

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING FORT TOTTEN SCHOOL BOARD May 21, 2024

A regular meeting of the Fort Totten School Board was held May 21, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. with a quorum by P. WalkingEagle. Present: Felicia Greywater, Patricia WalkingEagle, Lisa Greywater. Present via Teams: ReNa Lohnes, Vicki Beckstrom, Kristi Black, Laurie Elliot, Nathan Presnell, Charmain, Felix D., Bobbi. Absent: Donna Black-Graywater. Others: Jeff Olson, Christina Anderson, Dan Willert, Janet Dion, Lynette Lovejoy, Dale Alberts, Jessica Alberts, Kayla Robertson, Dennis Brusven.

P. WalkingEagle requested a motion to approve the agenda. R. Lohnes asked why Lynette Lovejoy and Shantel DuBois were removed from the final agenda since they were on the draft agenda. P. WalkingEagle stated that she would like something in writing as a courtesy so the board can know prior to the meeting. R. Lohnes asked if they followed the proper procedure to get on the agenda. Olson stated yes. A motion was made by L. Greywater to approve the agenda and add Lynette Lovejoy as part of 7f., seconded by F. Greywater. Four in favor, one absent, the motion carried.

A motion was made by F. Greywater to approve minutes for April 3, 2024, April 9, 2024 and April 16, 2024, seconded by L. Greywater. Four in favor, one absent, the motion carried.

Olson presented student outcome goal 1 -- reading and goal 2 -- math.

Goal Progress Measure 1.1 -- The percentage of 9th and 10th grade students at or above benchmark on STAR interim reading assessments will increase from 6% in June 2023 to 50% in June 2028. The data shows that 9th grade has increased from 5% to 17% and 10th grade has increased from 5% to 20%. The 9th graders fell short and the 10th graders exceeded

the target of 18% set for 2024. 1.2 -- The percentage of 9th-10th graders proficient as measured by Read 180 data will increase from 15% in June 2023 to 50% in June 2028. The data shows that 9th and 10th grade decreased from 15% to 13%. The student fell short of the target of 24% set for 2024. Goal 2 -- Math Goal Progress Measures 2.1 -- The percentage of 10th grade students at or above benchmark on STAR interim math assessments will increase from 35% in June 2023 to 60% in June 2028. The data shows that students went from 41% to 50%. This exceeds the target of 42% set for 2024. 2.2 -- The percentage of 10th grade students at or above level on Math 180 assessments will increase from 7% in June 2023 to 50% in June 2028. Students increased from 41% to 45%. This goal exceeds the target of 18% set for 2024. P. WalkingEagle will work the tribal school board to set up a joint meeting. A motion was made by L. Greywater to approve the consent agenda, seconded by F. Greywater. All in favor, the motion carried.

GENERAL FUND Admin Partners ..... \$125.00 Aflac ..... 9,929.53 Alderman, Taylor ..... 21.44 Altru Clinic-LR ..... 95.00 Amazon.com ..... 942.07 Anderson, Christina ..... 1,251.10 Bakers Dozen ..... 66.00 BC Farmers Press ..... 44.25 Benz, Stacy ..... 383.10 Bergstrom Electric, Inc. ..... 289.86 Blue Cross Blue Shield of ND ..... 97,587.30 Cognia ..... 650.00 Comfort Inn & Suites ..... 192.60 Dacotah Paper Co. C,F,P ..... 2,236.58 Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch ..... 5,757.00 Dakota Business

