



Midkota Messenger

Home of the Mustangs!

October 2011

Superintendent's Column **By Kerwin Borgen**

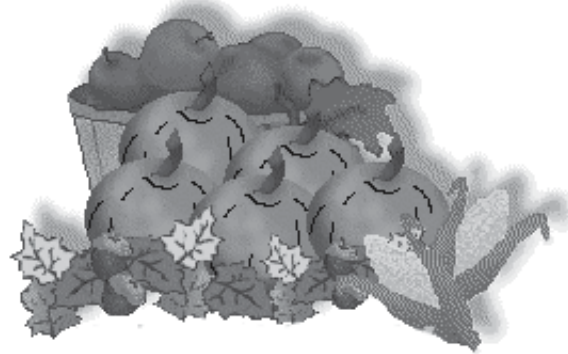
As I write this column we are finishing we have already finished five weeks of school. Everyone is getting into the swing of things. It did not start out so good for me. I had two herniated discs in my back and had surgery two weeks ago. Therefore I was not able to be here very much. I am much better now but have to take it easy for 12 weeks. Gilbert and the remaining staff stepped up and did a great job. I hope that I am of some use to them now that I am back.

Our enrollment has gone up from last year. We started school last year with 108 students. We currently have 126. I noticed in the press that ND has an increase in enrollment. The declining trend seems to have reversed for the time being.

We have a couple of new staff members at the elementary school. Erica Pollert has been hired to teach 2nd grade and Jason Grover replaced Pat Hermanson in the resource room.

Our schools, along with a majority of the schools in North Dakota, did not make AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress) under the No Child Left Behind Law. This is based upon our state tests. Each year the bar gets raised and eventually all schools in the nation will fail to meet the goals. We are working hard to meet the goals but I do not know if they can be achieved entirely.

As you are aware we have water problems in the lower level in Glenfield. We have contracted with a company to test for mold and the reports have come back. There is mold present and we have been



instructed to seal off the area. The board is in the process of contracting with a firm to have the area cleaned. We hope to have this done as soon as possible. We want to make sure that the environment is safe for our students and staff. We will be following the direction of proper procedures for the removal. We will keep you posted on the progress.

Have a great month.

Midkota Volleyball Team Settin' Their Sights High!

We started the season with twenty one girls, with nine playing for the first time. We are excited about our new uniforms and traveling suits. Thanks community! As we approach the middle of our season, our record is 17-1. Last Saturday the B Squad went to Carrington and took second in their tournament. Also, on the 17th, the varsity traveled to Valley City to take home the championship of the Optimist Tournament. While Shaye quoted, "it was higher than life", Kallie Frappier said it was the best day of her life. As a small school we were very proud to beat some of the bigger and better teams in the state. It really gave us a big confidence boost. Our team has high expectations and we plan to do our best to live up to them. As we look ahead to the rest of our season we will continue to improve and set our sights on the Regional Championship. If we want it bad enough, we can get it. We would like to thank all of our great fans and parents who have supported us this far. Especially to those parents who go out of their way to provide foods for the team. It's greatly appreciated. We would also like to encourage those who have not seen a high school volleyball match to come and see us play. Any extra support would be great.



Midkota Volleyball Team

Paula Linhares



PARENTS: Jose and Margareth Linhares

HOST FAMILY: Candi, Howard, Michela, Hannah, Bailey, Brandi and Zachary Ehlers

SIBLINGS: Ligia and Heloisa Linhares

HOMETOWN AND COUNTRY: Brasil, Curitiba

PASTIMES: ride horse

FAVORITE GROUP: friends and family

FAVORITE TV SHOW: White Collar

FAVORITE MUSIC: pop international

FAVORITE FOOD: lasagna

MOST FAMOUS PERSON I'VE EVER MET: Lima Duarte, Giba

I HAVE TO ADMIT, I'M VERY GOOD AT: ride horse

I'M PROUDEST OF: my family

10 YEARS FROM NOW, I WILL STILL LAUGH ABOUT: My friends Jokes

MOM ALWAYS THOUGHT I WAS: the sweetest person to get along

WHAT OR WHO INFLUENCED ME TO COME TO AMERICA: my parents

FUTURE PLANS: study hard and be successful

ADVICE FOR MHS: Do your best.

