

SOUTH DAKOTA SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS' ASSOCIATION (SDSSA)
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, September 11, 2019 @ 11:00
Al Oasis—Oacoma, SD

AGENDA:

1. Call the meeting to order—Mr. Terry Nebelsick, President.

President Nebelsick called the meeting to order at 11:00am. A quorum was established with the following members present: Terry Nebelsick, president; Mark Naugle, president-elect; Tim Graf, past-president; Summer Schultz, treasurer; Jennifer Lowery, secretary; Tom Cameron, Region 3; Steve Willard, Region 4; and Brian Jandahl, Region 7.

Also present were AASA Governing Board Reps—Dan Leikvold and Bob Sittig; SASD Executive Board Reps—Joel Jorgenson; and SASD Executive Director Rob Monson.

Members absent Donovan DeBoer, Region 1; Linda Foos, Region 2; Jim Hulscher, Region 5; and Justin Downes, Region 6.

2. Introduction of members:

Mr. Nebelsick welcomed the SDSSA Executive Board members.

3. Approve the agenda with any corrections or additions. (m)

A motion was made by Brian Jandahl second by Tim Graf to approve the agenda with three additions under #8 Other Business: d. Black Hills Online Cohort; e. State Assessment; and f. Public School Exemption. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

4. Approve the minutes of the July 14, 2019 meeting—Dr. Jennifer Lowery, Secretary (enclosed). (m)

A motion was made by Mark Naugle, seconded by Summer Schultz to approve the minutes from the July 14, 2019 meeting as presented. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

5. Approve the financial report—Dr. Summer Schultz, Treasurer (enclosed). (m)

A motion was made by Mark Naugle, seconded by Steve Willard to approve the financial report. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

6. Old Business.

- a. Discuss the 2019 Summer Conference.
 - i. Expenses.

Dr. Schultz will provide an expense to revenue report at our December meeting.

- ii. Feedback received from the attendees—keynotes, sessions, hotel accommodations, meeting rooms, meals, vendors, socials, hospitality, etc.

Mr. Nebelsick and the Board discussed the summer conference. Positive comments were received concerning the conference. Specifically, superintendents appreciated learning from their colleagues.

- iii. Legislative Scorecard follow-up

Discussion concerning the Legislative Scorecard and how to utilize the information effectively was extensively discussed. The Board determined that it is a matter of public record. Director Monson will provide an opportunity for superintendents to request their District's voting record. The information when requested by the superintendent will be supported with concepts of best practice. Motion by Graf, Second Willard with all present voted Aye. Motion passed.

- iv. ESSA Implementation Update

Terry Nebelsick and Steve Willard attended a meeting concerning closing the achievement gap for the economically disadvantaged. The meeting transitioned into the Department of Education learning about the current best-practices used by District's across the state. Closing the gap for students identified as economically disadvantaged will continue to be a focus.

- v. Forest Connor Loan Update

George Seiler, Redfield, and Scott Kludt, Crow Creek, both have Forrest Connor Loans as indicated on the financial report.

7. New Business.

- a. Discuss the 2020 Summer Conference.
 - i. Budget for speakers.

Mark Naugle was provided guidance from the Board to move forward with a speaker budget up to \$15,000 for the 2020 Summer Conference. The Board will analyze the fee for the conference at the December meeting with Dr. Schultz's financial report.

- ii. Potential speakers, topics, and/or changes in the program format — Mark Naugle, President-elect.

President-elect Naugle discussed potential speakers and topics for the 2020 summer conference.

- iii. SDSSA has a signed contracts at Arrowwood Cedar Shore for the 2020 Summer Conference (Sunday, July 19 thru Wednesday, July 22); 2021 Summer Conference (Sunday, July 18 thru Wednesday, July 21); and 2022 Summer Conference (Sunday, July 17 thru Wednesday, July 20). The Board by consensus approved Secretary Lowery to reserve Cedar Shore for 2023 Summer Conference.

Secretary Lowery informed the Board that SDSSA has signed contracts for the summer 2020, 2021, and 2022 conference at Arrowwood Cedar Shore. Jennifer was authorized by the Board to book Cedar Shore for 2023.

- iv. Dr. Schultz—room reservations.

Treasurer Schultz discussed the room reservation process at Cedar Shore and the improvement of process that has occurred by utilizing the code.

- b. Discuss the SDSSA Legislative Survey and Statewide Meeting of Superintendents.
 - i. Should SDSSA continue with the legislative survey?

The Board decided to move forward with the annual survey.

- ii. Volunteers formulate survey:

The Board identified the treasurer, president, and SASD Director as responsible for the survey. The Board collected discussion topics through a brainstorm with the executive members present.

- iii. Impact of Governor’s Budget:

The current CPI-W is 2.0. The predicted amount prior to the natural disasters was 1.2 or 1.5%.

