

Board of Education Work Session

November 08, 2021 6:30 PM

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1. Call to Order

Mrs. Kari Loseke, President, called the Board of Education Work Session to order at 6:30pm.

2. Roll Call

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

Absent Board Members: Denise Cada

3. Items for Discussion

3.1. Early Childhood Presentation

A presentation was shared on the Early Childhood Program, birth to age five (5), at Blair Community Schools.

1. Birth to age three (3) Program

Mission Statement: The Nebraska Early Development Network provides early intervention services for families with children birth to age three with developmental delays and/or health care needs and connects families to needed services.

2. Sixpence

Blair Community Schools was awarded the Sixpence Early Learning Grant in August, 2021. In collaboration with Northeast Nebraska Community Action Partnership (NENCAP), the program will provide early childhood learning experiences for at-risk infants and toddlers under the age of three (3) through our Sixpence Home Visitor Advocate, Liz Roth.

3. Preschool, Ages 3,4,5

Mix of typically developing children as well as children with developmental delays on an Individualized Education Plan (IEP).

4. Adjournment

The Board of Education Work Session adjourned at 7:10pm

Board of Education Regular Meeting

October 11, 2021

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1. Call to Order

Mrs. Kari Loseke, President, called the Board of Education Regular meeting to order at 7:16pm.

2. Roll Call

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

2.1. Approval of Absent Board Members

Motion Passed: I move to approve the absence of Board Member(s): Denise Cada passed with a motion by Bob Schoby and a second by Brittney Gunderson.

Denise Cada	Absent
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Laura Ronning	Yes
Bob Schoby	Yes

3. Pledge of Allegiance

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

4. Approval of Emergency Additions to the Agenda - None

5. Call for Removal of Consent Agenda Items - None

6. Consent Agenda

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

Denise Cada	Absent
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Laura Ronning	Yes
Bob Schoby	Yes

6.1. Waiver of reading minutes from previous meeting

6.2. Acceptance of minutes of the previous meeting as published

6.3. Receipt of Communications

6.4. Treasurer's Report

6.5. Audit of Claims

7. Business

7.1. Items removed from Consent Agenda - None

7.2. Recognitions

7.3. Acceptance of Gifts

7.3.1. Keller Williams Realty Donation

Dr. Ryan O'Grady, Director of Special Education and Student Services, received a donation from Keller Williams Realty, Omaha, Nebraska, for cubicles for the districts K-12 Special Education program. The cubicles will be beneficial in preventing students from being distracted by what is going on around them and to achieve easier concentration. The estimated value of the donation is \$50,000. Mr. Tom Anderson has arranged to pick up the donation on Wednesday, November 10th. We very much appreciate the support of Keller Williams Realty.

Motion Passed: I move to accept the donation from Keller Williams Realty for student cubicles, estimated value of \$50,000, passed with a motion by Laura Ronning and a second by Brittney Gunderson.

Denise Cada	Absent
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Laura Ronning	Yes
Bob Schoby	Yes

7.3.2. River Wilds Golf Course

A letter was received from Mr. Dan Hutsell, District Activities Director, requesting permission to accept a donation of equipment, retail value of \$1500, from River Wilds Golf Course, Dakota Loudner, pro. The donation consists of six (6) blue tees golf series 2 rangefinders. This will assist our players in being more successful in competition, as well as having one (1) available for coaches. We very much appreciate the support of River Wilds and Mr. Loudner.

Motion Passed: I move to accept the donation from River Wilds Golf Course and Dakota Loudner for six (6) blue tees golf series 2 rangefinders, retail value of \$1500, passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Deb Parks.

Denise Cada	Absent
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Laura Ronning	Yes
Bob Schoby	Yes

7.4. Consideration of Communications

7.5. Comments from The Public

The Board heard comments from one (1) community member.

7.7. Committee Reports

7.7.1. Policy Committee

The Policy Committee met on Monday, November 1, 2021 at 12:00pm. A report from the committee was given by Deb Parks.

Motion Passed: I move to approve on first notification revisions to policy 204.12-Public Participation at Board Meetings as presented passed with a motion by Deb Parks and a second by Brittney Gunderson.

Denise Cada	Absent
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Laura Ronning	Yes
Bob Schoby	No

Motion Passed: I move to approve on first notification revisions to policy 301.03-Succession of Authority to the Superintendent as presented passed with a motion by Deb Parks and a second by Brittney Gunderson.

Denise Cada	Absent
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Laura Ronning	Yes
Bob Schoby	Yes

7.7.2. BG&T Committee

The Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation Committee met on Monday, October 25, 2021 at 4:30pm. A report from the committee was given by Bob Schoby.

7.7.3. Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at 12:00pm. A report from the committee was given by Brandi Petersen.

7.8. Approval of New Teachers – None

7.9. Acceptance of Resignations – None

7.10. Strategic Plans & District Goals

Dr. Gilson shared an update on the progress of strategic planning and district goals.

7.11. Superintendent Report

Dr. Gilson shared an update on COVID-19.

7.12. Informational Items

7.13. Closed Session

The Board of Education is authorized by state statute to hold closed sessions. Closed sessions may be held when clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual. Reasons that meet this standard include but are not limited to: (a) strategy sessions with respect to collective bargaining, real estate matters, pending litigation, or litigation

which is imminent as evidenced by communication of a claim or threat of litigation to or by the public body; (b) discussion regarding deployment of security personnel or devices; (c) investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal misconduct; (d) evaluation of the job performance of a person when necessary to prevent needless injury to the reputation of a person and if such person has not requested a public meeting; and (e) legal advice.

Motion Passed: I move to enter into Closed Session for the protection of public interest on the discussion of collective bargaining and invite Mr. Tom Shearer, Business Manager, to attend the session passed with a motion by Laura Ronning and a second by Brittney Gunderson.

Denise Cada	Absent
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Laura Ronning	Yes
Bob Schoby	Yes

At 10:04pm the Board came out of closed session and reconvened to the regular session with no action taken.

8. Adjournment

Motion Passed: I move to adjourn meeting at 10:04 pm passed with a motion by Ginger Fredericksen and a second by Steve Callaghan.

Denise Cada	Absent
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Brittney Gunderson	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Laura Ronning	Yes
Bob Schoby	Yes

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Secretary Board of Education

Randall Gilson, Ed.D.
Superintendent