Solutions ..... 211.00 Dakota Dust-Tex ..... 1,946.80 Davidson, David ..... 140.70 Devils Lake Cars ..... 159.77 Digital Office Centre ..... 38.00 Double Z Broadcasting ..... 770.50 eGoldFax ..... 60.98 Estenson, Megan ..... 103.44 Farmers Union Oil Cenex ..... 4,145.98 Heart of America Medical Center ..... 153.81 Herff Jones, LLC ..... 1,324.61 Holiday Inn Express & Suites ..... 674.10 Jaymar Business Forms, Inc. ..... 985.66 Klemetsrud Plumbing & Heating Co. .... 2,048.24 Krantz's Floral ..... 55.00 Laducer, Linus ..... 300.00 Marco ..... 29.66 McGraw-Hill ..... 4,882.33 Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. .... 977.25 ND Public Employees Retirement System ..... 5,165.76 ND Telephone Co. .... 851.05 Nearpod, LLC ..... 13,200.00 ND United ..... 5,549.77 Office & Technology ..... 3,620.24 Otter Tail Power Co. .... 785.64 Paul's C-Store & Gas ..... 2,836.22 Pearce & Durick ..... 795.00 Pearson Assessment ..... 1,935.90 Quadient Postage Fund ..... 310.10 Ripple Effects ..... 7,000.00 Schauer & Associates ..... 15,800.00 School Nurse Supply ..... 287.44 Software Unlimited ..... 9,100.00 Somerville-Dion, Janet ..... 574.20 Spirit Lake Casino & Resort ..... 1,669.16 St. Aloisius Med. Ctr. .... 477.20 Tate Topa Elem. School Time Management Systems, Inc. .... 481.62 Unum Life Insurance Co. of America ..... 334.44 WEX Health, Inc. .... 126.00 Fund Total ..... \$210,095.90 STUDENT ACTIVITY FUND Amazon.com ..... \$472.57

Benz, Stacy ..... 552.68 BSN Corp. PE ..... 1,000.00 Gate City Bank ..... 4,370.00 I Do Wedding and Events, LLC ..... 500.00 Maryanns Place, LLC ..... 850.00 Miller's Foods ..... 110.84 Northside Cafe ..... 774.09 Pauls C Store & Gas ..... 709.00 Walmart ..... 53.51 Xtreme Signs ..... 1,200.00 & Graphix ..... \$10,592.69 Fund Total ..... \$10,592.69 A motion was made by L. Greywater to approve the second reading of Policy BCAA Board Meeting Agenda and Pre-Meeting matching the five days prior to the superintendent as is policy BCBA Public Access to Meetings, seconded by F. Greywater. Four in favor, one absent, the motion carried.

A motion was made by L. Greywater to approve Ketel Thorstenon, LLP auditing contract for years 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026 and 2027, seconded by F. Greywater. Four in favor, one absent, the motion carried. A motion was made by L. Greywater to certify graduates as present and appoint F. Greywater to represent the board at graduation, seconded by F. Greywater. Four in favor, one absent, the motion carried. A motion was made by R. Lohnes to accept the resignation from R. Dutch, seconded by L. Greywater. Four in favor, one absent, the motion carried. A motion was made by R. Lohnes to hire M. Wobbema for special ed, seconded by L. Greywater. Four in favor, one absent, the motion carried. A motion was made by R. Lohnes to hire M. de la Paz for high school principal. P. WalkingEagle stated that due to no second, the motion died. R. Lohnes asked why the board would not follow the recommendation of the interview committee. P. WalkingEagle stated that board members are entitled to their own opinion and can act how

they best see fit. P. WalkingEagle then requested a motion to open the position up to the public. A motion was made by F. Greywater to open the principal position to the public, seconded by L. Greywater. Three in favor, one opposed, one absent, the motion carried. A motion was made by F. Greywater to approve the 2024-25 school calendar with May 25, 2025 as graduation, seconded by L. Greywater. Four in favor, one absent, the motion carried. Lynette Lovejoy stated the following questions: Academic probation is in every school if you look at it. It is up to the students and parents to the work in schools. How

were the percentages figured out for the superintendent and business manager evaluations? Why are teachers resigning? Why is the board allowed to go off of the agenda? Can the board president leave work to come to the school? Why is the principal leaving? Vicki Beckstrom stated, "Oh be quiet." Next meeting will be June 24, 2024. A motion was made by L. Greywater to adjourn at 6:23 p.m., seconded by F. Greywater. All in favor, the motion carried. Christina Anderson Business Manager Patricia WalkingEagle President

