

MINUTES
DOUGLAS SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Monday, April 13, 2026

The Douglas School District No. 51-1 Board of Education held a Regular meeting on Monday, April 13, 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: Absent, Tonya Welch: Present. Jo Ann 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.

Superintendent Kevin Case commented on the district's participation in Purple Up for Military Children Day on Friday. Staff in the buildings did different things to recognize our military students.

There was nothing for public forum.

Approved Regular Meeting Minutes for March 23, 2026.

Approved Personnel Action for April 13, 2026. (Attachment)

Approved Accounts Payable Report and March 2026 Payroll Report. (Attachments)

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

Approved contract with Dakota Testing and Engineering LLC (DTE) for soil testing at Douglas Middle School in the amount of \$20,880.00.

Elementary and Secondary Curriculum and Instruction Items:

Executive Director of Secondary Academics Courtney Crosswait highlighted some high school changes for this year and 2026-27. This year all juniors were required to take the ACT test, replacing the former SBAC testing. Looking forward to next school year, the high school bell schedule will change to accommodate time for teacher to have Professional Learning Communities and intervention and advisory time for students. Seniors will complete a Capstone project.

High School Assistant Principal Sean Gholson presented the final draft of the Portrait of a Graduate. A committee of 30 plus administrators, staff, community members, and parents/guardians have spent the last 6–8 months developing the Portrait of A Graduate concept. It gives clear direction for staff, students, and parents in describing essential skills that Douglas graduates should possess. It includes a K-12 vision for all learners and can be used to direct instruction and improvement. As a result of its work, the committee's recommendation will come to the school board for approval at its next meeting.

Superintendent Items:

Fiscal Resources Items:

Operational Support Services Items:

Reports:

Committee Reports from Board Members and Comments from Associate Board Members

Jo Anne Mulholland thanked everyone for supporting our military families.

Tanya Gray reported the highlights of her recent ASBSD board meeting and how Douglas had a lot to talk about for community engagement.

President Tanya Gray called the board out of executive session at 6:15 p.m.

Tanya Gray, President

Trista Olney, Business Manager

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