

District 5 Quarterly Meeting – Minutes

Tuesday July 28, 2026

Coleman, SD

11:00 AM

Those present were Jacob Brehmer & Reid Squires of Brookings County. Whitney Sams, Alicia Deschepper & Andy Kompelien of Moody County, Barb Esser & Autumn Glanzer of Miner County, Tammy Anderson & Maggie Purinton of Kingsbury County. Minnehaha County & Lake County were absent, but provided notes to share on the agenda.

-new employee introductions

Autumn was introduced as the new Deputy Director in Miner County. They will also be hiring a Clerk to be shared time with the Auditor's office.

Thomas Pauli started with Brookings County on June 29th. He was in Codington County prior to joining Brookings.

Lake County has filled their open Appraiser position, with a new employee starting August 3rd.

Minnehaha County has (3) staff appraisers that will not be renewing their CAA as they forecast for upcoming retirements.

-owner occupied legislation

Many counties were granting OO status to all buildings on NA properties, which was not in compliance with Legislation. Due to new legislation, these counties are now in compliance. Any county that was splitting accessory buildings off to a NA, non-OO class will have to make changes to be in compliance.

Chris is working on cleaning up the owner occupied verbiage between the SDCL definitions for Elderly Freeze & Owner Occupied.

-abstract submission

Everyone was finally able to submit Abstract materials to DOR through Catalis. Incode users were working with both vendors to find a solution as to why reports were correct as they were exported out of Incode, but could not get a pass rating on the Catalis submission. This has now been resolved as Brookings County successfully uploaded just this morning. Some counties have recently received notification of approval from Robin @ DOR.

- summer reappraisal projects

Kingsbury is working on a 10-year review cycle, currently reappraisal on lake properties & small town residential.

Moody is finishing rural residential review carried over from last year.

Miner is focusing on training new employees or current employees in new roles, will review small town residential when training is complete.

Brookings started this spring with mobile home reappraisal. After they moved to lake properties, and will finish with apartments countywide.

Lake is working with focused areas of commercial review, as well as improved lake properties. Cori did note that she is experiencing a higher than normal rate of no response, or refusal to comply with property owners. After discussion, this appears to be an isolated incident to Lake County in particular.

-upcoming education opportunities

Tammy touched on the fall school schedule & class offerings. Jacob mentioned the summer offering of IAAO 402 Property Tax Policy was a great course, with much class discussion and real-world case studies. Pennington County recently hosted an online education session in relation to ag classification, specifically challenges that are presented with timber & horses and whether they should or should not be a qualifying ag use of property.

-New Productivity Numbers

All counties have received new productivity numbers from DOR. In our District, Crop changes ranged from -9.30% to +5.06% & Grass changes ranged from 1.72% to 5.99%. Statewide average is +5.48% Crop & +2.60% for Grass. Don't forget to apply these productivity numbers for 2027 in your systems!

Motion to adjourn by Tammy Anderson, 2nd by Reid Squires. Chairperson Jacob Brehmer declared the meeting adjourned @ 12:30 pm.