

## Board of Education Regular Meeting

November 11, 2024 7:00 PM

Blair Central Office

1326 Park Street, Blair NE 68008

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### 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: Kari Loseke, Denise Cada, Courtney Tabor, Deb Parks, Steve Callaghan and Ginger Fredericksen.

#### 2.1. Approval of Absent Board Members – Brandi Petersen

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

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

### 3. Pledge of Allegiance

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

### 4. Board Vacancy

**Motion Passed:** I move to approve the Board Vacancy Resolution for Washington County School District 89-0001, to approve Ginger Fredericksen, a qualified registered voter, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Tim Welch, for the remainder of his unexpired term, which ends on the first Thursday after the first Tuesday in January 2027; said appointment is effective upon the passage of this resolution as presented passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Denise Cada.

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

### 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.

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| Steve Callaghan     | Yes    |
| Ginger Fredericksen | Yes    |
| Kari Loseke         | Yes    |
| Deb Parks           | Yes    |
| Brandi Petersen     | Absent |
| Courtney Tabor      | 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**

**8.3. Acceptance of Gifts**

**8.3.1. Future Farmers of America (FFA) Donation**

The Blair FFA Program has received a donation in the amount of \$2,001.70 from the Blair Community Schools Foundation. The funds will be used to assist sending students to the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis.

**Motion Passed:** I move to accept the donation in the amount of \$2,001.70 for the Blair FFA Program from the Blair Community Schools Foundation passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Denise Cada.

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

**8.4. Consideration of Communications**

**8.4.1. Blair High School Cheer Squad**

The Blair High School Cheer Squad is requesting permission to attend two cheerleading competitions.

- Jam the Gym. It is held at Millard West High School on Sunday, January 26, 2025.
- BHS Cheer Competition. It is held at Bennington High School on Sunday, February 9, 2025.

Due to the nature of scheduling for winter athletic competitions, cheer competitions are being held on Sundays. The competitions provide the team with valuable performance experience and judges'

feedback before the state competition in February.

**Motion Passed:** I move to approve the Blair High School Cheer Squad to participate in two Sunday competitions, Jam the Gym held at Millard West High School on Sunday, January 26, 2025 and BHS Cheer Competition held at Bennington High School on Sunday, February 9, 2025 passed with a motion by Deb Parks and a second by Denise Cada.

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

### **8.5. Superintendent Report**

Dr. Gilson presented the enhancements the district has put in place for handling bullying and harassment allegations moving forward.

**8.6. Comments from The Public** – Public comments were heard from three (3) patrons.

### **8.7. Committee Reports**

#### **8.7.1. Policy/Curriculum Committee**

The Policy/Curriculum Committee met on Monday, October 21, 2024 at 12:00pm. A report from the committee was given by Deb Parks.

**Motion Passed:** I move to approve the first reading of revisions to policy 1002-Community Use of School Facilities - Procedures passed with a motion by Deb Parks and a second by Courtney Tabor.

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

**Motion Passed:** I move to approve the first reading of new policy 560.2-Naloxone in School with a motion by Deb Parks and a second by Steve Callaghan.

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

#### **8.7.2. BG&T Committee**

The Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation Committee met on Tuesday, October 29, 2024 at 4:00pm. A report from the committee was given by Steve Callaghan.

**Motion Passed:** I move to approve the bid from Floors, Inc., in the amount of \$15,000 for the removal and installation of new carpet at the Blair High School passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Courtney Tabor.

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

**Motion Passed:** I move to approve the purchase of a sander truck and for the installation of a blade in the amount of, not to exceed, \$40,000 passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Courtney Tabor.

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

**Motion Passed:** I move to approve the purchase and installation for a new heating unit in the amount of \$18,460 for the BCAT Building passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Courtney Tabor.

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

**Motion Passed:** I move to approve the bid from McKinnis Roofing in the amount of \$47,873 to replace the exterior metal of the BCAT Building passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Courtney Tabor.

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

### 8.7.3. Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Tuesday, November 5, 2024 at 12:00pm. A report from the committee was given by Courtney Tabor.

**Motion Passed:** I move to recognize the Blair Education Association as the exclusive bargaining agent for the district's non-supervisory certificated staff the 2026-27 contract year passed with a motion by Courtney Tabor and a second by Steve Callaghan.

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

### 8.8. Approval of New Teachers – None

### 8.9. Acceptance of Resignations

**Motion Passed:** I move to accept the resignation of certified staff member, Trenton Bottorff, effective December 31, 2024 passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Deb Parks.

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

### 8.10. Informational Items

### 9. Adjournment

**Motion Passed:** I move to adjourn meeting at 8:08pm passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Ginger Fredericksen.

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

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Angie Conety  
Secretary Board of Education

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Randall Gilson, Ed.D.  
Superintendent