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Department of Community Development

City of Yankton

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF YANKTON: SS

IN CIRCUIT COURT
FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

ESTATE OF
WESLEY W. SORENSEN,

Deceased.

Pro. #12-14

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is given that on March 27, 2012, Donald W. Sorensen was appointed as Personal Representative of the Estate of Wesley W. Sorensen, Deceased. Creditors of Decedent must file their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice, or their claims may be barred.

Claims may be filed with the Personal Representative or may be filed with the Clerk and a copy of the claim mailed to the Personal Representative.

Dated this 27th day of March, 2012.

/s/ _____
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Pietz

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Each student is unique in the ways they learn. Each child excels at different things. That ultimately requires a multitude of different educational opportunities. We cannot lose sight of this if we want all students to succeed.

2. With the Issues facing the district — a budget shortfall projected for this year, a general fund reserve balance that is almost depleted, public relations issues with the community, the health insurance fund, etc. What do you bring to the table that will help solve these issues?

The very nature of my career requires me to be a project manager, problem solver, and critical thinker. These skill sets give me the ability to meaningfully contribute and collaborate on solutions for these complicated problems. The issues highlighted in this question do not have easy yes or no answers. Solutions must be thoughtfully considered because they directly impact people's lives and livelihoods in many ways. However, I also believe these are issues that must be resolved as a community and not solely by five people on a board. The community must come together and put our differences aside, or we will all witness the decline of a top-notch school system.

3. What is the biggest issue you see facing the Yankton School District and why?

Closing the school district's general fund budget deficit is the biggest issue facing the district, given its key role in funding regular school operations, educational programs, student activities and teacher salaries. Another major issue facing YSD is a community divided and substantial public negativity directed at the district. This perception reduces public confidence and makes the district susceptible to new and ever-changing accusations of poor management. If the public is not firmly behind the district, it will struggle to solve its budget issues. We all may have to sacrifice something in the process of addressing these issues, but anything worth doing — and doing right — is never easy.

4. If elected to the board, do you see a need to repair the apparent disconnect between the direction of the district and a majority of voters in the community? If so, do you have ideas to address this?

Repairing the apparent disconnect is essential to restore public confidence. In our state, education funding is a complicated issue. Not every citizen gets involved in or researches all of the moving parts of school district funding. People can easily become confused. With no confidence in the district, people may be quick to form false opinions that the district is operating secretly or poorly managing its resources. If elected, I intend to address this by making public perception one of my top priorities. I intend to further encourage an open line of communication between the district and its citizens. Community input and involvement in our education system is the only way to repair the disconnect between YSD and the community.

5. Why should you be elected to the board rather than your competitors? What do you offer that they do not?

Through my technical experience, I come to the table with problem solving skills, critical thinking skills, and thorough planning skills. My financial experience comes from serving as the treasurer for a local church for a number of years. I was constantly

managing a very tight budget, which forced me to look at money issues critically and creatively. We need fresh ideas and new direction. I bring both. Without a plan — or even a backup plan — there is no direction. This opens the door to failure. For me and my family, failure is not an option. I have two young children. They will be a part of the school district for the next 15-plus years. The education they receive here is their future.

6. Final thoughts?

The single most important point I wish to emphasize is that not one single person, board, or legislative body is solely responsible for the education of our young people. Each plays a role, but ultimately the buck stops with our local community, and I believe that the Yankton community has far greater potential than most realize. We also have the most at stake in the matter. Regardless of the issues of the day, we have a responsibility to our children to work together and solve our problems. Only when we work together can we protect the educational opportunities afforded our children and propel our school district into the future. It is the best tool we have to help our community grow and prosper.

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NOTICE OF JOINT CITY OF YANKTON AND YANKTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 63-3 ELECTION
YANKTON COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

A Joint City of Yankton and Yankton School District 63-3 Election will be held on April 10, 2012, in the City of Yankton and all the voting precincts in School District 63-3, Yankton, South Dakota. If the polls cannot be opened because of bad weather, the election may be postponed one week. The election polls will be open from seven a.m. to seven p.m. central daylight savings time on the day of the election.

