

SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDINGS
August 24, 2015

Pursuant to the call and the notice thereof, the School Board of the Marion School District 60-3, Marion, Turner County, SD met in special session on the twenty-fourth day of August, 2015. Call to order was made by President of the School Board, Josh Luke, at 7:00 pm.

Members Present: Dan Buse, Daryl Gortmaker, Josh Luke, Jared Schmidt and Scott Tieszen

Absent: None

Officers Present: E. David Colberg, Superintendent; Michelle Larson, Principal; and Aaron Thompson, Business Manager

Absent: None

Guests Present: Shelly Wieman, Heather Hofer, Matt Donlan, Ed Kreider, and Trish Kreider

Action 15/16-19: Agenda – On motion by Buse, second by Gortmaker to amend the agenda to the following: 4 – Delegations, 5 – Football Coop Public Statement, 6 – Adjourn; and then to approve the agenda. All members voted in favor; motion carried.

The Board discussed the recent Freeman School Board meeting regarding their decision to cancel the varsity football schedule for the next two seasons, and go before the SDHSAA to pursue a coop with Canistota. Marion and Menno School Boards were asked to provide a statement regarding Freeman joining the Razorback coop prior to the SDHSAA Board Meeting on August 27.

The Board opened the floor for public input on the football coop. Discussion included concerns on a Canistota and Freeman coop, class change or playoff issues for a new coop, what defines an “emergency” with the SDHSAA, and the Razorback schedule now missing one game and how that affects power points.

Board President Josh Luke called a recess at 7:55 pm, and declared back in session at 8:10 pm.

Resolution 15/16-20: Football Coop Public Statement – Let it be hereby resolved that on motion by Buse, second by Schmidt to approve the following statement to the Freeman School District: “Whereas the Marion School District has had a long-standing wrestling coop with the Freeman School District, and Whereas the Freeman School District has agreed to a boys’ basketball cooperative with the Marion School District for the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school years, and Whereas the Marion School District has already agreed to a Junior High coop with the Freeman School District to join the Marion/Menno Razorback football team, and Whereas the Marion School District, in good faith, had been involved in a continuing discussion of an all-sports’ cooperative agreement throughout the Spring of 2015, The Marion School District welcomes the Freeman School District to join the Menno/Marion Razorbacks football team for the 2015 and 2016 football seasons if playoff eligibility remains along with no change in current classification.” All members voted in favor; motion carried.

Action 15/16-21: Adjourn – On motion by Gortmaker, second by Buse to adjourn the school board meeting at 8:14 pm. All members voted in favor; motion carried.

Josh Luke,
School Board President

Aaron Thompson,
Business Manager