

MINUTES
DOUGLAS SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Monday, March 23, 2026

The Douglas School District No. 51-1 Board of Education held a Regular meeting on Monday, March 23, 2026 at 5:00 PM in the library conference room at Vandenberg Elementary School, Box Elder, South Dakota. President Tanya Gray presided. Those present were:

Ben Frerichs: Present, Tanya Gray: Present, Amy McGovern: Present, Chris Misselt: Present, Tonya Welch: Present. Jo Anne Mulholland: Alternate Associate Board member, present.

All actions in these Minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise stated.

President Tanya Gray called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

There was nothing for public forum.

Approved Regular Board Meeting Minutes of March 23, 2026.

Approved Personnel Action for March 23, 2026. (Attachment)

Approved February Financial Reports. (Attachment)

Approved the Accounts Payable Report. (Attachment)

Approved Second Reading of the following board policies:

New Board Policy GCB-R(1) - National Board Certified Teachers

Revised Board Policy Exhibit IKFC-E - Online Learning Agreement

There were no conflicts disclosed as defined in SDCL 3-23.

Superintendent Items:

Superintendent Kevin Case reviewed the Classified Listening Session process and classified staff input.

Fiscal Resources Items:

Operational Support Services Items:

Informational Reading of following policies:

Revised School Board Policy KG - Community Use of School Facilities

Revised Board Regulation KG-R - Facility Use

Revised Board Exhibit KG-E(1) - Facility Use Agreement

Revised Board Exhibit KG-E(2) - Facility Use Fees

Executive Director of Operational Support Services, Tim Kusters shared proposed updates to Board Policy KG- Community Use of School Facilities and its accompanying regulations and exhibits by aligning them with ASBSD language and current practices. The revisions clarify expectations for facility access, liability, supervision, and fee structures while establishing a standardized digital reservation process through the District's online platform. These updates improve administrative efficiency, ensure compliance with state law, and provide clearer guidance for community organizations seeking to use District facilities.

Reports:

Superintendent Kevin Case briefly commented on the recent Parent/Caregiver Survey results which parents had the opportunity to complete during parent-teacher conferences. This is part of the district's work with Studer Education. The percentage scores on the Top Two Boxes increased, as well as a substantial increase in the Net Promoter Score. The results show what we worked on from last year's survey is still what parents want. When we focus on one thing and do it well, everything else will also increase. The results are consistent across the district.

Superintendent Kevin Case and Business Manager Trista Olney attended the Spring NAFIS conference in Washington DC. While there, Superintendent Case met with the leadership of the OLDCC office who are encouraging the district to apply for the DCIP grant for \$20 million to supplement the new elementary school construction project. South Dakota's federal delegation, comprised of Senator Rounds, Senator Thune and Representative Dusty Johnson, have shown strong support for our district, our kids, and our families. We are excited the federal budget money is coming, yet the process takes time. In the meantime, we are working on communication with the community.

Committee Reports from Board Members and Comments from Associate Board Members

Ben Frerichs commented that it was super exciting to be part of the district process from the

beginning on the building projects and funding.

Jo Anne Mulholland said, Thank you for the Month of the Military Child Proclamations supporting our military and dependents.

Amy McGovern gave updates from the Box Elder Area Chamber of Commerce meeting: there will be a Job Fair on April 15; the Air & Space Museum will re-open this week; Auto Zone will open soon; and a Taco Bell is coming. She was glad to be part of the work on the Portrait of a Graduate.

Tanya Gray reminded board members to complete the succession planning google form.

President Tanya Gray called the Board out of executive session at 6:03 p.m.

No action taken.

Tanya Gray, President

Trista Olney, Business Manager

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