

SDSCA

SOUTH DAKOTA STUDENT COUNCIL ASSOCIATION



MEETING MINUTES

December 6th, 2023

11 a.m. (CT)/10 a.m. (MT)

SDHSAA Office - Pierre

Call meeting to order

The meeting was called to order at 11:00am, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Board members present were:

Emerson Hofer – President, Levi Hofer – Vice President, Autumn Lentz – Secretary, Lily Paxton (Zoom) – Treasurer, Lucy Walker – Reporter, David Yusten Jr. – Par./Sgt at Arms, Jaycee Tebay – Big Sioux Rep., Kiera Briggs – Capitol Rep., Ava Brannon – James River rep., Gemma Street – Northern Lakes Rep., Taylor Hansen – Rushmore Rep., Jackson Klawonn – Spirit Point Rep., Sylvia Bohlander – Upper Missouri Rep., Sophia Techetter – Middle School rep.

Adults Representatives present were:

Brooks Bowman – SDHSAA

Kate Olson – Advisor Rep.

Gary Linn – SDSCA Executive Director

1. Addition(s) to the agenda followed by approval of agenda

Motion: Sylvia Bohlander – motion to approve agenda

Second: Levi Sharp

Pass: 14-0

2. Approval of minutes of July 12-13, 2023 meeting (*available online*)

Motion: Levi Sharp – motion to approve minutes

Second: Taylor Hansen

Pass: 14-0

3. Financial report as of December, 2023

SDSCA Checking account: \$210.55

SDSCA Saving account: \$100.09

4. Fall Region Workshop Reports (reports given by Region Representatives)

- a. Big Sioux – (Jaycee Tebay) Workshop went well, plans to send out an email to improve community help, worked on leadership, kids were able to choose their workshops. Located in Brookings SD, 15-18 schools attended. They had students take quizzes to split them into groups.
- b. Capital – (Kiera Briggs) Held in Pierre, 6 schools, 96 kids, games, and workshops. A speaker attended.
- c. James River – (Ava Brannen) Held in Mitchell, 2 groups sponsored water and donuts, 11 schools, 154 kids. There were several workshops that students rotated through. Ava gave a speech at the end talking about increasing community service activities.
- d. Northern Lakes – (Gemma Street) Watertown, 13 out of 30 schools attended. There were different workshops and activities. They had a speaker. There was a theme and dress-up theme at the meeting.
- e. Rushmore – (Taylor Hansen) Located at a Dakota Technical College Center. Over 100 kids and about a dozen schools. Several workshops, and three speakers attended.
- f. Spirit Point – (Jackson Klawonn) – 280 students attended. More students attended than originally thought. Held at Augustana. Workshops were held in 7 rotations. A speaker attended and spoke for about 15 minutes to the whole group. Jackson spoke about how to run for the state board.
- g. Upper Missouri – Located in Mobridge, 10 schools and almost 200 students attended. Students were split into groups and went through workshops.

5. Social Media Update (State Reporter)

- a. Lucy Walker informed the board that she is looking for more photos and ideas from fellow board members and schools. She has been working on posting region workshops, get to know you, and holiday posts.

6. Convention Theme

- a. The board decided that they will not have a convention theme, but they will have a dance theme. The dance theme will be “neon”.

Vote to make the dance theme “neon”.

Pass: 14-0

7. Update from State Board Convention Attire Committee

- a. The committee proposed a pink blazer, white shirt, and black pants for the attire. Pale pink blazers for the boys and hot pink blazers for the girls. The board agreed with this idea and determined that the previously listed items would be the outfits. Brooks will need a list of sizes from the state board.

8. Review policies for video submissions and region voting prior to the convention

- a. Brooks Bowman reviewed the policies with the board. The board discussed advertising “what you need to do to run for the state board” on social media.

A recess was taken at 11:49am.

The meeting was called back to order at 12:03pm

9. State Convention arrangements

- Middle School Student Council Convention report from MS Executive Director

The advisor was not able to attend the meeting. The middle school board has not met yet, but they will be meeting sometime in January

- Discuss meal options

The board decided to have a salad and pasta bar combination for lunch and a creamy Tuscan chicken breast with sides and dessert for supper.

- Discuss schedule options/ Adopt Convention Schedule

David brought up doing something similar to “Brain Breaks with Brody” again at this convention. Brooks brought to the board’s attention that he changed lunch to an hour and 15 minutes. The board reviewed that the Mayor of Rapid City would come and speak during the opening session.

Motion: Jaycee Tebay – motion to approve convention schedule

Second: David Yusten

Pass: 14-0

- Group Project

The board decided they would have two fundraisers. They would encourage student councils to bring hats, gloves, and scarves to the convention to donate to shelters around the state. The convention would also put out letter making materials on lunch tables and at the dance so people could write and decorate letters to veterans. (The board would put paper, and coloring utensils on the tables with examples of letters that could be written. Once the student council members write the letters there will be a basket that they could put them in.) The board also discussed having the Native American flag song performed at the convention after the pledge of allegiance.

- Activities: Baggo Tournament, dance, board games, study, National Guard Laser Tag and/or inflatables, NEW ACTIVITIES???

The activities will be, bean bag tournament, dance, boardgame room, national guard archery tag, photo booth, and movie room. David introduced the idea of setting up a karaoke room. Brooks discussed the idea of having a foosball table in return for a donation to the activities association by a donor.

- SDFCA State Officers presentation to MS students

Brooks will work with the middle school convention to find a time where the officers can go and talk with the middle schoolers.

- Review presenters hired for convention

The two presenters are Brian Imbus and Adrienne Bulinski. Adrienne's charge for her presentation and follow-up presentation is \$4100 Brian's charge for his speech and performance is \$4500.

- State Convention T-Shirt design

The board decided they would request a few different designs from the vendor for the board to put on the shirt. Brooks will reach out to the vendor and request ideas. Once Brooks gets the design he will send them to Lucy for her to put on social media to let people vote on their favorite.

- CMN Donation Traveling Trophy

The current holder of the trophy will bring it back, Brooks will take the trophy and present it to the school winner at the banquet. There are two trophies, the Cashi Cup (the school that donates the most) and the Cappi Cup (the school that donates the most per capita).

10. Review and vote on Ivan Dixon and Warren E. Shull Award nominees

- a. The board discussed the Warren E. Shull and Ivan Dixon nominees and voted to decide.

Motion to name Gerald Witte the winner of the Ivan Dixon award

Motion: Levi Sharp – to approve Gerald Witte as the winner of the Ivan Dixon award

Second: Kiera Briggs

Pass: 14-0

Vote to name Samantha Hettinger the winner of the Warren E. Shull award

Pass: 14-0

11. Discuss future convention date options

- a. The board discussed the current Tuesday-Wednesday plan and agreed that student councils around the state agreed they like this set-up.

12. Any other business the Executive Board might wish to consider.

- a. There is no other business the board wished to discuss

13. Set next meeting date – Monday, January 29th at 11:00am (CT)

14. Adjourn the meeting

Motion: Levi Sharp – motion to adjourn the meeting

Second: Sophia Tschetter

The meeting was adjourned at 1:19pm