Showstopping cookies with a crunch



Sweet treats are a favorite food, especially when they have a unique or unusual twist that makes them stand out from the crowd. When a dessert isn't the classic chocolate or vanilla flavor, it can pique eaters' interest. Cupcakes, macarons and even pies have some intense flavors; however, it's hard to top the delightful taste of these fresh ginger cookies. They are sweet and sugary with the perfect amount of ginger. Baked until golden brown, this dessert is a showstopper for family events and celebrations alike. Even the little ones will love to munch on this sweet treat with fresh, appealing flavor. In a mixing bowl, mix flour, baking soda, ground ginger, ground cinnamon and salt until combined. In a separate bowl, add butter, sugar and brown sugar then beat until fluffy. Add an egg and fresh ginger then beat the mixture again. Gradually add dry ingredients to this mixture until combined. In a small bowl, add sugar. With a spoon, scoop out a small portion of dough and roll it into a small ball before rolling in sugar. Repeat with the remaining dough then arrange balls on a cookie sheet and bake for 14 minutes until golden brown. Make sure your little ones wait to enjoy until the cookies have cooled completely.

are satisfying and sure to turn heads in the kitchen. Find more sweet treat recipes at Culinary.net. If you made this recipe at home, use #MyCulinaryConnection on your favorite social network to share your work. Fresh Ginger Cookies Servings: 24 2 cups flour 1-1/2 teaspoons baking soda 1-1/2 teaspoons ground ginger 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon 1/8 teaspoon salt 3/4 cup salted butter, softened 1 cup, plus 3 tablespoons, sugar, divided 1/4 cup brown sugar 1 egg 1/4 cup grated fresh ginger Heat oven to 350 F. In medium bowl, whisk flour, baking soda, ground ginger, cinnamon and salt. Set aside. In stand mixer, beat butter, 1 cup sugar and brown sugar until fluffy. Add egg and fresh ginger; beat until combined. Gradually add dry ingredients to mixer until combined. In small bowl, add remaining sugar. Using spoon, portion out dough, roll into balls then roll in sugar. Arrange balls on baking sheet at least 1 inch apart. Bake 14 minutes, or until edges are golden brown. Transfer cookies to cooling rack and cool completely. --Family Features

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NOTICE OF ELECTION Notice is hereby given that the 2024 General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. Benson County is voting by mail this year, however, voters who desire to vote in person or who did not receive a vote by mail ballot, may vote on November 5, 2024 at the following vote-center locations: > Benson County Courthouse Basement, 311 B Ave. S., Minnewaukan, ND 58351 > Ft. Totten Blue Building/Community Center, 816 3rd Ave. N., Ft. Totten, ND 58335 > Warwick Public School, 210 4th Ave., Warwick, ND 58381 Please note that arrangement of candidate names on ballots in your precinct may vary from the published sample ballot. Polls will be open in the basement of the Benson County Courthouse in Minnewaukan; the Blue Building/Community Center in Ft. Totten; and the Warwick Public School in Warwick. County, district, state and federal officials will be on the ballot. Election polls will be open from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on November 5, 2024. Dated at Minnewaukan, North Dakota, this 10th day of October, 2024. Bonnie Erickson Benson County Auditor-Treasurer

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA BENSON COUNTY GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT NOVEMBER 5, 2024 To vote for the candidate of your choice, you must darken the oval (●) next to the name of that candidate. Governor and Lt. Governor Vote for no more than ONE set of names Michael (Coach) Coachman and Lydia Gessele independent nomination Merrill Piepkorn and Patrick Hart Democratic-NPL Party Kelly Armstrong and Michelle Strinden Republican Party State Auditor Vote for no more than ONE name Timothy C (Tim) Lamb Democratic-NPL Party Joshua C Gallion Republican Party State Treasurer Vote for no more than ONE name Thomas Beadle Republican Party Insurance Commissioner Vote for no more than ONE name Jon Godfread Republican Party Public Service Commissioner Vote for no more than ONE name Tracey L Wilkie Democratic-NPL Party Randy Christmann Republican Party NO-PARTY BALLOT To vote for the candidate of your choice, you must darken the oval (●) next to the name of that candidate. Superintendent of Public Instruction Vote for no more than ONE name Kirsten Baesler Jason Heitkamp Judge of the District Court No. 2 Northeast Judicial District Vote for no more than ONE name Michael Hurly Judge of the District Court No. 5 Unexpired 4-Year Term Northeast Judicial District Vote for no more than ONE name Kari M Agotness Judge of the District Court No. 6 Northeast Judicial District Vote for no more than ONE name Barbara L Whelan Continue voting other side Official Ballot BENSON COUNTY November 5, 2024 All ballots, other than those used to vote absentee, must first be initialed by appropriate election officials in order to be counted. Initials Typ:01 Seq:0001 Spl:01