

Board of Education Regular Meeting

October 09, 2023

Blair Central Office

1326 Park Street, Blair NE 68008

Information concerning the Open Meeting Law, Chapter 84, Article 14 of Nebraska State Statutes, is posted in the room at a location accessible to members of the public and attached to the online agenda. The meeting notice was published in the Washington County Pilot-Tribune & Enterprise on Tuesday, October 3, 2023.

1. Call to Order

Mrs. Kari Loseke, President, called the Board of Education Regular meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. Roll Call

Present Board Members: Brandi Petersen, Kari Loseke, Deb Parks, Denise Cada, Ginger Fredericksen, Courtney Tabor, Tim Welch and Steve Callaghan.

2.1. Approval of Absent Board Members

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 Steve Callaghan and a second by Brandi Petersen.

Denise Cada	Yes
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Courtney Tabor	Yes
Tim Welch	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. Washington County Community Foundation

The district received a donation in the amount of \$2,799.20 from the Washington County Community

Foundation. This was a disbursement from the Otte Middle School Band Boosters Donor Account. They issued it to close out the Otte Band Booster Donor Account that they had fundraised for over the years.

Motion Passed: I move to accept the donation from Cubby’s Convenience Store in the amount of \$1,179.00 passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Steve Callaghan.

Denise Cada	Yes
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Courtney Tabor	Yes
Tim Welch	Yes

7.4. Consideration of Communications

74.1. Blair Cubs Volleyball

Administration received a request from Jess Lansman, on behalf of the youth volleyball program, Bear Cubs, for permission to hold a Bear Cubs skill development program on Sundays starting on October 22nd - November 19th with a scrimmage/tournament to be held on Sunday, December 3rd.

Mr. Siecke, District Activities Director, highly recommended approval of this request. Sundays are the only days we have available gym time over the winter, and this organization is working hand in hand with our coaches to improve volleyball in Blair.

Motion Passed: I move to approve the Bear Cubs Volleyball program to use the Blair High School gymnasium on Sundays from October 22nd - December 3rd, 2023 passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Courtney Tabor.

Denise Cada	Yes
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Courtney Tabor	Yes
Tim Welch	Yes

7.5. Comments from The Public – Public comments were heard from three (6) patrons.

7.6. Committee Reports

7.6.1. Policy Committee & Americanism Committee

The Policy Committee & Americanism Committee met on Monday, September 18, 2023 at 12:00pm. A report from the committee was given by Deb Parks.

Motion Passed: I move to approve the revisions as presented to policy 201.02-Board Membership-Elections and Appointments passed with a motion by Deb Parks and a second by Courtney Tabor.

Denise Cada	Yes
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Steve Callaghan Yes
Ginger Fredericksen No
Kari Loseke No
Deb Parks Yes
Brandi Petersen Yes
Courtney Tabor Yes
Tim Welch Yes

**Policy 201.02-Board Membership -Elections and Appointments will be present at next month's meeting for a second reading.

Motion Passed: I move to approve the resolution for the Option Enrollment capacities for the 2024-25 school year as presented passed with a motion by Deb Parks and a second by Courtney Tabor.

Denise Cada Yes
Steve Callaghan Yes
Ginger Fredericksen Yes
Kari Loseke Yes
Deb Parks Yes
Brandi Petersen Yes
Courtney Tabor Yes
Tim Welch Yes

7.6.2. BG&T Committee

The Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation Committee met on Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 4:30pm. A report from the committee was given by Steve Callaghan.

7.6.3. Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 12:00pm. A report from the committee was given by Brandi Petersen.

Motion Passed: I move to approve the purchase from Grainger for DeWalt tools needed for the construction class at Blair High School in the amount of \$18,213.87 passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Ginger Fredericksen.

Denise Cada Yes
Steve Callaghan Yes
Ginger Fredericksen Yes
Kari Loseke Yes
Deb Parks Yes
Brandi Petersen Yes
Courtney Tabor Yes
Tim Welch Yes

Motion Passed: I move to accept the quote from CDW'G in the amount of \$34,040.75 for the district's Meraki Switch 5-year renewal plan passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Ginger Fredericksen.

Denise Cada Yes
Steve Callaghan Yes

Ginger Fredericksen Yes
Kari Loseke Yes
Deb Parks Yes
Brandi Petersen Yes
Courtney Tabor Yes
Tim Welch Yes

Motion Passed: I move to accept the Blair Educators' Association (BEA) as the collective bargaining unit for the 2024-25 and 2025-26 contact years passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Ginger Fredericksen.

Denise Cada Yes
Steve Callaghan Yes
Ginger Fredericksen Yes
Kari Loseke Yes
Deb Parks Yes
Brandi Petersen Yes
Courtney Tabor Yes
Tim Welch Yes

Motion Passed: I move to accept the donation from Football Moms and Dads in the amount of \$4,700 to be used towards the purchase of new headsets totaling \$9,981.73 from Sideline Power passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Steve Callaghan.

Denise Cada Yes
Steve Callaghan Yes
Ginger Fredericksen Yes
Kari Loseke Yes
Deb Parks Yes
Brandi Petersen Yes
Courtney Tabor Yes
Tim Welch Yes

Motion Passed: I move to approve the purchase of two (2) 2021 Freightliner - Thomas C2 buses from Thomas Built Buses in the amount of \$89,950 each or a total of \$179,900 passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Ginger Fredericksen.

Denise Cada Yes
Steve Callaghan Yes
Ginger Fredericksen Yes
Kari Loseke Yes
Deb Parks Yes
Brandi Petersen Yes
Courtney Tabor Yes
Tim Welch Yes

Motion Passed: I move to approve a payroll increase to our bus driver pay scale for steps 1-15 in the amount of \$2.50 beginning with the November 20, 2023 payroll passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Ginger Fredericksen.

Denise Cada	Yes
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Courtney Tabor	Yes
Tim Welch	Yes

Motion Passed: I move to enter into a Interlocal Agreement with ESU #3 to provide Physical Therapy services for the 2023-24 school year for no more than 23 days passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Ginger Fredericksen.

Denise Cada	Yes
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Courtney Tabor	Yes
Tim Welch	Yes

Motion Passed: I move to accept the bids for the sale of the surplus items totaling \$2762.61 passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Steve Callaghan.

Denise Cada	Yes
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Courtney Tabor	Yes
Tim Welch	Yes

Motion Passed: I move to authorize the administration to sell, donate or dispose of items remaining from the surplus sale passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Deb Parks.

Denise Cada	Yes
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Courtney Tabor	Yes
Tim Welch	Yes

Motion Passed: I move to approve the purchase of library books for grades K-5 in the amount of \$40,000 passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Tim Welch.

Denise Cada	Yes
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Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Courtney Tabor	Yes
Tim Welch	Yes

7.7. Approval of New Teachers – None

7.8. Acceptance of Resignations – None

7.9. Strategic Plans & District Goals

7.10. Superintendent Report

7.11. Informational Item

8. Adjournment

Motion Passed: I move to adjourn meeting at 8:25pm passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Tim Welch.

Denise Cada	Yes
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Courtney Tabor	Yes
Tim Welch	Yes

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Secretary Board of Education

Randall Gilson, Ed.D.
Superintendent