Dakota CUSD #201 Board Meeting Summary April 2018

Below are some board actions/highlights from the regularly scheduled board meeting held on April 17, 2018.

Approved 2018-2019 Keep Dakota Proud! Plan

After developing and reviewing the draft plan over the past few months, the school board approved the 2018-2019 Keep Dakota Proud! Plan. The plan identifies the areas and initiatives where the district will primarily devote its resources. The areas highlighted in yellow are ones that will receive the highest priority for the 2018-2019 school year. The initiatives will also be implemented as resources become available. The following initiatives are scheduled to be addressed as most urgent in preparation for next year:

- K-8 ELA Common Core curriculum study and recommendation is anticipated to be executed in May
- 2. Review and approve tuition support policy for dual credit in May/June
- 3. Commitment to CareerTec enrollment expansion in May
- 4. Post and solicit for 1 FTE counselor position in April/May

The other initiatives will either be recommended and/or evaluated as funding and time permits.

Approved updates to board policy and agreement with IASB for PRESS Plus with IASB

The school board approved the recommended policy updates from the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) policy service. The updates were primarily due to changes in school code and or legislation. The board also approved policy updates in the areas of educational support staff, random drug testing for extra-curricular activities and alternative course credits to be consistent with current practice. The PRESS Plus agreement service with IASB provides updates to the customized board policy that the board completed last year. This service ensures that all updates to the board policy manual are done each time the board approves updates or makes changes. The cost of the service is \$1,795 annually.

Approved catastrophic insurance renewal

The school board approved an annual renewal for catastrophic insurance. The policy is required by the Illinois High School Association (IHSA). The policy

provides coverage for students in the event of a catastrophic injury taking place at school, school events or to and from school activities. The cost of the renewal is \$1.460.

Reviewed draft of 2018-2019 student fees

The board reviewed a draft schedule of student fees for the 2018-2019 school year for lunch prices, student registration and activity fees for next year. The board also reviewed a regional survey of what other district charge for fees. A recommendation for fees is expected at the May meeting.

Reviewed building and grounds staffing and positions

Mr. Prusator shared that with a recent resignation in the building and grounds department, the administration will go through the process of evaluating positions and determine if there is a more efficient, cost effective way to organize and staff the building and grounds department. A recommendation is expected at the May meeting.

Personnel Actions

Person	Action
Randy Suttman	Accepted resignation
Susan Steiner	Accepted resignation
Charity Rhode	Accepted resignation
Sarah Rampey	Approved voluntary
	transfer to JH language
	arts
Colby Dace	Employed as high school
	science teacher
Amanda Elmer	Employed as JH/HS PE
	and health teacher
Kim Toelke	Employed as high school
	head volleyball coach
Doug Visel	Approved retirement
	contract effective end of
	2021-2022

Next regularly scheduled board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 17th.