- iv. The date for the state-wide superintendent meeting would be Wednesday, December 4, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at Arrowwood Cedar Shore in Chamberlain.

The legislative survey will continue and the process will be very similar to the past several years. The Board likes the mix of superintendents from a variety size of schools

at the table, as well as the small group format. The Executive Board will continue to facilitate the discussions. A panel at the front will summarize the discussions.

- c. Superintendent Legislative Day—Wednesday, February 5, 2020—Buffet with the State Legislators will be at 6:00 that evening at the Pierre Ramkota.

President Nebelsick reminded the Board the Superintendent Legislative Day is set for Wednesday, February 5, 2020. It is important to invite state legislators to the buffet that evening at 6:00 p.m. at the Pierre Ramkota, Galleries D, E, F, and G. He reminded the superintendents to communicate with their legislators and welcome them at the door. Mr. Nebelsick will also discuss how important this is at the December 4 state superintendent meeting.

- d. AASA update from Governing Board Members Mr. Bob Sittig (2021) and Dr. Dan Leikvold (2019).

AASA Governing Board Reps Dan Leikvold and Bob Sittig provided a handout with updates for the Board. The highlighted information included Categorical Eligibility for School Lunch, SNAP and Community Eligibility Provisions (need to oppose), Higher Education Act Reauthorization, Medicaid in Schools, Vouchers, and FY20 Appropriations.

- e. SASD update—Executive Director Mr. Rob Monson.

SASD Executive Director Monson updated the SDSSA Executive Board on the following items.

- i. ASBSD/SASD Joint Conference. *Good turnout.*
- ii. SASD Leadership Academy. *20 participants.*
- iii. Ladies in Leadership.
- iv. Aspiring/Perspiring Superintendent Workshop. *Fall 2020*
- v. Principal Leadership and Development.
- vi. SASD Outstanding Administrator Banquet on February 5, 2020 at the Pierre Ramkota.
- vii. AASA National Conference on Education in San Diego on February 13-15, 2020.
- viii. 2019 SD Legislative priorities. *It is important to follow the Special Education Legislative Committee.*
- ix. Other updates. *The following are planned through SASD: Instructional Leadership, Narcan Webinar, Swier Webinar, Book Study, Superintendent Retreat (low numbers), and the President and Vice President Retreat will be held October 7 and 8.*

8. Other Business.

- a. Discussion on possible legislation – proactive vs defensive

Discussion concerning legislation occurred. No action or consensus was determined.

- b. Communication concerning honoring members who pass away during the 2019-2020 year.

Please send information to Dr. Lowery.

- c. Communication on awards.

The award structure of the superintendent's association was approved at the annual meeting. The format and timeline will be reiterated at the December meeting.

- d. Black Hills Online Cohort

President Nebelsick led the discussion concerning inquiry of District's current use of Black Hills Online Cohort. The group had different decisions on their participation pending their specific situations. Not all Districts are using Black Hills Online Cohort and the website is being fixed by TIE.

- e. State Assessment

Tim Graf led discussion concerning the state assessment and home school testing. The group discussed the current process concerning the South Dakota State Assessment. The group also talked about when home school students are assessed.

- f. Public School Exemption

Secretary Lowery requested guidance on the correct end code for public school exemption students within campus. Tea Area requested a change on their report card due to students identified as public school exemptions being identified as dropouts.

9. 19-20 Committees (enclosed)—SDSSA Executive Board, AASA Governing Board, AASA Federal & State Relations Coordinator, SASD Executive Board, SASD Professional Member Services Committee, SASD Legislative Committee, and SASD Delegate Assembly.

Secretary Lowery provided an electronic handout of all of the 2019-20 SDSSA Executive Board, committees, and representatives associated with SDSSA, AASA, and SASD.

10. Constitution update July 2019.

Secretary Lowery provided a digital handout of the updated Constitution.

11. SDSSA Executive Board Meeting Dates.

- i. Tuesday, December 3, 2019 @ Arrowwood Cedar Shore @ 6:00 p.m.
 - 1. Wednesday, December 4, 2019 @ Arrowwood Cedar Shore @ 10:00 a.m. (statewide meeting of superintendents).
- ii. Tuesday, February 4, 2020 @ Pierre Red Rossa @ 10:00 a.m.
- iii. Tuesday, April 7, 2020 @ Arrowwood Cedar Shore @ 9:00 a.m. (before SASD Executive Board meeting).
- iv. Sunday, July 14, 2020 @ Arrowwood Cedar Shore @ 6:00 p.m.

12. Next meeting: Tuesday, December 3, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m. (Arrowwood Cedar Shore).

President Nebelsick reminded the SDSSA Executive Board that their next meeting is set for Tuesday, December 3 at 6:00 p.m. at Arrowwood Cedar Shore.

13. Adjournment.

A motion was made by Tom Cameron, seconded by Summer Schultz to adjourn the meeting. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted: Jennifer N Lowery