Minutes Of The New Town District No. 1

NEW TOWN SCHOOL BOARD
MINUTES
OCTOBER 13, 2026

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pete Young Bird, BJ Brady, Preston Danks (via phone), DJ Driver (via phone), and Marietta Heart (via phone)

PRESENT: 5

OTHERS PRESENT: Marc Bluestone, Jeff Thake, Nancy Reimer, Jackie Wollschlager, Orrin Weyrauch, Tanya Houle, Devontae Riley, Tom Hale, Sharon Dana, Amy Dana, Tom Hale, and Jenell Bear.

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda. This motion, made by Marietta Heart and seconded by BJ Brady, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea

Yea: 4; Nay: 0

3. Community Input

Tom Hale - New Football Field's proposed name - dedicated to Scott Eagle.

4. Principal Reports

Jenell Bear presented the elementary report.

Amy Dana presented the middle school report.

Devontae Riley presented the high school report.

5. Athletic Director Report

Orrin Weyrauch presented the athletic director's report.

Request for schedules.

Request for coaches evaluations.

Catlin Sitting Bear arrived at 6:17 p.m.

6. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from the September 8, 2026 and the September 21, 2026 meetings. This motion, made by DJ Driver and seconded by BJ Brady, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea

Yea: 4; Nay: 0

7. Open Enrollments/Tuition Agreements

There are none at this time.

Mr. Brady stepped out at 6:29 p.m. and returned at 6:31 p.m.

8. Financial Reports and Bill Sets

Motion to approve the financial report and bill set. This motion, made by BJ Brady and seconded by DJ Driver, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea

Yea: 4; Nay: 0

9. Approval of Teacher Contract for the 2026-2027 School Year

Motion to approve the amended contract of Valiente Guevarra for $71,741 with a MS+32 and 16.5 years' experience. This motion, made by Marietta Heart and seconded by BJ Brady, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea

Yea: 4; Nay: 0

Motion to approve the teaching contract of Sara Jane Lim for $46,219 (139.5 days) with a BS+40 and 10 years' experience. This motion, made by Marietta Heart and seconded by BJ Brady, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea

Yea: 4; Nay: 0

10. Tyra DeCoteau Sick Leave Donation Request

Motion to approve the donations of up to 30 days sick leave to Tyra DeCoteau by any employee in the district. This motion, made by BJ Brady and seconded by Marietta Heart, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea

Yea: 4; Nay: 0

11. Approval KAAB-School Volunteer Program Policy (First Reading)

Motion to approve the first reading of policy KAAB - School Volunteer Project Policy. This motion, made by DJ Driver and seconded by Preston Danks, carried.

BJ Brady: Abstain (With Conflict); Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea

Yea: 3; Nay: 0; Abstain (With Conflict): 1

12. Superintendent Report

Marc Bluestone gave the superintendent's report.

Consent to order more metal detector towers.

Discussion of fencing.

Discussion of paraprofessionals riding full buses.

Consent to move the IPP meeting to November 19.

13. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting. This motion, made by DJ Driver and seconded by BJ Brady, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea

Yea: 4; Nay: 0

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Pete Young Bird
Board President

Nancy Reimer
Business Manager

BILLS:

GENERAL FUND: AIRE-MASTER OF ND 987.75; AMERICAN WELDING & GAS, INC. 241.56; AMITY INSTITUTE, LTD 3,000.00; ANNE CARLSEN CENTER 7,231.06; AURORA MENTAL HEALTH, PLLC 1,200.00; BARBARA REESE CONSULTING, LLC 4,780.50; BISMARCK PUBLIC SCHOOLS 125.00; BLUESTONE, MARC 603.42; CASTANEDA, ANGELINE 2,262.50; CDW GOVERNMENT, INC. 35.70; CITY OF NEW TOWN 2,777.52; COAST TO COAST COMPUTER PRODUCTS, INC 3,574.87; COLE PAPERS INC. 5,475.11; COLSTRIP ELECTRIC, INC. 4,933.60; COUNTRY INN & SUITES BY RADISSON 2,054.14; DAKOTA BACK AND NECK CLINIC 480.00; DAKOTA DUST-TEX, INC. 1,329.98; DRAGSWOLF, REVERTA 149.95; ECKROTH MUSIC 428.00; ECOLAB PEST ELIMINATION INC. 414.31; ELECTRO WATCHMAN, INC. 1,954.80; ETSYSTEMS, INC. 3,505.36; EVERSPRING INN & SUITES 1,559.40; FLAG POLE GUY 1,603.00; G & P COMMERCIAL SALES 2,109.02; H. A. THOMPSON & SONS, INC 5,154.74; HAMPTON INN & SUITES BISMARCK NORTHWEST 1,017.00; HARLOW'S BUS SALES, INC. - BISMARCK 5,552.24; IRWIN LAW

