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THE BOARD REPORT BLAIR COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

The Board of Education met on Monday, September 14, 2015 at The Blair Community Administration Building for a 6:00 pm Public Work Session and a 7:00 pm Regular Board Meeting. Board members present were: Molly Dahlgren, Brandi Petersen, Kari Loseke, Deb Parks, Lyle Schjodt, Dave Warrick, and Bob Schoby. Board members absent excused: Jennifer Rezylik and Ginger Fredericksen

Work Session:

The Board of Education discussed a final summary of a self-evaluation they completed and reviewed the Expenditure Reduction Plan approved on January 26, 2015.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Students from Blair High School led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing for 2015-16 Budget:

The Board convened a public hearing for the purpose of accepting comments and questions on the proposed budget. Mr. Shearer shared a presentation on the State Budget and Published Hearing Notices, explanation of the State Budget vs. Operating Budget, highlights of the General Fund Operating Budget, and discussion on Tax Requests and Levy amounts. The hearing was held from 7:00pm – 7:41pm. No comments from the public.

Public Hearing for 2015-16 Tax Request:

The Board convened a public hearing for the purpose of accepting comments and questions on the proposed 2015-16 tax request. The hearing was held from 7:41pm - 7:43pm. No comments from the public.

Consent Agenda and Claims:

The Board of Education approved the minutes of the August 10, 2015 Board of Education Regular meeting and August 24, 2015 Board of Education Special meeting. The Treasurer's Report, and payment of monthly claims.

Considerations of Communications:

- **Approved** the request of the FFA organization to attend the FFA National Competition held on October 28-31, 2015 in Louisville Kentucky and to pay for sponsor expenses per Board Policy.
- **Approved** the request of the BHS Cheerleading Squad to host a cheer clinic on November 14&15, 2015 or November 21&22, 2015.
- **Approved** the request of the BHS Cheerleaders to have their picture taken professionally on a Sunday later this fall.
- **Approved** to accept the Blair Education Association as the exclusive bargaining agent for the District's non-supervisory certificated staff for the 2017-18 contract year.

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Committee Reports:

The Policy Committee met on Monday, August 31, 2015. The Board action taken from this committee:

• Approved a first reading on *Policy 1001.00*-Principles and Objectives for Community Relations, *Policy 1002.00*-District Annual Report, *Policy 1004.01*-Media Relations, *Policy 1004.02*-Press Releases, News Conferences, and Interviews, *Policy 1004.03*-Crisis Management Communications, and *Policy 1005.10*-Districution or Posting Materials.

The BG&T Committee met on Tuesday, September 1, 2015. No action was taken from this committee.

The Curriculum Committee met on Thursday, September 3, 2015. No action was taken from this committee.

The Finance Committee met on Tuesday, September 8, 2015. No action was taken from this committee.

Approval of the 2015-16 Budget:

• **Approved** the 2015-16 Budget for Washington County School District 89-00012 as presented.

2015-16 Tax Request Resolution:

• **Approved** the 2015-16 Tax Request Resolution for Washington County School District 89-0001.

Closed Session:

The Board entered into Closed Session at 8:10pm for the protection of public interest on the discussion of real estate matters. The Board reconvened in Open Session at 8:23pm. No action was taken from this closed session.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 8:25pm. The next regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education will be held on October 12, 2015 at 7:00 pm at The Blair Community Administration Building.

Respectfully submitted,

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