

Board of Education Regular Meeting

August 10, 2020 7:00 PM

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1. Call to Order

Mrs. Kari Loseke, Board President, called the Board of Education Regular meeting to order.

2. Roll Call

Present Board Members: Laura Ronning, Steve Callaghan, Deb Parks, Brandi Petersen, Kari Loseke, Bob Schoby, Brittney Gunderson, and Denise Ray.

3. Approval of Absent Board Members - None

4. Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. Gilson led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. Board Vacancy

Motion Passed: I move to approve the Board Vacancy Resolution for Washington County School District 89-0001, to approve Amy Hansen, a qualified registered voter, to fill the vacancy created by the death of Lyle Schjodt, a long-time member of the Board of Education, for the remainder of the unexpired term of Lyle Schjodt, which ends on the first Thursday after the first Tuesday in January, 2021; said appointment is effective upon the passage of this resolution as presented passed with a motion by Brittney Gunderson and a second by Laura Ronning.

Steve Callaghan	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Denise Ray	Yes
Laura Ronning	Yes
Bob Schoby	Yes

Dr. Gilson administered the Oath of Office to the newly appointed Blair Board of Education Member, Amy Hansen.

6. Public Hearing to Amend the Budget

A notice was published in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Sections 13-511, that the Board of Education will meet on the 10th day of August, 2020 at 7:00pm, at Deerfield Primary, 1100 Deerfield Blvd., Blair NE 68008 for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to amending the budget which was originally adopted on the 9th day of September, 2019. Due to unforeseen circumstances, actual expenditures for the current fiscal year will exceed budgeted expenditures unless the current fiscal year budget of expenditures is revised.

The District needs to take advantage only for the Bond Fund and the Cooperative Fund. The amendment has no impact on the 2019-20 Tax Request Resolution that was adopted on the 9th Day of September, 2019.

The District is able to take advantage of low interest rates and refinance the Series 2015 Bonds and needs an additional budget of expenditures to refund the bonds. The District also needs to establish a budget of receipts and expenditures in the Cooperative Fund to account for interlocal agreements the District made that shares one of its employees with other local governments in exchange for cash resources. The originally adopted budget of expenditures cannot be reduced during the remainder of the current fiscal year to meet the need for additional money because a bond refinance requires the District to refund outstanding bonds and interest and expenditure for related closing costs was not included in the original budget. Also, no budget of expenditures had been established for the Cooperative Fund in the original budget. The budget detail is available at the office of the Clerk/Secretary during regular business hours.

The Board entered into the Public Hearing at 7:07pm and resumed the Regular meeting at 7:08pm with no comments from the public.

7. Approval of Emergency Additions to the Agenda – None

8. Call for Items to be Removed from the Consent Agenda – None

9. Consent Agenda

Motion Passed: I move to approve the Consent Agenda as presented passed with a motion by Laura Ronning and a second by Steve Callaghan.

Steve Callaghan	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Amy Hansen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Denise Ray	Yes
Laura Ronning	Yes
Bob Schoby	Yes

9.1. Waiver of reading minutes from previous meeting

9.2. Acceptance of minutes of the previous meeting as published

9.3. Receipt of Communications

9.4. Treasurer's Report

9.5. Audit of Claims

10. Business

10.1. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda – None

10.2. Recognitions

10.3. Acceptance of Gifts

10.4. Consideration of Communications

10.4.1. BHS Cheer Team Pictures

The BHS Cheer Team has requested to have their pictures taken professionally on Sunday, August 30th, 2020. In order to get the entire team together, this needs to take place on a Sunday due to the number of activities each girl is involved in at BHS.

Motion Passed: I move to approve the request for BHS Cheer Team to have their professional picture taken on Sunday, August 30th, 2020, passed with a motion by Brittney Gunderson and a second by Deb Parks.

Steve Callaghan	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Amy Hansen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Denise Ray	Yes
Laura Ronning	Yes
Bob Schoby	Yes

10.5. Comments From The Public

Mrs. Loseke opened the meeting for public comment and offered a reminder of the Board Policy regarding public comments. Comments were heard from Patty Conradson regarding transportation for BKA (Blair Kids Academy) students.

10.6. Committee Reports

Complete Committee meeting minutes and reports may be found on the District website (www.blairschools.org) or at the office of the Superintendent.

10.6.1. Policy Committee

The Policy Committee met on Wednesday, July 29, 2020. A report of the meeting was given by Deb Parks.

Motion Passed: I move to approve on second and final notification revisions to policies 1002.01-Annual Report and School Improvement, 505.00-Student Discipline, 506.01-Extracurricular Activity, 504.04-Safe Pupil Transportation Plan and 607.02-Ceremonies, Observances, and the Pledge of Allegiance and to approve on second and final notification new policies 611.00-Classroom Environment and 628.30A-Concussions: Return to Learn Protocol passed with a motion by Deb Parks and a second by Steve Callaghan.

Steve Callaghan	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Amy Hansen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Denise Ray	Yes
Laura Ronning	Yes
Bob Schoby	Yes

10.6.2. Curriculum Committee

The Curriculum Committee did not meet the month of July.

10.6.3. BG&T Committee

The Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation Committee met on Friday, July 24, 2020. A report of the meeting was given by Steve Callaghan.

10.6.4. Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Tuesday, August 4, 2020. A report of the meeting was given by Brandi Petersen.

Motion Passed: I move to approve the transfer of \$10,000 from the General Fund to the Activity Fund for

support passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Laura Ronning.

