

Committee Board Meeting
Bloomfield Community Schools - Board of Education
Monday, September 9, 2024/6:30 PM

High School, Room 14, 311 E. Benton Street, Bloomfield, NE 68718

The purpose of this meeting is to conduct the business of the district. Action Items are included in the work of the board.

1. Opening the Meeting

- 1.a. Call to Order: A call to order indicates the beginning of the meeting.
- 1.b. Board Member Roll Call: Roll call, a fundamental process in meetings, holds crucial importance when it comes to determining the presence of a quorum. A quorum refers to the minimum number of participants required for a meeting to be considered valid and for the decisions made within it to hold weight.
- 1.c. District Mission Statement:

Bloomfield Community Schools:
Building Excellence, Encouraging Success
Honesty - Community - Relationships

- 1.d. Nebraska Open Meetings Law: The Nebraska Open Meetings Act guarantees that every meeting of a public body shall be open to the public in order that citizens may exercise their democratic privilege of attending and speaking at meetings of public bodies
 - 1.e. Publication of Meeting: As identified by the NE Public Meetings Law, a public notice announces the time, date, and place of a public meeting. The public has the right to attend meetings of public bodies, listen to debate(s), and watch the decision-making process.
 - 1.f. Pledge of Allegiance:
- 2. Approval of Agenda** A meeting agenda helps you and your colleagues prepare for a meeting and guide yourselves through the items you need to discuss. Time spent in planning an agenda will likely save time for all meeting participants by providing a clear set of topics, objectives, and time frames.
- 3. Informational/Discussion Items** Informational/Discussion Items - Items intended only to provide information to the Board and require no action; this includes communication items. Informational items can be scheduled during Regular, Special, or Committee of the Whole meetings.
- 3.a. **Insurance Presentations** The BOE will listen to presentations by Tammy Brodersen, Midland Insurance Agency, EMC, and Sherry Shonka, Public Risk Management Incorporated, ALICAP, to assist it in determining which insurance provider will be the District's provider in 2024-25. Each company will give a 30-35-minute presentation of its product and services.

The BOE will discuss the presentations afterward. Questions by the BOE are encouraged during each presentation for clarity and depth of understanding.

- 3.b. NSAB This item will contain important and pertinent information as to NSAB announcements and events.
- 3.b.i. NSAB State Conference **Nebraska Association of State Board's State Education Conference, November 20th - 22nd, 2024, at the CHI Health Conference Center.**
- 3.c. Policy Policy is the backbone of the operation of the BOE. It is used to govern the business and actions of the work of the Board. This Informational/Discussion topic is used to discuss, update, and validate the policies of the Board.
- 3.d. Strategic Planning The SOC/Community meeting has been postponed to a later date due to the urgency of completing the 2024-25 BCS budget process.

In Strategic Planning discussions for the SOC/Community meeting will be rescheduled into October or early November.

- 3.e. Board Member Elections - November 5, 2024 There are three seats open on the BCS BOE. Five candidates have filed. Is the BOE interested in conducting a candidate forum in which these candidates discuss and inform District voters of their platform for election? How could we conduct such a forum? Would the BOE consider hosting a live forum? Would you consider a written forum where candidates respond to questions about their reasoning, purpose, and vision for BCS? Where would/could we post their responses? What other ideas do you have concerning this idea?
- 3.f. Administrative and Leadership Team Reports Administrative Reports are
- These reports are valuable and timely, and the BOE is very thankful for them. The BOE is not present in the district or schools often enough to capture the district's "heartbeat." These reports offer us that opportunity.
 - Provide a history of district/school/department information.
 - Give the stakeholders factual, achievable, and just-in-time information.

Frequency

All department Admin Reports are given for the BOE meetings on the **first Monday of the month**. If a department has additional information to share, time will be allotted during a Regular or Special Meeting.

1. **COW** meetings, and occasionally, **Special** meetings, are conducted on the first Monday of the month.

Report Content and Format

1. When considering the content of your department's report, identify the "Big Ideas" and "Notables."

Presentation of the Reports

1. All Admin Reports will be posted to the COW agenda for BOE and stakeholder review.
2. All Administrative Reports will be provided to the BOE for review and questions before the Regular meeting.
 1. Administrators will have the opportunity to respond to BOE questions at the meeting.
 2. Plus, at the designated time of their reports, they are welcome to embellish, add additional items, etc.

If the administrator or department has no updates or news to report, it can submit "No Report at this time."

- 3.f.i. Superintendent
- 3.f.ii. Secondary Principal
- 3.f.iii. Elementary Principal
- 3.f.iv. SPED Director
- 3.f.v. Guidance Director
- 3.f.vi. Technology Director
- 3.f.vii. Athletic Director
- 3.f.viii. Buildings & Grounds Director
- 3.f.ix. Transportation Director

4. **Public Comment** The purpose of the public comment period is for members of the public to inform the governing body of their views.
5. **Closed Session** The Board of Education may move into a closed session by a majority vote if a closed session is necessary for the protection of the public interest or the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual.
6. **Adjournment** A motion to adjourn is a formal procedure that ends a meeting. If there is any unfinished business at the time of adjournment, it is typically carried over to the next meeting. Prior to the motion to adjourn, the chair should be sure that no important matters have gone unnoticed.

This meeting aims to introduce/affirm, inform, and provide a forum for the Board to discuss the district's business and events.