

# **THE BOARD REPORT**

## **BLAIR COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**

The Board of Education met on Monday, March 09, 2015 at West School for a 6:00 pm Public Work Session and a 7:00 pm Regular Board Meeting. Board members present were: Ginger Fredericksen, Kari Loseke, Deb Parks, Brandi Petersen, Jennifer Rezylik (excused herself at 6:48 pm), Lyle Schjodt, Molly Dahlgren, Dave Warrick, and Bob Schoby.

### **Public Work Session:**

Two items were up for discussion at the public work session. The Blair Community Schools Foundation before and After School Program and the High School Running Track Reconstruction.

### **Pledge of Allegiance:**

Students from Deerfield Primary Preschool led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Consent Agenda and Claims:**

The Board of Education approved the minutes of the February 9, 2015 Board meeting, The Treasurer's Report, and payment of monthly claims.

### **Recognitions:**

Mr. Mark Gutschow introduced six high school Independent Study students for Environmental Education that work with DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge. The six students are: Casey Harper, Jason Saville, Jordan Groves, Zac Barnhill, Edgar Dishong, and Kathleen Thompson. Mr. Tom Cox, from the refuge, spoke about the variety of jobs the students do while working out on the refuge. Kathleen Thompson works at the visitor's center and helps with presentations. The students receive five credits per semester for their efforts.

### **Committee Reports:**

The Policy Committee met on Monday, February 23, 2015. The Board action taken from this committee:

- **approved** the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school calendars as presented.
- **approved** the resolution for Option Enrollment capacities for the 2015-2016 school year.

The Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation Committee met on Tuesday, February 24, 2015. The Board action taken from this committee:

- **approved** the bid from M.E. Collins for the replacement of the high school track.

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The Curriculum Committee met on Thursday, February 26, 2015. The Board action taken from this committee:

- **approved** the program and facility use request for the Blair Community Schools Foundation to sponsor a Before and After School Program at school buildings with details to be worked out by administration .

The Finance Committee met on Tuesday, March 3, 2015. The Board action taken from this committee:

- **approved** the transfer funds from the Building Fund to the General Fund to pay March and April claims. Funds to be paid back in May to the Building Fund.
- **approved** the request from the administration to allow OPUS to use a picture and testimonial letter provided by the district for promotional literature in exchange for a medication cart update at no cost.

**Acceptance of Resignations:**

The Board approved to accept the resignations of Lindsay Stier and Elizabeth Fude, upon the conclusion of the 2014-2015 school year.

**Closed Session:**

The Board entered Closed Session at 8:20 pm for the protection of public interest on the discussion of pending real estate matters. The Board reconvened in Open Session at 8:39 pm. The Board took the following action to expedite offers that may come in:

- **approved** the sale offer for the Administration Building.
- **approved** to list the Jackson Street house and the Vacant Lot with WC Real Estate and authorize the Superintendent and Board President to use their discretion in accepting offers.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 pm. A Special Board of Education meeting will be held on March 23, 2015 at 7:00 pm. The next regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education will be held on April 13, 2015 at 7:00 pm. Both meetings to be held at West School.

Respectfully submitted,



Mr. Rex Pfeil  
Superintendent of Schools