

Sisseton Wahpeton College
Regular Meeting
Classrooms 1 and 2.
Board of Trustees Minutes
6/18/2024

Meeting called to order at 5:05 PM.

Roll Call:

Big Coulee	Marijo Keeble	Present
Buffalo Lake	Heather Larsen	Present
Enemy Swim	Janell Williams	Present
Lake Traverse	Jessica Redthunder	Present
Long Hollow	Izola Flyinghorse	Present
Old Agency	Joey Bird	Present
Heipa	Marie Renville	Present
Tribal Council Ex. Officio	Gypsy Wanna	Via Zoom
Student Council	None	Absent

Other Present: President Dr. Erica C. Holmes, VPSS Vince Owen, VPAA , CFO Jennifer Pelzel, Human Resource Manager Deb Anderson and Sisseton Wahpeton College Recorder Lauren E. Owen.

Opening Prayer given by Joey Bird.

Chairwoman Williams called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM.

Roll call was taken and a quorum was established.

Motion 1: Motion made by Trustee Flyinghorse to approve agenda with campus tour postponed.
Second by Trustee Renville. Question by Trustee Redthunder. Motion voted passed.

Chairwoman Williams opened the floor for public comment and there were none.

MOU's- mentioned by Trustee Williams, Board of Trustees Chairwoman.

Ex. Officio Wanna asked if the MOU's were every two years and VPSS Owen answered with three years.

Reading of the Mission Statement.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Board of Trustees Chairwoman Williams Reported:

Chairwoman Williams did not have anything to report.

She asked if the board had anything and there were none.

Board Retreat Overview:

Members of the board enjoyed the retreat.

It was noted that a board manual is needed.

President Holmes provided a copy of the Strategic Planning Questionnaire for the board to see if goals are still relevant to this board and to adopt those goals.

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A discussion was held about the staggered terms of the board.

MOU's listed:

Dual/Bridge pr. Wilmot and SWC - New (in progress, mirrors TZ agreement)

Dual/Bridge pr. TZ and SWC - still have one year left.

Tribal Realty and SWC - MOU to build tiny homes (in progress).

VPSS Owen said the MOU - to benefit accuplacer/to get more students. Will be offered to all local schools. In regards to the Realty MOU, SWC was approached by Realty to build tiny homes for the elderly and scholarships will be involved providing material and will move them. The designed planned site for the tiny homes will be near IHS and projects 6 houses over 3 years time. The recommended scholarship for each student is \$500.00 per student.

CONSENT AGENDA

College Reports:

President Holmes gave her monthly Report:

- Acknowledge work at retreat.
- Outlining goals for Strategic Plan.
- Continuing community outreach.
- Planning for Fall, hoping to hit 220.
- Finalizing data report on student success.
- A discussion of a SFI MOU was held and it was noted that ongoing research activities are a part of the MOU so it would need to be presented to the SWO Research office.

CFO Report:

- Upgrading Jenzabar to JL Web.
- Attending free Eide Bailly Webinars.
- She had attended the JAM conference.
- Learning new financial software synoptix.
- Draw downs are complete by the end of month.
- Trustee requested to receive all budgets unrestricted and grant funding and the CFO will work on expanding those reports to the board.

HR Report:

- Changes with positions.
- Learning lab supervisor.
- Discussion was held on where positions are being advertised. Positions are advertised on the college website, Facebook, higher ed jobs, some in sota, mentioned to put on SWO App.

VPAA Report:

- 87 enrolled for summer semester, 50 from SWO for summer semester
- 19 bridge students and 9 are native
- Julie presented the Dakota Studies report and the Nursing report.

VPSS Report:

- Remodeling will take place in the front entrance area or currently referred to the computer science lab area in front. Offices will be more accommodating for students in their enrollment process.
- Flandreau Indian School will be touring the college this year.

- Placement testing is going well.
- The learning lab supervisor is the only GED tester.
 - GED testing will continue once the learning lab supervisor position is filled.
 - Vince is committed to helping with the GED process and will acquire certification if need be.
- The orientation process for the fall is still underway in the Pathways course.

(Ex. Officio Wanna out at 6:02 PM)

ACTION ITEMS

Action Item: Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting for May 21, 2024 and Special Meeting Minutes for June 4, 2024.

Motion 2: Motion made by Trustee Bird to approve the May 21, 2024 Regular Meeting minutes. Second by Trustee Redthunder. Question by Trustee Flyinghorse. Motion voted passed. 6/0 (Trustee Keeble not voting.)

Motion 3: Motion made by Trustee Flyinghorse to approve the June 4, 2024 Special Meeting minutes. Second by Trustee Larsen. Question by Trustee Redthunder. Motion voted passed. 6/0 (Trustee Keeble not voting.)

Motion 4: Motion made by Trustee Larsen to approve the Ability to Benefit changes. Second by Trustee Redthunder. Question by Trustee Bird. Motion voted passed. 7/0

Motion 5: Motion made by Trustee Keeble to approve the Student Classification update referring to dual credit/dual enrollment. Second by Trustee Bird. Question by Trustee Flyinghorse. Motion voted passed.

DISTRICT CONCERNS

Motion 6: Motion made by Trustee Bird to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Trustee Redthunder. Question by Trustee Larsen. Motion voted passed. 7/0

Big Coulee:

It was noted that students could benefit from electrician/plumber programs and a drop in daycare for students partnering with Little Steps for this.

- President Holmes informed them that she has been identifying space for electrician/plumbing classes. Will need feasibility data and instructors. Also mentioning possible welding.

Buffalo Lake: Did not have a meeting.

Enemy Swim: Did not have a meeting.

Heipa: Dr. Holmes came to the district meeting and it was good.

Lake Traverse: Mentioned to have Dr. Holmes attend the next regular meeting.

Long Hollow: None

Board of Trustees Approves on July 16, 2024: Motion # 2.

Old Agency: Meeting postponed.

Motion 7: Motion made by Trustee Bird to adjourn. Second by Trustee Redthunder.

Meeting adjourned at 6:34 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Recorder, Lauren E. Owen.