

Board of Education Work Session

July 11, 2022 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, Denise Cada, Laura Ronning, Bob Schoby, Brittney Gunderson, Steve Callaghan and Ginger Fredericksen.

Absent Board Member: Deb Parks

3. Items for Discussion

Blair High School Social Studies Teachers, Mr. Chris Whitwer, Mr. John Roan, and Mr. Matt Novak, shared a presentation on the department's curriculum.

4. Adjournment

The work session adjourned at 6:55pm.

Board of Education Regular Board Meeting

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2. Roll Call

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

3. Approval of Absent Board Member(s)

I move to approve the absence of Board Member(s): Deb Parks passed with a motion by Brittney Gunderson and a second by Laura Ronning.

Denise Cada Yes

Steve Callaghan Yes

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

4. Pledge of Allegiance

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

5. Public Hearing for the 2022-23 Student Fees Schedule

The Blair Community Schools Board of Education entered into public hearing for the purpose of public comments on proposed changes to administrative regulation 504.20R1-Student Fees Schedule and 502.20-Student Fees for the 2022-23 school year at 7:02pm. Dr. Gilson gave a brief overview of the new changes to the fee schedule. There were no public comments. The public hearing closed at 7:09pm.

6. Approval of Emergency Additions to the Agenda – None

7. Call for Removal of Consent Agenda Items – None

8. Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

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

8.1. Waiver of reading minutes from previous meeting.

8.2. Acceptance of minutes of the previous meetings as published.

8.3. Receipt of Communications

8.4. Treasurer’s Report

8.5. Audit of Claims

9. Business

9.1. Items removed from Consent Agenda – None

9.2. Recognitions

9.2.1. Best Communities for Music Education Award

The Blair Community School District has been honored with the Best Communities for Music Education Award designated by the NAMM Foundation, National Association of Music Merchants, for its outstanding commitment to music education. This marks the third year in a row Blair has receive this amazing honor.

Mr. Doug Schmitt, co-owner of Schmitt Music in Minneapolis, was in attendance and presented personalized awards to administrators, school board members and music staff.

9.2.2. K-5 Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO)

Mrs. Kelly Himes, PK-5 2022-23 PTO President, introduced members of the Blair Schools PTO Board. Vice-President, Anya Fullmer, Secretary, Rhiannon Bartlett, Treasurer, Marina McCombs.

PTO is a group of volunteers, parents, teachers, administrators, and community members, that are dedicated to enriching the educational experiences of all PK-5 grade students in Blair Schools.

9.3. Acceptance of Gifts

9.3.1. Sid Dillon and Woodhouse Tool Donation

Ms. Tammy Holcomb, BHS Principal, and Mr. Chris Schuler, BHS Teacher, requested the approval of donations from Sid Dillon and Woodhouse for the purchase of 12 sets of Sonic Tools for the Engine Mechanics class and any potential future automotive course offerings. Sonic Tools are industrial-grade mechanical tools with an excellent organizational system and come with a lifetime warranty. The Sonic Tools Company has given the district a large discount and each auto dealership is willing to cover half of the cost of the tools, leaving zero cost to the district. Sid Dillon and Woodhouse want to donate these funds so that the tools go straight into the hands of the students in the form of industry grade tools. The total cost of the tools before the discount, including shipping and handling, is \$69,780. With the discount, the total cost, including shipping and handling, is \$37,700. Each business will cover \$18,850.

Motion Passed: I move to accept the donation from Sid Dillon, in the amount of \$18,850, and Woodhouse, in the amount of \$18,850, to cover the cost of purchasing 12 sets of Sonic Tools totaling \$37,700

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

9.4. Consideration of Communications

9.5. Comments from The Public - None

9.6. Committee Reports

9.6.1. Policy Committee

The Policy Committee met on Monday, June 20, 2022 at 12:00pm. A report of the committee meeting was given by Denise Cada.

Motion Passed: I move to approve the updates to the student/parent handbooks as presented passed with a motion by Denise Cada and a second by Brittney Gunderson.

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

Bob Schoby Yes

9.6.2. BG&T Committee

The BG&T Committee met on Tuesday, June 28, 2022 at 4:30pm. A report of the committee meeting was given by Bob Schoby.

Motion Passed: I move to accept the bid from Blair Sprinkler in the amount of \$18,950 for the installation of a new sprinkler system at the practice field located at Blair High School passed with a motion by Bob Schoby and a second by Steve Callaghan.

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

Motion Passed: I move to accept the bid from Lennox in the amount of \$76,800 for the removal of the existing Addison RTU and the installation of a new Lennox RTU at Blair High School passed with a motion by Bob Schoby and a second by Steve Callaghan.

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

9.6.3. Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Tuesday, July 5, 2022 at 12:00pm. A report of the committee meeting was given by Brandi Petersen.

Motion Passed: I move to accept the bid from Fairway Oil Co., for propane for the 2022-23 school year as presented passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Bob Schoby.

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

9.7. 2022-23 Student Fees

Motion Passed: I move to approve the Student Fees Schedule for the 2022-23 school year as presented passed with a motion by Laura Ronning and a second by Brittney Gunderson.

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

9.8. Approval of New Teachers

Motion Passed: I move to approve new certified staff, Elizabeth Moody, for the 2022-23 school year passed with a motion by Brittney Gunderson and a second by Steve Callaghan.

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

9.9. Acceptance of Retirement

Motion Passed: I move to accept the retirement of Tom Anderson upon the conclusion of the 2022-23 school year passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Laura Ronning.

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

9.10. Superintendent Report

9.11. Informational Items

10. Adjournment

Motion Passed: I move to adjourn the meeting at 8:19pm passed with a motion by Bob Schoby and a second by Laura Ronning.

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

Angie Conety, Secretary Board of Education

Randall Gilson, Ed.D., Superintendent