

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, July 12, 2021 7:00 PM

Blair Public Library
2233 Civic Drive
Blair, NE 68008

Agenda

1. Call to Order

Information concerning the Open Meeting Law, Chapter 84, Article 14 of Nebraska State Statutes, is posted in the meeting room, at a location accessible to members of the public, and is attached to the agenda

Mrs. Kari Loseke, Board President, will call the Board of Education Regular meeting to order.

2. Roll Call

The Board Secretary will conduct roll call attendance.

3. Approval of Absent Board Members

4. Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. Gilson will lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. Public Hearing for the 2021-22 Student Fees Schedule

The Blair Community Schools Board of Education will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of public comments on proposed changes to the Student Fees Schedule for the 2021-22 school year. Board discussion and consideration for action regarding this policy and hearing comments will take place on agenda item 9.8.

[540.20-Student Fees](#)

[504.20R1-Student Fees](#)

6. Approval of Emergency Additions to the Agenda

7. Call for Removal of Consent Agenda Items

8. Approval of the Consent Agenda

8.1. Waiver of reading minutes from previous meeting

8.2. Acceptance of minutes of the previous meeting as published

June 14, 2021 Board of Education Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes

8.3. Receipt of Communications

8.4. Treasurer's Report

- General Fund
- Building Fund and Savings & Depreciation

8.5. Audit of Claims

- Activity Fund
- General Fund

9. Business

9.1. Items removed from Consent Agenda

9.2. Recognitions

9.3. Acceptance of Gifts

9.3.1. Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District Outdoor Classroom Grant

Todd Wick, Arbor Park Teacher, has been awarded a \$1,500 from Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District Outdoor Grant. The funds will be utilized for his outdoor classroom.

Administration is recommending Board approval of the grant funds.

9.4. Consideration of Communications

9.5. Comments From The Public

This is the portion of the meeting when members of the public may address the board about matters of public concern.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WISH TO SPEAK:

1. Getting started: When you have been recognized, please stand and state your name.
2. Time Limit: You may speak only one time and must limit your comments to 5 minutes or less.
3. Personnel or Student Topic: If you are planning to speak about a personnel or student matter involving an individual, please understand that our policies require you to follow the district's complaint procedure before addressing the board. Board members will generally not respond to any questions or comments you make about individual staff members or students. Please remember that slanderous comments will not be tolerated.
4. General Rules: This is a public meeting for the conduct of business. Comments from within the audience while others are speaking will not be tolerated. Offensive language, personal attacks, and hostile conduct will not be tolerated.

5. No action by the Board: The Board will not act on any matter unless it is on the published agenda.

9.6. Committee Reports

9.6.1. Policy Committee

The Policy Committee met on Wednesday, June 30, 2021. Meeting minutes are attached.

Policies:

[1006.01R1-Community Use of School Facilities - Procedures](#)

[1100.00-Bulletin Boards](#)

[1200.00-Anti-Harrassment](#)

[313.20-Internal Controls](#)

[400.30-Employee Antidiscrimination](#)

[400.30A-Notice of Nondiscrimination](#)

[400.30B-Employee Complaint Form - Discrimination, Harassment, or Retaliation](#)

[400.70-U.S. Department of Labor FMLA Policy](#)

[400.70A-U.S. Department of Labor FMLA Notice of Eligibility and Rights and Responsibilities](#)

[400.70B-U.S. Department of Labor FMLA Designation Notice](#)

[400.70C-U.S. Department of Labor FMLA Certification of Health Care Provider for Family Members Serious Health Conditions](#)

[400.70D-U.S. Department of Labor FMLA Certification of Qualifying Exigency for Military Families Leave](#)

[400.70E-U.S. Department of Labor FMLA Family Military Leave Certification for Serious Injury of Service Members](#)

[400.25-Professional Boundaries](#)

[500.20-Release Form for Child Age 6 to Not Attend School/Disenroll to Attend Homeschool](#)

[500.20A-Nebraska Department of Education Withdrawal Form from Mandatory Attendance](#)

[540.10B-Complaint Form - Discrimination, Harassment or Retaliation](#)

[660.00-Special Education Policy](#)

[203.10-Standing Committees on Negotiation - Board President](#)

[540.10A-Equal Opportunity](#)

[611.01-Classroom Environment](#)

[621.20-Assessments - Academic Content Standards](#)

[203.01-Annual Organizational Meeting with Resolution](#)

[203.06-Standing Committees - Board President](#)

[202.03-Board Self-Evaluation](#)

9.6.2. BG&T Committee

The Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation Committee met on Wednesday, June 30, 2021. Meeting minutes are attached.

9.6.3. Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Tuesday, July 6, 2021. Meeting minutes are attached.

9.7. Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) Proposed Health Standards and Resolution

Recently, the Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) released Draft Health Standards they are proposing. These standards have been very controversial because they include matters of faith and morals and infringe on the required separation of church from state in public schools.

Local School Boards are not required to adopt the Nebraska Health Standards. Since NDE's proposed health standards have been so widely publicized and controversial, Dr. Gilson is recommending the school board pass a resolution that is being recommended by Senator Hansen along with 29 other Senators who have signed off on the bill. The resolution informs the Board determines the parents and guardians are the primary educators of their own children, especially in matters of faith and morals, including sex education.

Here is a FAQ issued by the Nebraska School Board Association (NASB). [FAQ for you to better understand the role of the Proposed Health Standards](#)

9.8. 2021-22 Student Fees

Items for proposed Board action:

- Approval of the Student Fee Schedule for the 2021-22 school year.
 - Policy [504.20R1-Grades K-12 Student Fees](#)
- Proposed Revisions:
 - Page 2. Swimming: Suit, pay-to-play, goggles, transportation.
 - Page 5. Grade 9-12 Swimming - not to exceed \$2,500
 - Pay to Play (Fremont Co-Op fees).
 - Transportation fees.

9.9. Approval of New Teachers

Recommended approval for certified staff member, Ashley Bacon, for the 2021-22 school year. Ashley will be teaching 2nd grade at South Primary Elementary.

9.10. Acceptance of Resignations

9.11. Superintendent Report

9.12. Informational Items

- Reopening Plan

10. Adjournment