

**Present:** Superintendent Dr. Sullivan, Jo Erickson (Roosevelt), Paula Penny (Heart River) Heidi Smith (Lincoln), Heidi Schostek (Dickinson High School), Cindy Reiss (Jefferson), Dina Roberts (Prairie Rose), Angie Kidrowski (CAO).

**Absent:** Kristi Krebs, (Berg) and Jayne Janikowski (Hagen).

**Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order by Superintendent Sullivan at 1:34 p.m.

- I. Additions/Deletions to Agenda Items** – None
- II. Approval of the December 15, 2015, Meeting Minutes** – Heidi Schostek motioned to approve the minutes. Heidi Smith seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as written.
- III. Old Business** – None
- IV. New Business**
  - a. Review of the January 11, 2016 School Board Meeting Agenda:
    - i. Superintendent Sullivan gave an update on the new middle school construction. He stated that the building is now vertical as they continue to put up the walls and structural steel. He explained that the schedule is to have the building water tight and enclosed by September 2016. After this process they will begin work on the interior of the building. He also explained that the School Board authorized the sale of the remaining bonds with a total construction price of \$56.8 million, but when adding architect fees, permits, insurance, and interior design the cost will be the approved amount of \$65 million, as originally planned.
    - ii. Superintendent Sullivan stated that there is now a vacancy on the School Board. Jason Hanson has relocated and is no longer able to be a member on the school board. There will be an appointment made at the February board meeting. Those interested in this position may pick up an application packet at the Central Administration Office. Superintendent Sullivan did mention, however, that the chosen candidate will need to run for re-election in June, as it will be that point in the members four year terms.
    - iii. Heidi Smith asked if there were a lot of open enrollment applications recently. Superintendent Sullivan said there have not been but this led into the discussion of current enrollment numbers. He explained that in 2015, from January to December, our district was down 62 students, but continues to have registrations in the Central Administration Office. He said that Vince Reep, Assistant Superintendent and business manager is still projecting an enrollment of 340-350 students for the 2016-2017 kindergarten class, based on live births at St. Joseph's Hospital.
- V. Other** - Superintendent Sullivan explained that a letter went out to parents regarding the immunizations, asking parents to please make sure students are in compliance with the North Dakota law regarding immunizations. The Department of Public Instruction (DPI)

requires schools to follow North Dakota Law and exclude from school students who have not met the immunization requirements or have not been exempted. There is an exemption form at the Central Administration Office for parents who choose not to immunize their children.

**VI. Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 at 1:30 p.m.

*Meeting minutes by Angie Kidrowski*