carried 5-0.

J.) Motion by Huntrods, seconded by Meidell to approve the 2017-18 School District Calendar.

On roll call vote: Judd Skavdahl-yes; Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

K.) Motion by Meidell, seconded by Whetham to approve the Request for Qualifications as proposed by Ameresco to conduct energy savings performance.

On roll call vote: Shon Whetham-yes; Jackie Buhr-yes; David Howell-yes; Karen Huntrods-yes; Syd Meidell-yes; Judd Skavdahl-yes.

Motion Carried 6-0.

12. Next regular meeting is Monday, February 13th at 6:00 p.m.

13. Adjourn

Motion by Howell, seconded by Skavdahl to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Motion carried by unanimous vote.