

**South Dakota Board on Geographic Names
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 24, 2010
10 AM CST
SD Dept of Tourism & State Development (Ste. 240)
711 East Wells Ave., Pierre, SD**

1. Call to order:

The meeting was called to order at 10:11 AM (CST) by Chair Roger Campbell. Roll call was taken.

Members of the Board in Attendance:

Roger Campbell
June Hansen
Rick Jorgensen
Joe Nadenicek
Jay Vogt

Staff:

Kay Decker, DTSD

2. Review and approval of agenda

Motion to approve the agenda by Jay Vogt, second by Joe Nadenicek. Voice vote was taken. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Review and approval of Jan. 27, 2010 meeting minutes

Motion to approve previous meeting minutes by Jay Vogt, second by Rick Jorgensen. Voice vote was taken. Motion carried unanimously

4. Name change review

USGS letter update

Joe Nadenicek provided for board members' review, a draft letter prepared for Chairman Roger Campbell's signature, directed to Mr. Lou Yost, Executive Secretary, U.S. Board on Geographic Names/U.S. Geological Survey. Following a brief introduction on how the South Dakota Board on Geographic Names (SDBGN) was created, why it exists, and what it intends to do, the letter requests the removal of offensive named historic schools that no longer exist, from the Federal Gazetteer on Geographic Names and that they be preserved only as historic identifiers of facilities that are no longer in existence. The features asked to be removed are: Squaw Creek School in Pennington County, and Squaw Butte School and Negro Creek School in Meade County.

Motion to approve the draft letter to U.S. Board on Geographic Names/U.S. Geological Survey requesting the removal of offensive named historic schools that no longer exist: Squaw Creek School in Pennington County, and Squaw Butte School and Negro Creek School in Meade County and the mailing of the letter as soon as possible by Jay Vogt, second by June Hansen. Voice vote was taken. Motion carried unanimously

Draft Public Involvement Process

June Hansen provided board members with draft of the public involvement process.

Motion to approve the Public Involvement Process following the insertion of an administrative review process to document any unresolved name change agreement by Jay Vogt, second by Joe Nadenicek. Voice vote was taken. Motion carried unanimously

Discussion was held in regard to implementing the Public Involvement Process for the name: Negro Creek in Ziebach County.

Motion to address the name: Negro Creek (Ziebach County) implementing the SDBGN Public Involvement Process by Joe Nadenicek, second by Jay Vogt. Voice vote was taken. Motion carried unanimously

Initial steps:

- Identify appropriate contacts (all minority contacts, all Tribes, Ziebach County Governments, & Ziebach County Historical Society)
- Jay will draft notice & comment form for the process
- June will draft press release

Points of contact update

Jay Vogt and Rick Jorgensen provided contact information for Bonnie Williams and Chet Jones, both contacts for African American history.

5. New business

Joe brought SB 104 to the Board's attention in regard to a possible change in open meeting requirements, should it become law. Discussion was held in regard to creating a website for SDBGN to facilitate meeting notification and implement the Public Involvement Process. Roger agreed to ask the Department of Tourism & State Development, if a website is possible.

Next meeting date

The next meeting date will be Thursday, March 18th at 3 PM CST in Ste. 240 at Capitol Lake Plaza in Pierre.

6. Public comments

none

7. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Jay Vogt, second by June Hansen. Voice vote was taken. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 AM CST.