

# District 1 Meeting

## *Bison, SD December 18, 2023*

District 1 Meeting was held December 18, 2023, at 10:30 am in Bison, SD.

Present were Corina Kocer and Todd Lutters (Perkins), Cristina Wilson, Johnna Ramirez & Stephanie Lippincott (Butte), Zoe Olson (Dewey), Ashton Giannonatti (Harding), Amy Schriock (Corson), Misty Williams (Ziebach), and Rownea Gerbracht (Vanguard).

The meeting was called to order at 9:48 am.

Motion made by Amy to approve the December 16, 2023, agenda. Seconded by Corina. Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion made by Ashton to approve May 3, 2023, minutes. Seconded by Cristina. Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

### Introduction of new staff

- Stephanie (Steph) from Butte County was introduced. The rest of the members introduced themselves and discussed Christmas plans and other current events.

### Executive Meeting Update

- Update of October executive meeting. School will now grant a 50% refund for any reason within 6 weeks before school begins. Conferences will still be on a case-by-case basis during the 6-week window.

### Topic's Ideas

- Discussion on ideas for school's topics class to be brought back to the Board of Education. Ideas included abstract/intentions, ag buildings, off grid homes, how to set land values, materials (both interior and exterior), style of building affecting grade, and process sheets (real world help that you can take back to the office).

### Sales Ratio Discussion

- Experiences were shared over how counties are doing/did with the State's new system. Some problems were discussed. Discussion turned to how counties in District 1 are handling splits after October 31<sup>st</sup>. Decided directors should investigate it themselves and do what works for their county.

### Workshop Ideas

- Workshop credits are available if we have education during District meetings. Ideas for education ideas were discussed, including Excel, Vanguard, and materials (basics to upgrades, exterior and interior). Ideas were shared about visiting a hardware store, mills, construction sites, and mobile home manufacturing. Zoe will investigate options so the next district meeting can include one or more of the previous ideas. Places mentioned included multiple spots in Harding County and Fort Pierre. Looking to take place next Spring, before reappraisals.

### Continuing Newsletters

- Thoughts on talking to Carrie (SDAAO President) to continue her newsletters and add some features from Corina's Newsletters. Brandy was not present at the meeting, but the group informally elected her to take over District 1's Newsletter responsibilities, with Zoe assisting. Updates to follow.

### County Photo Updates

- Counties asked to take updated photos of current staff to update SDAAO website. Photos can be sent to Zoe or to Jacob Brehmer at Brookings at [JBrehmer@brookingscountysd.gov](mailto:JBrehmer@brookingscountysd.gov).

Motion made by Corina to adjourn. Seconded Cristina. Vote Unanimous. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 12:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

Zoe Olson

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