

MINUTES
DOUGLAS SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Monday, June 9, 2025

The Douglas School District No. 51-1 Board of Education held a Regular meeting on Monday, June 9, 2025 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. Ben Frerichs: Present via Zoom; Paul Koecher: Associate Member, Present; Jo Anne Mulholland: Associate Member Alternate, 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 May 27, 2025.

Approved Personnel Action for May 27, 2025. (Attachment)

Approved the Accounts Payable Report for May 30 and the May Payroll Report.
(Attachments)

Approved declaring equipment and curriculum items as surplus. (Surplus for sale or discard)

Approved Douglas School District Club Recognition Agreement for Varsity Hockey for the 2025-26 school year.

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

Elementary and Secondary Curriculum and Instruction Items:

Information was provided on the 2025-26 Academic School calendar which was originally approved by the Board at its November 12, 2024 meeting. The proposed date for senior graduation is Sunday, May 17, 2026. Board members were asked to give consideration to 1)

explore ways to extend spring break; and 2) revise Veterans Day observance. Board action will be taken at a future meeting.

Information was provided on two different proposals for the 2026-27 Academic School Calendar. Each proposed calendar maintains the key elements from previous years: consistent start and end dates aligned with past practice, including Senior Graduation; a total of 7 professional development (PD) days prior to the start of the school year; additional PD days embedded throughout the year to align with grading periods; a consistent winter break schedule; and two built-in inclement weather days. Differences were in the length of Thanksgiving break, spring break, and observance of Veterans Day.

Operational Support Services Items:

Revised Board Policy GCPD-(N) - Suspension without Pay and Dismissal of Professional Staff Members

Revised Board Policy GBN - Staff Flex Time

New Board Policy IKFB: Graduation Ceremony Decoration

New Board Policy GBED - Fragrance Free Workplace

Reports:

Committee Reports from Board Members and Comments From Associate Board Members

Trista Olney and Kevin Case will be at the Summer MISA (Military Impacted Schools Association) Conference the week of June 23.

Tanya Gray asked members for comments on any committee changes for next school year. The board usually decides representation at the organizational meeting each year.

Tanya Gray, President

Trista Olney, Business Manager

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