Steve Callaghan	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Amy Hansen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Denise Ray	Yes
Laura Ronning	Yes
Bob Schoby	Yes

Motion Passed: I move to accept the quote from Fein Brothers for the purchase of four (4) convention ovens in an amount not to exceed \$30,114.92 from the Lunch Fund passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Laura Ronning.

Steve Callaghan	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Amy Hansen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Denise Ray	Yes
Laura Ronning	Yes
Bob Schoby	Yes

Motion Passed: I move to approve the quote from Fein Brothers for the purchase of one (1) combination oven/steamer in an amount not to exceed \$41,418.92 from the Lunch fund passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Brittney Gunderson.

Steve Callaghan	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Amy Hansen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Denise Ray	Yes
Laura Ronning	Yes
Bob Schoby	Yes

Motion Passed: I move to amend the 2019-20 budget for Blair Community Schools (Washington County School District 89-0001) as presented passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Laura Ronning.

Steve Callaghan	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Amy Hansen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Denise Ray	Yes
Laura Ronning	Yes
Bob Schoby	Yes

10.7. Digital Trophy Case – Nanonation, Inc.,

Dr. Gilson presented information on the purchase of a Digital Trophy Case from Nanonation, Inc., to be placed at the Blair High School. The office at the high school is in the process of being renovated and relocated. With this project, they will be eliminating the Hall of Fame wall and replacing it with a window looking out into the commons area of the school. This is a way to digitally store the information and have it displayed on Plasma Screens.

Motion Passed: I move to approve the purchase of a Digital Trophy Case from Nanonation, Inc., for the amount of \$19,180 passed with a motion by Brittney Gunderson and a second by Steve Callaghan.

Steve Callaghan	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Amy Hansen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Denise Ray	Yes
Laura Ronning	Yes
Bob Schoby	Yes

10.8. Blair Community Schools Reopening Plan

Discussion took place on the following topics that are part of the approved reopening plan for the 2020-21 school year.

- Hybrid Learning (50% Student Population)
- Hybrid Schedule for Teachers (Wednesday's)
- Remote/eLearning
- Virtual/Acellus Program
- Student Activities and Eligibility

Motion Withdrawn: I move to approve the Blair Community Schools Reopening Plan as modified including the current practice of the High School Administration to not allow students who have signed up for Virtual Learning, Acellus Program, to not participate in extra-curricular activities withdrawn with a motion by Laura Ronning and a second by Steve Callaghan.

Steve Callaghan	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Amy Hansen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Denise Ray	Yes
Laura Ronning	Yes
Bob Schoby	Yes

Motion Passed: I move to approve the Blair Community Schools Reopening Plan as presented passed with a motion by Laura Ronning and a second by Steve Callaghan.

Steve Callaghan	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Amy Hansen	Yes

Kari Loseke Yes
 Deb Parks Yes
 Brandi Petersen Yes
 Denise Ray Yes
 Laura Ronning Yes
 Bob Schoby Yes

10.9. Capital Forecast – Guaranteed Maximum Price for the Blair High School Office Project

Dr. Gilson discussed the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) submitted from Project Manager Cole Kratocvil with D.A. Davidson on the Blair High School Office Project.

- GMP 1 Subtotal Cost - \$298,445
- Contingency - \$11,938 (4%)
- CMAR (Construction Manager at Risk) Fee - \$18,623 (6%)
- Total - \$329,006

Motion Passed: I move to approve the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) of \$329,006 for the additions and renovations to the Blair High School Office including four (4) offices, two (2) student remediation rooms, a waiting/reception area, six (6) new front entrance doors, and a storefront glass passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Brittney Gunderson.

Steve Callaghan Yes
 Brittney Gunderson Yes
 Amy Hansen Yes
 Kari Loseke Yes
 Deb Parks Yes
 Brandi Petersen Yes
 Denise Ray Yes
 Laura Ronning Yes
 Bob Schoby Yes

10.10. Capital Forecast Discussion

Dr. Gilson gave an update on the following projects listed on the Districts Capital Forecast.

1. **High School Kitchen:** Dr. Gilson revised to include the actual cost of the Installation of Ventilation in the Kitchen at the High School. The actual contract was less (\$246,340) than the projected amount of \$265,000. This allowed us to spend more (\$18,660) on the large HVAC Unit at Otte out of the remaining Bond Fund.
2. **Press Box:** The school board approved a motion to put \$25,000 toward the press box and Bear Backers have approximately \$115,000.

Press Box	8/10/2020
Total Cost of Press Box	\$126,077.66
Bear Backers	\$115,000
Blair Community Schools Share	\$11,077.66
School Board Pledge	\$25,000.00
	Funds not needed from Pledge - \$13,922.34

3. Industrial Arts Relocation

Projected cost to be \$1 million.

10.11 Approval of New Teachers – None

10.12. Acceptance of Resignations – None

10.13. Informational Items

11. Adjournment

Motion Passed: I move to adjourn the meeting at 10:18pm passed with a motion by Brittney Gunderson and a second by Laura Ronning.

Steve Callaghan Yes

Brittney Gunderson Yes

Kari Loseke Yes

Deb Parks Yes

Brandi Petersen Yes

Denise Ray Yes

Laura Ronning Yes

Lyle Schjodt Yes

Bob Schoby Yes

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Secretary Board of Education

Randall Gilson, Ed.D.
Superintendent