

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, February 12, 2024 7:00 PM

Blair Central Office

1326 Park Street

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 attached to the online 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. Approval of Emergency Additions to the Agenda

6. Call for Removal of Consent Agenda Items

7. Approval of the Consent Agenda

7.1. Waiver of reading minutes from previous meeting

7.2. Acceptance of minutes of the previous meeting as published

- January 15, 2024, Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes

7.3. Receipt of Communications

7.4. Treasurer's Report

- General Fund

- Building Fund and Savings & Depreciation

7.5. Audit of Claims

- Activity Fund
- General Fund

8. Business

8.1. Items removed from Consent Agenda

8.2. Recognitions

8.3. Acceptance of Gifts

8.4. Consideration of Communications

8.4.1. Journalism Education Association National High School Journalism Conference

A letter has been received from Amy Lueders, BHS Journalism teacher, and Kelli Westphal, BHS Newspaper/Yearbook Advisor, requesting permission to attend the Journalism Education Association National High School Journalism Conference held in Kansas City, MO on April 4-6, 2024. They would be attending with active student members of the Newspaper, Yearbook, and Journalism classes.

The convention provides opportunities beyond what they can offer in the classroom with hundreds of learning sessions, hands-on workshops, problem-solving breakouts, and high-profile keynote speakers. Advisor fees will be covered by BHS Journalism and students will cover their own expenses.

8.5. 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:

- Getting started: When you have been recognized, please stand and state your name.
- Time Limit: The board has the discretion to limit the amount of time set aside for public participation and unless stated otherwise, will employ a time limit of 5 minutes or less.
- 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.

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

8.6. Committee Reports

8.6.1. Policy/Curriculum Committee

The Policy/Curriculum Committee did not meet this month.

8.6.2. BG&T Committee

The Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation Committee did not meet this month.

8.6.3. Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Tuesday, February 6, 2024 . Meeting minutes are attached.

8.7. Approval of New Teachers

- Makenzie Scollard - 3rd Grade Teacher at Deerfield Elementary
- