

## Unapproved School Board Meeting Minutes

Dickinson Public Schools  
Special School Board Meeting

July 22, 2013; 5:00 p.m.  
Board Room, Central Office

The Dickinson Public School Board held a special meeting on July 22, 2013, at the Central Administration Office. Board members present were: President Kris Fehr, Vice President Jason Hanson, Mrs. Tanya Rude, Dr. Morton Krieg and Ms. Leslie Ross. Administrators present were: Superintendent Douglas Sullivan, Assistant Superintendent Vince Reep, and Mrs. Susan Cook. Others present were: Mr. Burton Lewton, Mrs. Naomi Thorson, Mrs. Twila Petersen, and Mr. Dustin Monke from the Dickinson Press.

**Public Participation** - There were no requests for public participation.

**Call to Order** – Board President Kris Fehr called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. She noted this was a Special School Board Meeting and only topics on the agenda may be discussed.

**Factfinding Commission's Report** – President Fehr opened the floor to the Board members to receive comments provided to Board members from the community regarding the Factfinding Commission's Report. Ms. Ross noted an email she had received from the spouse of a teacher. Other Board members noted they had also received the same email. Mrs. Rude shared that a neighbor(s) had commented they were glad that the board was holding their ground. Dr. Krieg, Mr. Hanson and Mrs. Fehr had also received the same type of comments. Mrs. Fehr had been asked by an individual why the school board had not met with the teachers association. Mrs. Fehr told them that there were many attempts by the board to schedule a meeting within the 20 day time frame set by the Factfinding Commission; however, the teachers association could not meet. Dr. Krieg inquired if Dr. Sullivan or Mr. Reep had received any feedback. Both responded they had not.

**Attorney Consultation – Negotiations Impasse (Executive Session)** – President Fehr noted the next item on the agenda was Attorney Consultation-Negotiations Impasse. She stated this item may be discussed in an executive session. The legal authority for closing this portion of the meeting is North Dakota Century Code section 44-04-19.2. The topic or purpose of the executive session is Attorney Consultation-Negotiations Impasse. President Fehr reported a motion would be in order to discuss this topic in executive session. Mrs. Rude moved to close the meeting and go into executive session for the purpose of attorney consultation-negotiations impasse. Dr. Krieg seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. President Fehr noted after the executive session was completed the public will be invited to rejoin the meeting. A roll call vote was taken on the motion; Ross–aye, Rude–aye, Krieg–aye, Hanson–aye, Fehr–aye. The motion carried unanimously. President Fehr reported the executive session would be recorded. Any collective decision, collective commitment, or other final action by the governing board would occur when the meeting reconvenes unless required by law during the executive session. President Fehr reflected school board policy BCAD-Executive Session which lists those individuals that may attend the executive session. Those designated to be in attendance were Board President Fehr, Board Vice President Hanson, Board Member Ross, Board Member Rude, Board Member Krieg, Superintendent Sullivan, Assistant Superintendent Reep, Attorney Rachel Bruner-Kaufman, and Recorder Petersen. The School Board went into executive session for the

**Attorney Consultation – Negotiations Impasse (Executive Session) cont.**

purpose of attorney consultation-negotiations impasse which began at 5:07 p.m. and was attended by Board President Kris Fehr, Board Vice President Jason Hanson, Board Member Leslie Ross, Board Member Tanya Rude, Board Member Morton Krieg, Superintendent Douglas Sullivan, Assistant Superintendent Vince Reep, Recorder Twila Petersen, and Attorney Rachel Bruner-Kaufman via conference call.

The executive session was adjourned at 6:15 p.m. President Fehr invited the public back into the special school board meeting. She noted that the board discussed the Negotiations Impasse with the Board’s attorney, Rachel Bruner-Kaufman. President Fehr reported that Board Member Krieg exited during the executive session. President Fehr noted there were no other topics for the special school board meeting. No other topics were discussed.

**Adjournment** – At 6:16 p.m., Mr. Hanson moved to adjourn. Mrs. Rude seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

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Kris Fehr, Board President

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Vince Reep, Business Manager

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Twila Petersen, Secretary