AGENDA: We will order off the menu and have a working supper.

1. Call the meeting to order. (m)

President Vlasman called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. A quorum was established with the following members present: Lynn Vlasman, President; Jeff Danielsen, President-Elect and Region 1 Rep.; Kelly Glodt, Past-President; Summer Schultz, Treasurer; Brian Field, Secretary; Jason Bailey, Region 2 Rep.; Tom Cameron, Region 3 Rep.; Mark Naugle, Region 4 Rep.; Brian Heupel, Region 5 Rep.; and Terry Nebelsick, Region 7 Rep.

Also in attendance were: Dan Leikvold, AASA Governing Board; Bob Sittig, AASA Governing Board; Tim Graf, SASD Executive Board; Joel Jorgenson, SASD Executive Board; and Rob Monson, SASD Executive Director.

Absent: Monte Nipp, Region 6 Rep.

2. Approve the agenda. (m)

A motion was made by Kelly Glodt, seconded by Tom Cameron to approve the agenda. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

3. Approve the minutes from the September 21, 2016 meeting (enclosed). (m)

A motion was made by Mark Naugle, seconded by Jason Bailey to approve the minutes from the September 21, 2016 meeting. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

4. Approve the financial report (enclosed). (m)

A motion was made by Brian Heupel, seconded by Lynn Vlasman to approve the financial report. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

5. Review and discuss the Governors’ Budget Address.

President Vlasman and the Board reviewed and discussed the Governors’ Budget Address that was held at 1:00 this afternoon.

Governor Daugaard is recommending a 1% increase for K-12 education, an increase of $485 in moving the teacher target salary from $48,500 to $48,985. The total new money is $6.8 million, which covers the increase in the target salary ($485) along
with overhead (31%) and benefits (29%). The Governor did step up as the CPI-W was .35%.

It was discussed that the lobbying groups may need to lay pretty low this year even though we know 1% is not sustainable and won’t move teacher salaries where they need to be to stay competitive with area states.

The three-year re-base will be crucial in finding out where we are at as a State in terms of the average teacher salary.

If there are surplus dollars at the end, we would like to get more dollars for our schools or re-visit the 2-year averaging.

The Board also discussed giving up some/all categorical aid in order to get the 2-year averaging back or help districts move closer to the teacher target salary.

6. Review and discuss the state superintendent survey results (enclosed)—Dr. Danielsen & Dr. Schultz.

President Vlasman thanked Dr. Schultz and Dr. Danielsen for their work on the streamlined state superintendent survey. A total of 121 superintendents responded to the 28 question survey on educational issues and potential legislation for 2017. Dr. Danielsen highlighted the survey results.

The following topics were also identified as the major areas for focus group discussions at the state superintendent meeting on Wednesday:

1) Governor’s recommendation of a 1% increase for K-12 education.
2) Categorical aid—are we willing to give it up to get the 2-year averaging back or help schools get closer to the target salary.
3) Juvenile justice.
4) Conflict of interest law.
5) Insurance/tax credit law.
6) Transgender policy.
7) SDRS and concerns over spiking.

7. Review and discuss the agenda, format, and focus/discussion groups for the December 7 state superintendent meeting.

President Vlasman and the Board discussed the agenda, format and focus/discussion groups for the statewide superintendent meeting.

In the morning, the state superintendents will be divided into 7 focus groups. Two executive board members will serve as the discussion leaders for each of the focus groups. One executive board member from each of the 7 focus groups will then report out to the large group in the afternoon.
Following is the agenda for the State Superintendent Meeting on Wednesday:

- 10:00-10:05—Lynn Vlasman, SDSSA President.
- 10:05-10:30—Don Kirkegaard, SD State Board of Education President—Proposed Certification Rules; Rob Monson—SDRS update; and Jeff Danielsen—SDHSAA Executive Director Search update.
- 10:30-12:00—Focus Group Discussions.
- 12:00-12:30—Lunch.
- 12:30-2:00—Focus Groups Report Out to Large Group.
- 2:00-2:30—SDSSA Executive Board Meeting.

8. Old Business.
   a. SDHSAA discussion.

President Vlasman led the Board on a discussion of the SDHSAA. Several years ago, the Executive Board shared concerns with the SDHSAA Executive Director and Board of Directors, primary concern being on better communication.

   i. Board of Directors Meeting update from November 2—Mr. Vlasman and Dr. Danielsen.

   ii. Where does SDSSA want to go in terms of on-going interaction and communication with the SDHSAA staff or board?

   iii. SDHSAA Executive Director Search update.