You can't base your life on other people's expectations.

October 2011 Midkota Hot Lunch

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3 Spaghetti	4 Ham & Scalloped Potatoes	5 Soup & Sandwiches	6 Chicken Hotdish	7 Pizza	8
9	10 Meatballs & Gravy	11 Mac & Cheese	12 Hamburgers	13 Tater Tot Hotdish	14 Chicken Burgers	15
16	17 Tacos	18 Chili	19 Turkey	20 NO SCHOOL	21 NO SCHOOL	22
23	24 Chicken Nuggets	25 Macaroni Hotdish	26 Toostie Dogs	27 BBQ Pork	28 Pizza	29
30	31 BBQ					

My satisfaction comes from my commitment
to advancing a better world.

—Faye Wattleton

October 2011 Midkota Activities

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3 Elem GBB Tmy @ BCN	4 Elem Lycm 8:50A VB@Bfd (FSHP) 6P Elem GBB@Crgton 4P	5	6 VB @NR 5:00	7 FB @ Kindred 7:00	8 VB @ Carrington Varsity
9	10 Elem GBB Practice	11 School Board 7:30A @ Binford VB@Pingree 5:00 Elem GGB@Bfd 4:30P	12 Elem BBB Practice Bus Driver Training 6:30-9:30P Jr's PSAT Testing	13 Elem GBB @ Bfd (NR) 4:15P FB @ Wahpeton 7:00	14 Elem BBB Practice	15 Varsity VB @ Langdon
16	17 Elem GBB Practice	18 Elem GBB Tmy@ Pingree VB @ Bfd (DP) 5:00 FB@Wmblon(Shmly) 7P	19 Elem BBB Practice	20 NO SCHOOL NDEA Teachers Convention	21 NO SCHOOL NDEA Teachers Con- vention	22
23	24 VB @ GCC 5:00 Elem BBB practice	25 Elem Lyceum 12:30P Elem BBB practice	26 Elem BBB Practice	27 Elem BBB game @ Carrington 5P Sch Bd Convntion VB Districts @NR	28 Sch Bd Convention VB Districts @NR	29 FB Quarterfinals Elem BBB Jamboree @ Binford
30	31 VB Districts @NR Elem BBB @ Mid- kota (Lakota) 4P					

Midkota "After-School Club Activity Calendar



OCTOBER 2011



	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2	Football	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	Purple	10 Columbus Day	11 VB @ Binford	12	13 VB @ INR	14	15 VB @ Carrington
16	Costumes	17	18 VB @ Pingree	19	20	21	22 VB @ Langdon
23	Pizza	24	25 VB @ Binford	26	27 NO SCHOOL (Teacher's) County Extension VB Districts Start	28 NO SCHOOL Convention) FAMILY FUN NIGHT	29
30	Arts & Crafts	3 NO AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB HALLOWEEN					

Language Arts Language Arts Science Math Art/Cooking/Etc.

Midkota Public School

"Mustangs"

Administrative Office

PO Box 38

203 Curtis Ave W

Binford, ND 58416

(701) 676-2511

DATE: August 9, 2011 - Binford

PRESENT: Keith Johnson, Arne Berge, Mark Willows, Laura Kulsrud, Veronica Vollmer, Principal Black, Superintendent Borgen

ABSENT: Joel Utke and Jeff Ronningen

GUESTS: Teri & Danny Harding, Roy & Laura Harding, Brenda Hoyt, Lannes Edlund

Meeting was called to order by President Johnson and a quorum was established.

