



Meeting Minutes
November 10, 2025, 9:00 am (CT)
Ramkota Hotel, 3200 W Maple, Sioux Falls, SD 57401

Members:

Present Phyllis Heineman
 Jean Moulton
 Linda Olsen
 Rich Meyer, Vice President
 Steven Perkins, President
 Greg Von Wald Tonia
 Warzecha

DOE Staff: Joseph Graves, Amanda LaCroix, Kristin Berger, Laura Scheibe, Shannon Malone,
 Jordan Cromwell, Hayley Miller, Shana Davis, Beth Scheider, Kasey Williams

Others: Members of the public

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call

The South Dakota Board of Education Standards (BOES) was called to order by President Perkins at approximately 9:00 a.m. CT.

Adoption of Agenda

Motion by Von Wald second by Heineman to adopt the November 10, 2025, agenda. Voice vote. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Heineman, Moulton, Olsen, Meyer, Von Wald, Warzecha, and Perkins.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Heineman second by Olsen to approve the October 15, 2025, minutes with requested addition of 'Board of Education Standards' to the name of the William Beadle History Teacher of the Year Award. Voice vote. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Heineman, Moulton, Olsen, Meyer, Von Wald, Warzecha, and Perkins.

Public Comment: SDCL 1-25-1 No public comment.

JAG Presentation

Presented by Beth Schneider, she discussed the history of JAG South Dakota, program benefits for students, positive outcomes, data points for the program in South Dakota, and answered questions presented by board.

Report Card Presentation

Presented by Kasey Williams, she discussed the release date of 2024-25 report, explained the components, discussed how it works and where to access it, and answered questions presented by the board.

Content Standards Hearing #2 Health Education Standards

Presented by Shannon Malone, Director, Division of Learning & Instruction with the Department of Education. Malone reported and reviewed the 9 public comments received.

Proponent Testimony

In person, Rachel Foltz (Call to Freedom), Becky Rasmussen (Call to Freedom).

Opponent Testimony

In person, Annie Welsh (individual), Acacia Deadrick (individual), Walt Bones (individual), Grace Gill (Alzheimer's Association).

Rebuttal

Dr. Graves gave the rebuttal.

Board questions and discussion.

Board recessed at approximately 10:45 a.m. and reconvened at approximately 10:58 a.m.

Mathematics Standards

Presented by Shannon Malone, Director, Division of Learning & Instruction with the Department of Education. Malone reported and reviewed the 44 public comments received.

Proponent testimony

Online, Monte Meyerink (individual).

Opponent testimony

In person, Gail Jacob (individual), Liz Pettit (individual), Sharon Vestal (individual). Online, Stephanie Higdon (individual).

Rebuttal

Dr. Graves gave the rebuttal.

Board questions and discussion.

Hearing ended at approximately 11:47 am.

Secretary's Report

Secretary Graves gave a report government shutdown, a literacy initiative update, school closures, and the science of reading.

Board Report and General Discussion

Board discussion including upcoming board meeting dates.

NEXT MEETING: February 23, 2026, in Pierre.

Adjournment:

Motion by Olsen seconded by Heineman. Voice vote. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. Voting aye: Heineman, Moulton, Olsen, Meyer, Von Wald, Warzecha and Perkins.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:56 a.m. CT.

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