

Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, May 8, 2017 7:00 PM

BCS Administration Building
1100 Deerfield Blvd
Blair, NE 68008

Agenda

1. Call to Order

Information concerning the Open Meeting Law, Chapter 84, Article 14 of Nebraska State Statutes, is posted on the bulletin board in this room.

2. Roll Call

Mr. Lyle Schjodt, President, will call the Board of Education Regular meeting to order.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Anderson will introduce our Pledge of Allegiance leader tonight:

- Erika Swenson, Chloe Martin, and Cara Penner, BHS National Honor Society officers.

4. Approval of Emergency Additions to the Agenda

5. Consent Agenda

5.1. Call for Removal of Consent Agenda Items

5.2. Approval of Consent Agenda

5.2.1. Waiver of reading minutes from previous meeting

5.2.2. Acceptance of minutes of the previous meeting as published

5.2.3. Receipt of Communications

5.2.4. Treasurer's Report

5.2.5. Audit of Claims

6. Business

6.1. Items removed from Consent Agenda

6.2. Recognitions

6.3. Acceptance of Gifts

6.4. Consideration of Communications

6.4.1. Skills USA National Competition

A letter has been received from Mr. Anderson, BHS Principal, asking permission for the Skills USA National Qualifiers to attend the National Conference June 19th - June 23rd in Louisville, Kentucky. He is also requesting financial assistance for the adviser fees for the trip.

The administration recommends approving the request, and per Board policy 607.05- Student Field Trips, Excursions, and National Conventions, the district will fund the

sponsor's transportation, lodging, meals, registration fees and other expenses associated with the event.

6.5. 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.

6.6. Committee Reports

6.6.1. Policy Committee

The Policy Committee met Monday, April 24, 2017. Meeting minutes are attached.

6.6.2. Curriculum Committee

The Curriculum Committee met on Wednesday, April 26, 2017. Meeting minutes are attached.

6.6.3. BG&T Committee

The Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation Committee met on Thursday, April 20, 2017. Meeting minutes are attached.

Items from this committee for proposed Board action:

- to authorize the administration to conduct the annual school district surplus sale.

6.6.4. Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Thursday, May 4, 2017. Meeting minutes are attached.

Item from this committee for proposed Board action:

- to approve \$86,000.00 for the increase of classified staff pay, inclusive of wages and benefits, for the 2017-18 school year to be allocated by the Superintendent.
- to approve \$33,000.00 for the increase of certified administrator pay, inclusive of salaries and benefits, and excluding the Superintendent, for the 2017-18 school year to be allocated by the Superintendent.

6.7. Approval of Wireless Network Updates

Discussion and consideration of the following proposals regarding updates to internet services and wireless updates:

Proposal #1: Router/Firewall

Purchase and installation of one (1) centrally located device to replace existing older device. The router serves as a secure gateway to incoming and outgoing internet traffic for the district. Three vendors submitted qualifying bids. The lowest and most qualified bidder is Integration Partners. The recommendation from the administration is to approve the bid proposal submitted by Integration Partners with the amount not to exceed \$23,248.02. This proposal would be paid by federal E-Rate grant funds.

Proposal #2: Network Switches

Purchase and installation of forty-one (41) devices to replace existing (41) older devices. Network switches provide zoned internet service to individual access points in the attendance centers. Five vendors submitted qualifying bids. The lowest and most qualified bidder is Cambium Data. The recommendation from the administration is to approve the bid proposal submitted by Cambium Data with the amount not to exceed \$113,372.50. This proposal would be paid by federal E-Rate grant funds.

Proposal #3: Wireless Network and Access Points

Purchase and installation of fifty-five (55) additional network access points (for a total of 132) in the attendance centers. Wireless access points provide internet delivery to individual client devices in the attendance centers. Four vendors submitted qualifying bids. The lowest and most qualified bidder is SmartWave Technologies. The recommendation from the administration is to approve the bid proposal submitted by SmartWave Technologies with the amount not to exceed \$87,420.95. This proposal would be paid by local district funds as approved in the November 2016 bond issue referendum.

6.8. Acceptance of Resignations

The following certified staff member, will be resigning effective upon the conclusion of the 2016-2017 school year:

- Cassandra Hines, 3-5 Grade Special Education Teacher

6.9. Approval of New Teachers

Approval of certified staff for the 2017-18 school year:

- Kaitlyn Wacker, 3-5 Grade Special Education Teacher
- Whitney Hodson, 4th Grade Teacher
- Taylor Jensen, 3-5 Grade PE Teacher
- Cole Wills, 9-12 Math Teacher
- Tammi Japp, 3-5 Library/Media Specialist

6.10. Informational Items

6.11. Closed Session

The Board of Education is authorized by state statute to hold closed sessions. Closed sessions may be held when clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual. Reasons that meet this standard include but are not limited to: (a) strategy sessions with respect to collective bargaining, real estate matters, pending litigation, or litigation which is imminent as evidenced by communication of a claim or threat of litigation to or by the public body; (b) discussion regarding deployment of security personnel or devices; (c) investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal misconduct; (d) evaluation of the job performance of a person when necessary to prevent needless injury to the reputation of a person and if such person has not requested a public meeting; and (e) legal advice.

The Board will enter into Closed Session for the protection of public interest on the discussion of a personnel matter to prevent needless injury to the reputation of a person and if such person has not requested a public meeting.

7. Adjournment