Dr. Danielsen provided an update from Dr. Maher regarding the SDHSAA Executive Director Search. On January 10, the finalists will be interviewed. There are 17 applicants and a finalist pool of 2-5 candidates will be selected. Names will be made public.

   a. Discuss the process/procedure on proposals during the Legislative Session and how to determine what action should be taken.

President Vlasman discussed the process regarding proposals during the Legislative session and what action should be taken on behalf of SDSSA. SASD has standing positions that will be brought to the Delegate Assembly—Dr. Leikvold is the chair of the SASD Legislative Committee.

   b. Superintendent Legislative Day is set for Wednesday, February 1. The buffet with state legislators will be at 6:00 p.m. at the Pierre Ramkota in Galleries D, E, F, & G.
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The AASA National Conference on Education will be at New Orleans in the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center on March 2-4, 2017. The South Dakota Hotel is the Hilton New Orleans Riverside. A SD luncheon will be sponsored by Hillyard and G & R Controls. A SD/ND supper will be sponsored by Renaissance Learning.

   i. Conference will be in the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center.
   ii. South Dakota Hotel is the Hilton New Orleans Riverside.
   iii. SD Luncheon—TBD—sponsored by Hillyard and G & R Controls. Harrah’s Casino (Thursday, March 2).
   iv. SD/ND Supper—TBD—sponsored by Renaissance Learning. The Palace (Friday, March 3).

d. SDSSA Summer Conference—signed contract with Cedar Shore for the next two years. Reserved block of 20 rooms for Executive Board on Sunday night and block of 100+ rooms on Monday and Tuesday night.

Secretary Field informed the Board that SDSSA has signed contracts for the Summer Conference on July 16-19, 2017 and July 15-18, 2018 at Cedar Shore. He has also reserved a block of 20 rooms for the Executive Board on Sunday night and blocks of 100+ rooms on Monday and Tuesday night.


e. Discussion/update on the 2017 Summer Conference agenda (enclosed)—Dr. Danielsen.

Dr. Danielsen provided an update on speakers and preparations for the 2017 Summer Conference. He has created links for speakers and session handouts. Discovery Education is paying for Dr. Edwards’s trip to SD for his presentations.

Another potential speaker might be Dr. Schopp on the new ESSA accountability.

f. Discuss the Juvenile Justice Regional meetings and the Juvenile Justice Public Safety Improvement Act (JJPSIA/SB 73) Oversight Council—Tim Graf and Kelly Glodt.

Mr. Graf and Dr. Glodt led the Board on a discussion of the Juvenile Justice Regional meetings and the Juvenile Justice Public Safety Improvement Act Oversight Council.
g. Discuss proposed changes and opportunities to provide input on the SD DOE Certification Rules that are set to be formalized in March.

Mr. Kirkegaard will present on this topic at the start of the state superintendent meeting.

10. AASA Update (enclosed)—Dr. Leikvold and Mr. Sittig.

Do we take a stand against President-elect Trump’s nominee for the Secretary of Education? It was discussed that SDSSA may want to consider a letter to our Senators Thune and Rounds to let them know that we do not support the diversion of public school funds in the form of vouchers to private schools or charter schools.


SASD Executive Director Rob Monson updated the Executive Board on the following items, along with possible changes coming to the SDRS due to concerns over spiking.

a. SASD Legislative Committee Meeting in Pierre on December 6.
b. 2017 SASD Legislative priorities.
c. Delegate Assembly—Tuesday, January 31 at 1:00 p.m. at the Red Rossa Conference Center.
d. SASD Outstanding Administrator Luncheon—Wednesday, February 1 at 11:30 a.m. at the Drifters Event Center in Ft. Pierre (behind the Pizza Ranch along the river).
e. Other.

12. Other Business.

There were no additional items for Other Business.

13. Next meeting: Tuesday, January 31, 2017 @ 10:00 a.m. @ Red Rossa in Pierre. Rolls will be provided and Lunch will be ordered off the menu.

NOTE: Delegate Assembly starts at 1:00 p.m.

The next Executive Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 31, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the Red Rossa in Pierre.


A motion was made by Dr. Glodt, seconded by Dr. Danielsen to adjourn the meeting. All present voted aye. Motion carried. President Vlasman declared the meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.