



## **District-Wide PAC Meeting**

### **Minutes**

**Tuesday, March 9, 2021; 12:00 p.m.**

**Professional Learning Lab**

Members present were Dr. Shon Hocker (Superintendent), Mrs. Jennifer Braun (representing Heart River Elementary PAC), Mrs. Barbara Shockey (representing Prairie Rose Elementary PAC), and Mrs. Krissy Kilwein (representing Berg Elementary PAC).

**Call to Order** – Superintendent Hocker called the meeting to order at noon.

**Approval of the February 8, 2021, Meeting Minutes** – Mrs. Jennifer Braun moved to approve the February 8, 2021, meeting minutes as presented. Mrs. Barbara Shockey seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Business Topics**

**March 8, 2021, School Board Meeting Agenda** – Superintendent Hocker reminded the committee members they may view the live stream of the Board meetings the night of the meeting utilizing the BoardDocs link. The Board meetings are recorded and oftentimes are also available on YouTube

Dr. Hocker summarized several topics from the March 8 School Board Meeting. He reported to the Board that in February there were 230 kindergarteners pre-registered for the 2021-2022 school year. The District typically has about 400 kindergarteners each year.

He shared there is a conversation regarding learning loss and how Districts were going to address this concern. Dickinson Public students were hybrid and then transitioned to full-time, face-to-face learning and therefore are at an advantage in comparison to some other Districts. The students also had their own devices to take home.

Superintendent Hocker explained the next steps on the North Campus/Halliburton property. The District is currently waiting for the legislature to decide if they will move forward with awarding funds for three North Dakota CTE Centers. He also shared the advantages in many trade fields with having a CTE Center located in Dickinson.

The Board approved at last night's meeting a resolution for building fund bonds. This bond could generate \$6.5 million. Dr. Hocker explained the building fund is currently operating on \$1.2 million per year to maintain all the District facilities. These funds are not sufficient to adequately maintain twelve buildings.

The Board rescheduled its April School Board Meeting to Monday, April 12, 2021. The next District-wide PAC Meeting was rescheduled to Tuesday, April 13 at noon and will be held at the Professional Learning Lab located at 266 Third Avenue West.

Gift Ideas for Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week – The committee members shared some ideas for a gift for all District employees during Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week. This designated week is the first week of May.

Other – Mrs. Shockey inquired if the school buildings would be open soon for outside groups, such as for baseball and basketball practice. Dr. Hocker responded he has been working with the District Activities Director and noted that the District relies heavily on the recommendations made by the local health officials.

**Adjournment** – The meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.