

TO: School Board Members
FROM: Douglas W. Sullivan, Superintendent
SUBJECT: Agenda Background
DATE: December 14, 2015

- I. Call to Order** – President Ricks will call the meeting to order.
- II. Public Participation** - Any person wishing to address the Board may do so by completing a written request prior to the meeting. The request must be within the guidelines of Board Policy BCBA, Public Participation at Board Meetings.
- III. Additional Agenda Items/Removal of Items from Consent Agenda** – Items which require Board action may be placed on the agenda by approval of a majority of the Board members present. Board members may request that an item on the consent agenda be removed for consideration by itself.
- IV. Consent Agenda**
- a. Minutes – November 9 regular Board Meeting and November 9 Board workshop. The minutes are posted under Minutes on the school board web site.
 - b. Bills – The bills are posted under Financial Reports on the school board web site.
 - c. Financial Report – The Financial Report is posted under Financial Reports on the school board web site.
 - d. Pledged Assets Report – The Pledged Assets Report is posted under Financial Reports on the school board web site.
 - e. Personnel Reports – The personnel reports are posted under Supporting Documents on the school board website.
 - f. Student/Staff Recognitions – The student/staff recognitions are posted under the Consent Agenda.
 - g. Tuition Waiver Agreement – A tuition waiver request for a child of Anna Strohecker from Richardton-Taylor to Dickinson.
 - h. RACTC Report – The December RACTC director’s report is posted under Supporting Documents.

Sample motion: “I move to approve the agenda (or revised agenda) including the consent agenda consisting of the minutes from the November 9 regular board meeting, November 9 board workshop; bills for December 2015; the financial reports for December 2015; the pledged assets report for December 2015; the personnel reports; the student/staff recognitions; a tuition waiver request for a child of Anna Strohecker from Dickinson to Richardton-Taylor; and the RACTC report, as presented.

- V. Superintendent’s Report** – Superintendent Sullivan will report on topics which do not appear elsewhere in the agenda.
- VI. Business Topics**
- a. **Roughrider Area Career and Technical Center (RACTC) Update** – Mr. Wayne Olson, RACTC Director, will provide information regarding the RACTC. This agenda item is informational only. No action is requested.

- b. **New Middle School Construction Update** – Assistant Superintendent Reep will update the Board members on the progress of the new middle school. This agenda item is informational only. No action is requested.
- c. **Budget Development and Input Committee Update** – Board representatives on the Budget Committee are Mrs. Ross and Mr. Hanson. This committee held a meeting on November 17. Minutes from the meeting are posted on the DPS main webpage under District Wide Committee Minutes. Topics discussed at the meeting included a technology grant, a preliminary discussion regarding 2016-2017 classified salaries, budget items for the new middle school in the 2016-2017 fiscal year, a request to purchase another school bus, and preliminary discussion regarding bus purchases in the 2016-2017 fiscal year. This agenda item is informational only. No action is requested.
- d. **2016-2017 Proposed DPS School Calendar** – The calendar committee has met and proposed two school calendars for the 2016-2017 school year. Minutes from the meeting are available under District Wide Committee Minutes. Two calendars, A1 and A2, were presented for staff to review for consideration. The two draft calendars are posted as a Supporting Document on the website. Responses from the building representatives are as follows.

Building	Calendar A1	Calendar A2
DHS	34	11
Hagen	0	4
Berg	16	2
Prairie Rose	3	13
Lincoln	3	19
Heart River	11	5
Jefferson	16	7
Roosevelt	18	1

The early release dates and graduation date are not listed on the calendars as these dates will be selected at the December 14 Cabinet meeting. Revised calendars with the early release and graduation dates will be posted Monday afternoon. At the Board meeting Superintendent Sullivan will explain the difference between the two calendars and answer any questions. Action is requested. Sample motion: **“I move to approve the 2016-2017 school calendar [A1 or A2] with a starting date of August 24, 2016; the last day of school scheduled for May 24, 2016; and graduation held on _____.”**

- e. **Bid for Route Bus** – The school district advertised for and provided specification sheets (bus chassis and bus body) for bids for a one 77-passenger school bus (seated to 71). Only one company, Harlow’s Bus Sales, submitted bids which were opened at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, December 9, 2015. Harlow’s bid is posted under Supporting Documents.

Following is a summary of the bids:

1. 2016 (stock) International IC CE, 77 seated 71 passenger school bus with a CUM ISB 240 HP 560 ft-lb torque diesel engine, an Allison 2500 automatic transmission, air brakes, air actuated entrance door, CDL light check system, and a No Student Left Behind safety check system.. This bus meets or exceeds all local, state, and federal standards and specifications. F.O.B. Dickinson, ND -**\$88,495.**

The administrative recommendation is to accept the bid from Harlow's Bus Sales, Inc. to purchase this bus. Action is requested. **Sample motion: "I move to accept the bid submitted by Harlow's Bus Sales, Inc. and purchase the 71 passenger school bus for \$88,495.**

- f. **Open Enrollment Applications** – Jennifer Perdaems has applied for open enrollment for her child to be admitted from South Heart Public to Dickinson Public. Brian Woehl has applied for open enrollment for his step-child to be admitted from Richardton-Taylor Public to Dickinson Public. Matthew Hecker has applied for open enrollment for his child to be admitted from South Heart Public to Dickinson. All three children are currently attending DPS. Administrative recommendation is to approve these three open enrollment applications. Sample motion: **"I move to approve the request for a child of Jennifer Perdaems, a child of Brian Woehl, and a child of Matthew Hecker to be admitted to the Dickinson Public Schools as per the open enrollment requests."** Kristi White has applied for open enrollment for her child to be admitted from Belfield Public to Dickinson Public. This child was attending school out of state. Administrative recommendation is to deny the open enrollment application. Superintendent Sullivan will address the Board providing justification for the denial. Sample motion: **"I move to deny the request for a child of Kristi White to be admitted to the Dickinson Public Schools as per the open enrollment request."**

VII. Other

VIII. Adjournment

Announcements:

2016 NDSBA Negotiations Seminar is scheduled for February 11 and 12th at the Bismarck Ramkota.