Dakota CUSD #201 Board Meeting Summary February 2018

Below are some board actions/highlights from the regularly scheduled board meeting held on February 20, 2018.

Placed updated board policies on display

The school board placed updates to board policy on public display. The updates are provided through PRESS, which is a service provided by the Illinois Association of School Boards. The updates typically reflect changes to state code and/or decisions in recent court cases. A board committee will review the policies prior to being recommended at the March meeting.

Reviewed draft of 2018-2019 calendar

The board briefly reviewed a draft of the tentative 2018-2019 school calendar. A representative group of staff reviewed and provided feedback on two calendar options. The draft calendar includes the following highlights:

Thurs/Fri, August 16 and 17	Opening teachers' institutes
Monday, August 20	First day of student
	attendance
November 21-25	Thanksgiving break
December 22-January 6	Christmas break
March 23-March 31	Spring break
May 23	Last day student attendance
	with no snow days

As part of the calendar presentation, a recommendation was made to incorporate weekly one-hour early release days to provide staff with collaborative time to develop and implement academic and socio-emotional programming. The early release plan will be finalized and communicated with final calendar approval recommendation being made at the April meeting.

<u>Renewed cooperative hockey agreement with Monroe</u> <u>High School</u>

The school board approved a cooperative hockey agreement with Monroe High School. The initial agreement was approved by the board last year. 8 high schools make up the cooperative hockey team with includes school from Wisconsin and Illinois.

Approved postings for summer positions

The board approved posting for seasonal building and grounds positions. These positions include mowing, trimming, painting and routine maintenance on the buildings or grounds.

Keep Dakota Proud! Plan update

Mr. Prusator provided a brief review of additions to the 2018-2019 plan.

Reviewed Dakota Lead in Water Report (LIW)

Mr. Mathers reviewed a summary from a new mandatory test (for elementary buildings only) which measures the amount of lead in water used for drinking or food preparation. Our elementary building had a couple of drinking fountains and sinks with elevated lead levels. Those fountains are currently inoperable and are in the process of being replaced. A letter will go out to parents notifying them of the results.

Personnel Actions

Person	Action
Tina Schlueter	Transferred to JH/HS head secretary
Holly Olson	Employed as JH/HS assistant
	secretary
Deanna Kraft	Employed as district technology
	specialist
Kate Woessner	Accepted resignation as high school
	science teacher effective at the end of
	2017-2018 school year
Cindy Luy	Accepted retirement request effective
	2/12/2018
Cindy Ziegler	Approved as fresh-soph softball coach
Robert Cravens	Employed as fresh-soph baseball
	coach
Steve Olson	Employed as high school boys' track
	coach
Jennifer Geiseman	Employed as junior high track coach
Gena Ayers	Approved unpaid leave March 19-23
Trish Krug	Employed as full-time agriculture
	teacher for the 2018-2019 school year
Annie Peiffer	Approved as volunteer softball coach
Tami Peterson	Accepted retirement request effective
	end of 2018-2019 school year
Craig Mathers/Bob	Approved as part-time interim
Prusator	superintendents for 2018-2019 school
	year