AGENDA: The agenda was confirmed with the addition of a Music and Coaching

- 1) **MUSIC PROGRAM:** Concerns expressed from Guest, Teri Harding, regarding the Music program being taught over ITV.
- 2) **GBB COACHING:** Guests Terri & Danny Harding, Roy & Laura Harding and Brenda Hoyt expressed concerns about the Girl's Basketball Program.
- 3) **BUS ROUTE:** Guest Lannes Edlund visited with the board regarding the contract amount of his after school route. Payment will be aligned more with the After School Club Route.
- 4) **BUDGET AND TAX LEVY:** Motion by L. Kulsrud to set the tax levy for the amount of our tax valuation once that amount is received from the counties. Seconded by M. Willows. Motion carried unanimously.
- 5) **NEGOTIATIONS:** Nothing new to report.
- 6) **BUILDING STATUS:** Superintendent Borgen updated the board on the heating and lighting project. Concerns expressed over the building in Glenfield. Legend Inc. has been hired to test the Glenfield building for any mold or air quality issues. Discussion

regarding the water problems in Glenfield. Keith Johnson will visit with Ron Halvorson to see if he could drill some holes on the north side of the building. Estimates were received from MyRay Construction on fixing the hail damage from last year. We have had water leaking through the roof in the Binford Building. Target Roofing is getting an estimate for fixing.

- 7) **BUS POLICY:** Motion by A. Berge to approve the 2nd reading of the Bus Policy. Seconded by M. Willows, motion carried unanimously.

- 8) **HOT LUNCH PRICES:** Prices from area schools were compared to our district. Motion by L. Kulsrud to keep the prices the same as last year. V. Vollmer seconded, motion carried unanimously.

- 9) **ANNUAL COMPLIANCE REPORT:** Superintendent Borgen reviewed the requirements for the Annual Compliance Report which is due October 1st.

- 10) **CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION FOR 2010-11:** Motion by M. Willows to approve the 2011-12 Federal Consolidated Application as presented. Seconded by V. Vollmer, motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS:

A) Superintendent's/Elementary Principal Report:

- 1) AYP Letter will be sent with opening school packet.

B) High School Principal Report:

- 1) NDHSAA meeting tomorrow and concussion Policy will need to be developed
- 2) Music Program
- 3) Core Curriculum Conference attended by Jo Black
- 4) Building Concerns
- 5) Football Practice begins tomorrow
- 6) Volleyball begins on Monday

C) Business Manager's Report:

So moved by V. Vollmer, seconded by L. Kulsrud to approve the Business Manager's Report. Motion carried unanimously.

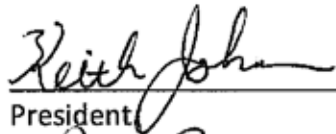
BUSINESS:

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: Motion by M. Willows, seconded by A. Berge to approve the Minutes of the July 13th meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

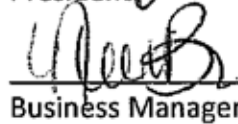
Bills to be paid: Board reviewed a list of the bills to be paid as well as a list of the checks that have been written since the previous board meeting. Motion by V. Vollmer to approve payment of bills, seconded by M. Willows. Motion carried unanimously.

Next board meeting will be scheduled for Tuesday, September 13th, at 7:30 AM in Glenfield.

Motion by V. Vollmer, seconded by M. Willows to adjourn meeting. Motion carried unanimously.



