

THE BOARD REPORT

BLAIR COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

The Board of Education met on Monday, September 9, 2019 at Deerfield Primary for a 7:00 pm Special Board Meeting to hold a 2019-20 Budget Hearing and a 2019-20 Tax Request Hearing. Immediately following, the Board held their regular monthly Board meeting. Board Members Present: Lyle Schjodt, Brittney Gunderson, Denise Ray, Brandi Petersen, Kari Loseke, Deb Parks, Bob Schoby, and Steve Callaghan. Board Member Absent Excused: Laura Ronning.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Blair High School students, in the AEP Mentor program, led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda and Claims:

The Board of Education approved the minutes of the August 12, 2019 Board of Education Regular meeting, the minutes of the August 26, 2019 Board of Education Special meeting, the Treasurer's Report, and payment of monthly claims.

Acceptance of Gifts:

- **Approved** the donation for \$1,000 from Spartan Nash as part of the Direct your Dollars Program at Otte Middle School.
- **Approved** the donation totaling \$1,175 from Washington County Fair Board to the Blair FFA Chapter.

Consideration of Communications:

- **Approved** the Blair Area Community Band to use the Blair High School Auditorium for a performance on Sunday, December 1, 2019.
- **Approved** the request for BHS Dance Team to have their professional picture taken on Sunday, September 29, 2019.
- **Approved** the BHS Concert Choir, under the direction of Mr. Dan Hutsell, to take part in the Omaha Symphony Choral Collaborative project on November 10, 2019.
- **Approved** the request from the Blair FFA Chapter to volunteer with flood relief efforts on September 28-29, 2019.
- **Approved** the request for FBLA members to attend the Fall Leadership Conference in Denver, Colorado from November 14-17, 2019.

Committee Reports:

- Policy Committee
 - The Policy Committee met on Monday, August 26, 2019. A report of the committee was given by Lyle Schjodt.
 - **Approved** the request to take a group of 8th grade students to Washington D.C. from June 8-11, 2020.
- Curriculum Committee
 - The Curriculum Committee met on Wednesday, August 28, 2019. A report of the committee was given by Denise Ray.
- BG&T Committee
 - The BG&T Committee met on Thursday, August 29, 2019. A report of the committee was given by Bob Schoby.

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- Accepted the bid from Echo Group, Inc., in the amount of \$15,400, for the purchase and installation of LED lighting in the band room at Blair High School to be paid out of the District Building Fund.
- Finance Committee
 - The Finance Committee met on Tuesday, September 3, 2019. A report was given by Brandi Petersen.
 - **Accepted** the bid from Cornhusker International Trucks, Inc. for the amount of \$92,630 for the purchase of a new school bus.
 - **Approved** an Interlocal Agreement, with Ft. Calhoun and Arlington Public Schools, for an Occupational Therapist for the 2019-20 school year as presented.
 - **Approved** to recognize the BEA as the exclusive bargaining agent for the District's non-supervisory certificated staff for the 2021-22 contract year.

Approval of the 2019-20 Budget:

- **Approved** The 2019-20 budget for Washington County School District 89-0001 as presented

2019-20 Tax Request Resolution:

- **Approved** the 2019-20 Tax Request Resolution for the Washington County School District 89-0001 as presented.

Acceptance of Resignations:

- **Approved** the resignation of certified staff member Michelle Simpson.

Closed Session:

- The Board entered into Closed Session for the protection of public interest on the discussion of real estate matters. There was no action taken.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 9:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



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Superintendent of Schools