At the election, the following offices will be filled:

Three (3) Commissioners for a three (3) year term each
Chris Ferdig
David C. Carda
Lola Harens
Pauline Akland
David Knoff

Two (2) School Board Members for a three (3) year term each
Mark Westerman
D.G. 'Butch' Becker
Michael (Moose) Welch
Matthew Pietz
Kathy Greenaway

The polling place in each precinct for the Joint City of Yankton & Yankton School District 63-3 Election is as follows:

PRECINCT – CITY & SCHOOL, ADDRESS
1 City Hall, 416 Walnut
2 Senior Citizens "The Center", 900 Whiting Drive
3 Middle School, 2000 Mulberry
4 Lincoln Elementary School, 815 Locust
5 Yankton Mall Shopping Center, 2101 Broadway
PRECINCT – SCHOOL ONLY, ADDRESS
11 Vangen Fellowship Hall (Walshtown Twp. #20, Volin Twp. #22, Gayville Twp. #29 Mission Hill Twp. #23), Mission Hill
12 Utica Lumber Yard (Ziskov Twp. #25, Utica Twp. #24, Lester-ville Twp. #18, Central Twp. #19,

Jamesville Twp. #16) Utica, 26 Lincoln Elementary School
815 Locust
28 Senior Citizens "The Center" 900 Whiting Drive
Voters with disabilities may contact the City Finance Officer or the Business Manager for information and special assistance in absentee voting or polling place accessibility.

Finance Officer
City of Yankton

Business Manager
Yankton School District 63-3

OFFICIAL BALLOT
JOINT CITY OF YANKTON AND YANKTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 63-3 ELECTION
YANKTON, SOUTH DAKOTA

A	B	C	April 10, 2012
ANNUAL CITY ELECTION		ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION	
INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER		INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> To vote for a person FILL IN the oval (●) next to the name. Use only a pencil. If you make a mistake, give the ballot back and get a new one. DO NOT cast more votes than are allowed in each race. 		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> To vote for a person FILL IN the oval (●) next to the name. Use only a pencil. If you make a mistake, give the ballot back and get a new one. DO NOT cast more votes than are allowed in each race. 	
CITY COMMISSIONERS TO BE ELECTED		SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS TO BE ELECTED	
For City Commission, three (3) year term, you may vote for up to three (3) or leave it blank		School Board Member, three (3) year term, you may vote for up to two (2) or leave it blank	
<input type="radio"/> Chris Ferdig	<input type="radio"/> David C. Carda	<input type="radio"/> Mark Westerman	<input type="radio"/> D. G. 'Butch' Becker
<input type="radio"/> Lola Harens	<input type="radio"/> Pauline Akland	<input type="radio"/> Michael (Moose) Welch	<input type="radio"/> Matthew Pietz
<input type="radio"/> David Knoff		<input type="radio"/> Kathy Greenaway	

OFFICIAL SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION BALLOT
YANKTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 63-3, YANKTON, SOUTH DAKOTA

A	B	C	April 10, 2012
ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION			
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SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS TO BE ELECTED		SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS TO BE ELECTED	
School Board Member, three (3) year term, you may vote for up to two (2) or leave it blank		School Board Member, three (3) year term, you may vote for up to two (2) or leave it blank	
<input type="radio"/> Mark Westerman	<input type="radio"/> D. G. 'Butch' Becker	<input type="radio"/> Michael (Moose) Welch	<input type="radio"/> Matthew Pietz
<input type="radio"/> Kathy Greenaway			

Label

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ammonia-treated filler, known in the industry as "lean, finely textured beef," meets food safety standards. But critics say the product could be unsafe and is an unappetizing example of industrialized food production.

Beef Products Inc., a Dakota Dunes, S.D., processor that makes the product said the USDA's decision to allow companies to include the labels "will be an important first step in restoring consumer confidence in their ground beef."

"We feel this development will allow more customers to provide options to consumers and pave the way for BPI's lean beef to re-establish its place in the market," company spokesman Rich Jochum said in a statement. Earlier this month, Beef Products suspended operations at plants in Texas, Kansas and Iowa amid public outcry.

Tyson Foods, which buys textured beef and uses it in some products it sells, said controversy surrounding the product has increased demand for beef without it.

"But we have recently seen an increased interest in purchasing ground beef containing LFTB as customers and consumers gain access to more accurate information," Tyson spokesman Gary Michelson said in an email.

A spokesman for the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, a trade group for farmers said the group does not believe a label is necessary, but it fully supports a company's right to choose which labels to use. Because the finely textured beef product is pure beef there are no requirements for labeling when it is mixed with other beef and sold as packaged ground beef.

Lean, finely textured beef is made by heating fatty bits of meat left over from other cuts to about 100 F and spinning it to remove most of the fat. The lean mix is then compressed into blocks for use in ground meat and treated with ammonium hydroxide gas to kill bacteria.

The product has been incorporated in beef for more than a decade. However it was first called "pink slime" by a federal microbiologist and the term has appeared in various media articles since 2009. Celebrity chef Jamie Oliver has railed against it, and it made headlines after McDonald's and other major chains discontinued the use of the product.

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