

STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION

MINUTES OF MEETING

October 8, 2019

Members of the State Board of Public School Education met in the Peace Garden Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, Tuesday, October 8, 2019. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Brian Duchscherer at 1:01 PM. The following State Board members were in attendance for the meeting:

Dr. Brian Duchscherer

Ms. Sonia Meehl

Mr. Jeff Fastnacht

Mr. Josh Johnson

Dr. Steven Holen

Ms. Maria Effertz Hanson

Superintendent Kirsten Baesler

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Fastnacht moved that the minutes of the September 16, 2019 meeting be approved. Superintendent Baesler seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF RECORD, DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ANNEXATION (HARDCASTLE PETITION):

The State Board members reviewed the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order completed by the Williams County Reorganization Committee, for the annexation of a part of Williams County School District #8 to Williston District #1 (Hardcastle petition). A motion was made by Mr. Fastnacht to approve the Hardcastle annexation of a portion of the Williams County School District #8 to Williston #1 based on the following Findings of Fact:

- 1) This annexation affects one family on one lot.
- 2) The per-student taxable valuation is reasonable.
- 3) There was no opposition at the county level.
- 4) Students are presently attending Williston District #1.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Holen.

Result of roll call vote:

Dr. Holen – aye

Ms. Effertz Hanson – absent for this vote

Superintendent Baesler – aye

Mr. Johnson – aye

Ms. Meehl – aye

Mr. Fastnacht – aye

Dr. Duchscherer – aye

Motion carried unanimously.

**FINAL APPROVAL OF DRAFT FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSION OF LAW, AND ORDER,
FOR THE FOLLOWING ANNEXATION (MOGUS PETITION)**

The State Board members reviewed the draft Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Amended Order as prepared by Allyson Hicks, Assistant Attorney General, for the annexation of a part of Williams County School District #8 to Nesson School District #2 (Mogus Petition). Motion was made by Ms. Meehl to approve the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order, with the correction of the placement of a comma on page 5. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:

Ms. Effertz Hanson – aye

Mr. Johnson – aye

Dr. Holen – aye

Mr. Fastnacht – aye

Ms. Meehl – aye

Superintendent Baesler – aye

Dr. Duchscherer – aye

Motion carried unanimously.

REA AUDIT PRESENTATION

- a) GNWEC – Brian Lawton presented the audit for GNWEC. Mr. Lawton reported that any irregularities that were found have been or are being addressed.

Motion made by Ms. Effertz Hanson to approve the report from Mr. Lawton on behalf of GNWEC. The motion was seconded by Ms. Meehl.

Result of roll call vote:

Dr. Holen – aye

Mr. Fastnacht – aye

Ms. Meehl – aye

Superintendent Baesler – aye

Dr. Duchscherer – aye

Ms. Effertz Hanson – aye

Mr. Johnson - aye

Motion carried unanimously.

Future meeting dates were presented as such:

- a) Monday, November 18, 2019 at 1:00 (if needed)
- b) Monday, December 16, 2019 (if needed)

There being no other business brought before the board, the meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m.