FIRM, LLC 4,890.00; IVER'S PLUMBING, INC. 1,000.00; JAYMAR BUSINESS FORMS, INC. 148.53; JOURNEY MENTAL HEALTH 21,200.00; LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT INC 5,205.88; MAINSTAY SUITES 904.00; MENARDS - MINOT 69.66; MIDAMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL 3,069.48; MINOT PLUMBING & HEATING 28,338.30; MOUNTRAIL COUNTY PROMOTER 314.34; MOUNTRAIL-WILLIAMS ELECTRIC 20,716.08; NAPA AUTO PARTS 717.59; NATIVE PRIDE 17,128.21; NEW TOWN JACK & JILL 1,071.64; NISHU BAY K9 SERVICES 1,541.16; NORTH SEGMENT QUICK LUBE 78.00; NOVA FIRE PROTECTION, INC. 995.00; ORTEGA, ZIPPORAH 83.00; PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL 176.52; REALLY GOOD STUFF, INC. 76.91; REESE, DONNA 120.00; REIMER, NANCY 100.00; RESERVATION TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE 4,236.77; ROBOVENT 629.16; SATERMO HARDWARE 176.74; SCHMIDT, LAURA 261.83; SCHOCK'S SAFE & LOCK, INC. 1,607.55; SCHOLASTIC INC. 636.56; SMART COMPUTERS & CONSULTING 3,225.00; SOTER TECHNOLOGIES, LLC 100.00; STANLEY WELDING & RENTAL LLC 312.86; THAKE, JEFFREY 100.00; THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES 45,000.00; TWOTREES TECHNOLOGIES 8,325.04; UNITED QUALITY COOPERATIVE 15,305.14; UPWRITE 1,395.00; VERIZON 30.81; VESTIS 4,768.99; VILLANO, CHRISTINE 243.75; VISA 1,601.55; WM CORPORATE SERVICES, INC 2,466.32; WORKFORCE SAFETY & INSURANCE 201.61; FUND TOTAL: $263,109.51

CAPITOL PROJECTS FUND: 4D CONSTRUCTION LLC 1,100.00; COLSTRIP ELECTRIC, INC. 3,164.45; CORLAND CONSTRUCTION LLC 117,075.04; EAPC ARCHITECTS ENGINEERS 17,225.07; FIRST DAKOTA ENTERPRISES INC. 112,978.39; H. A. THOMPSON & SONS, INC 9,267.00; PREMIER ENTERPRIZES INC (PREMIER AUDIO) 12,909.00; WHITE HORSE BUILDERS LLC 195,750.00; FUND TOTAL: $469,468.95

HOT LUNCH FUND: CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING 972.83; DEPT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION 5,068.36; NEW TOWN JACK & JILL 223.16; SYSCO NORTH DAKOTA 55,511.42; VESTIS 4,107.79; FUND TOTAL: $65,883.56

TRUST AND AGENCY AND RENTAL FUND: CITY OF NEW TOWN 2,714.53; FOUR BEARS COMMUNITY BOARD 509.88; GLASS DOCTOR OF MINOT 98.76; MCRANDALL MOBILE GLASS 330.00; MENARDS - MINOT 1,608.00; MINOT PLUMBING & HEATING 1,245.00; MOUNTRAIL-WILLIAMS ELECTRIC 3,732.92; NOVA FIRE PROTECTION, INC. 870.00; RESERVATION TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE (463.09); RODRIGUEZ, IRIS 612.90; SATERMO HARDWARE 260.44; SCHOCK'S SAFE & LOCK, INC. 60.00; UNITED QUALITY COOPERATIVE 2,477.72; WM CORPORATE SERVICES, INC 738.72; FUND TOTAL: $14,795.78; CHECKING ACCOUNT TOTAL: $813,257.80