

Board of Education Work Session

May 8, 2023 6:00 PM

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1. Call to Order

Mrs. Kari Loseke, President, called the Board of Education Work Session to order at 6:00pm.

2. Roll Call

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

Absent Board Member: Brandi Petersen

3. Item for Discussion

- Governing Board Operations Principals

4. Adjournment

The Board of Education Work Session adjourned at 7:02pm.

Board of Education Regular Meeting

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2. Roll Call

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

3. Approval of Absent Board Member(s)

Motion Passed: I move to approve the absence of Board Member(s): Brandi Petersen 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	Absent
Courtney Tabor	Yes
Tim Welch	Yes

4. Pledge of Allegiance

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

5. Approval of Emergency Additions to the Agenda – None

6. Call for Removal of Consent Agenda Items - None

7. Consent Agenda

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

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

7.1. Waiver of reading minutes from previous meeting

7.2. Acceptance of minutes of the previous meeting as published

7.3. Receipt of Communications

7.4. Treasurer's Report

7.5. Audit of Claims

8. Business

8.1. Items removed from Consent Agenda - None

8.2. Recognitions

8.2.1. Skills Academy at North Primary

Mr. Austin Katt, Skills Academy Teacher, shared a presentation of the new Skills Academy Program at North Primary.

8.2.2. Washington County Food Pantry at Joseph's Coat

Mrs. Denise Cada will share information on the recent K-2 Coin Drive and 3-5 Cereal Drive that was held to assist the Washington County Food Pantry at Joseph's Coat.

8.3. Acceptance of Gifts

8.3.1. Nebraska/Western Iowa A4LE Chapter Innovation in Learning Environments Grant

Under the arrangement of Occupation Therapists Karissa Rogers and Nicole Knight, and Principal Megan Harding, the district received \$2,000 from the Innovation in Learning Environments Grant

from the Nebraska/Western Iowa A4LE Chapter to execute the installation of “Sensory Motor Pathways.”

Motion Passed: I move to accept the grant funds in the amount of \$2,000 from the Nebraska/Western Iowa A4LE Chapter Innovation in Learning Environments Grant for the installation of Sensory Motor Pathways passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Deb Parks.

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

8.3.2. 2023 Pacific Life Grant – 3T’s of Education

Mr. Brett Schwartz, Otte Middle School Principal, was awarded a 2023 Pacific Life Foundation 3T’s of Education Grant in the amount of \$3,000. The grant funds will be used to support programs at Otte Middle School in Teacher Training, Technology, or Textbooks.

Motion Passed: I move to accept the grant funds in the amount of \$3,000 from the 2023 Pacific Life Foundation 3T’s of Education 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	Absent
Courtney Tabor	Yes
Tim Welch	Yes

8.4. Consideration of Communications

8.5. Comments from The Public - None

8.6. Committee Reports

8.6.1. Policy Committee/Americanism Committee

The Policy Committee met on Thursday, April 27, 2023. A report from the committee was given by Deb Parks.

Motion Passed: I move to approve on first notification the revisions to Policy 604.05-Health Education as presented 2023 passed with a motion by Deb Parks and a second by Denise Cada.

Denise Cada	Yes
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes

Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Absent
Courtney Tabor	Yes
Tim Welch	Yes

8.6.2. BG&T Committee

The Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation Committee met on Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 4:00pm. A report from the committee was given by Steve Callaghan.

8.6.3. Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 12:00pm. A report from the committee was given by Kari Loseke.

Motion Passed: I move to approve the administration to enter into a contract with the selected Food Service Management Company, Taher, Inc. contingent upon contract clarification via addendums and Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) approval passed with a motion by Kari Loseke and a second by Ginger Fredericksen.

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

Motion Passed: I move to approve the recommendation for meal prices for the 2023-24 school year as presented passed with a motion by Kari Loseke and a second by Deb Parks.

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

Motion Passed: I move to approve the purchase of two (2) wrestling mats totaling \$28,352.00 from Resilite Sports Products to be paid using the Savings Depreciation Fund passed with a motion by Kari Loseke and a second by Courtney Tabor.

Denise Cada	Yes
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes

Brandi Petersen Absent
Courtney Tabor Yes
Tim Welch Yes

Motion Passed: I move to approve \$28,000 for the increase of certified administrators' total compensation inclusive of wages and benefits, for the 2023-24 school year to be allocated by the Superintendent passed with a motion by Kari Loseke and a second by Steve Callaghan.

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

Motion Passed: I move to approve \$129,000 for the increase of classified staff total compensation inclusive of wages and benefits, for the 2023-24 school year to be allocated by the Superintendent passed with a motion by Kari Loseke and a second by Deb Parks.

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

8.7. Early Childhood Education Program Instruction Hours

Motion Passed: I move to approve the revisions in Early Childhood Education instruction hours, per section 005.01A Pursuant to the Provisions of Neb. Rev Stat §79-213, for the 2022-23 school year as presented passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Deb Parks.

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

8.8 Approval of Administrators and Teachers

Motion Passed: I move to approve the new administrators and teachers, Kadan English, Miranda Stade, Kaitlyn Meyer, Dr. Brittney Bills, Erin Field, and Tatum Hartvigsen, as presented passed with a motion by Ginger Fredericksen and a second by Steve Callaghan.

Denise Cada Yes

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

8.8. Acceptance of Resignations

Motion Passed: I move to accept the resignations of Pam Petersen and Kori Archbold, upon the conclusion of the 2022-23 school year as presented passed with a motion by Ginger Fredericksen and a second by Tim Welch.

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

8.10. Superintendent Report

8.11. Informational Item

9. Adjournment

Motion Passed: I move to adjourn the meeting at 8:04pm passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Deb Parks.

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

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Secretary Board of Education

Randall Gilson, Ed.D.
Superintendent