President



Business Manager

9/13/11

Date approved

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Check #</u>
<u>Checking</u> 1			
Checking Account: 1 Fund: 01 GENERAL FUND			
ACADEMIC INDUSTRIES	HS SUPPLIES	132.00	23552
ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS	COPIER	392.00	23553
BINFORD GROCERY	SUPPLIES	201.88	23554
BRAGER DISPOSAL SERVICE	DISPOSAL	223.60	23555
BREMER INSURANCE	INSURANCE	500.00	23556
BUDGETEXT	ELEM TEXTBOOK	214.51	23557
CARSON DELLOSA	ELEM TEXTBOOK	25.72	23558
CENTRAL VALLEY HEALTH DISTRICT	DUES/FEES HOT LUNCH	115.00	23559
CITY OF BINFORD	DISPOSAL	64.55	23560
CITY OF GLENFIELD	SERVICES	45.00	23561
CLASSROOM PRODUCTS WAREHOUSE	HS SUPPLIES	40.21	23562
CLASSROOMDIRECT.COM	SUPPLIES	51.90	23563
CNA SALES CORPORATION	SUPPLIES	153.99	23564
COLE PAPERS INC.	ELEM SUPPLIES	661.14	23565
CONNECTING POINT COMPUTER CENTER	COMPUTER EQUIP	1,601.35	23566
DACOTAH PAPER CO	ELEM SUPPLIES	1,825.95	23567
ECOLAB	MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT	91.50	23568
EDLUND BUS SERVICE	AUGUST	7,600.00	23569
EDLUND MOTOR COMPANY	DRIVERS ED GAS	21.60	23570
EMC PUBLISHING CO	HS TEXTBOOKS	422.08	23571
EMILY SPICKLER	MESSENGER	75.00	23572
EPS/SCHOOL SPECIALTY INTERVENTION	ELEM TEXT	19.93	23573
GE CAPITAL	COPIER	880.88	23574
GRAINGER	HS SUPPLIES	694.95	23575
GRIGGS CO TELEPHONE COMPANY	TELEPHONE	416.93	23576
HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPANY	COMPUTER EQUIP	1,965.00	23577
HOUGHTON MIFFLIN CO	HS TEXTBOOKS	344.22	23578
HP FINANCIAL SERVICES	COMPUTER LEASE	470.31	23579
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT	POWERSCHOOL	460.34	23580
JOANN SPICKLER	TEXTBOOKS	110.40	23581
LAERDAL MEDICAL CORPORATION	HS TEXTBOOKS	264.00	23582
MAINTENANCE ENGINEERING, LTD	HS REPAIRS	1,750.84	23583
MCGRAW-HILL	ELEM TEXTBOOKS	1,349.80	23584
MIKE MONSON	HS SUPPLIES	110.98	23585
MUTUAL OF OMAHA	DISABILITY	379.41	23586
NATIONAL SCHOOL PRODUCTS	ELEM SUPPLIES	56.43	23587
ND SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION	POLICY SERVICES	350.00	23588
NELSON BUS SERVICE INC.	BUS CONTRACT	7,600.00	23589
NELSON/GRIGGS DIST. HEALTH UNIT	HEALTH NURSE - ELEM	224.00	23590
NETRIX IT	MAINTENANCE	1,580.00	23591
NORTHERN PLAINS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE INC	HS ELECTRICITY	639.01	23592
ORIENTAL TRADING COMPANY	ELEM SUPPLIES	42.99	23593
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY	ELECTRICITY	368.94	23594
PEARSON EDUCATION	TEXTBOOKS	1,175.41	23595
POSITIVE PROMOTIONS	ELEM SUPPLIES	97.65	23596
READ NATURALLY	ELEM SUPPLIES	37.40	23597
REALLY GOOD STUFF	ELEM SUPPLIES	42.85	23598
SADDLEBACK PUBLISHING INC.	HS TEXTBOOK	172.09	23599
SAM'S CLUB	DUES/FEES	35.00	23600
SARGENT-WELCH SCIENTIFIC CO	HS SUPPLIES	154.36	23601
SCHOOL SPECIALTY	ELEM SUPPLIES	1,883.86	23602
SCHOOLHOUSE CAFE	MISC	70.00	23603
SCHULZ PLUMBING & HEATING	HS REPAIRS	336.89	23604
US GAMES	ELEM SUPPLIES	199.43	23605
VOWAC PUBLISHING COMPANY	ELEM TEXTBOOKS	101.92	23606
WIESER EDUCATIONAL INC.	ELEM TEXT	142.86	23607
WORKERFORCE SAFETY & INSURANCE	INSURANCE	2,531.11	23608
	Fund Total:		41,519.17
	Checking Account Total:		41,519.17

Midkota Service Project

We will be collecting Campbell's Soup labels and Box Tops for Education throughout the school year. At the end of April, we will



collect them and send them to the Minot Public School system. Many North Dakota schools are taking part in this project. It is small way that we can help the Minot schools recover some of their supplies. Please share this information with grandparents, friends and relatives. Our Elementary school will be the collection site.

Substitute Bus Drivers Needed

*If interested, contact
Mearl Nelson at
785-2126.*



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Elementary: 203 Curtis Ave W ~ Binford, ND 58416 ~ 701.676.2511 ~ Principal Kerwin Borgen

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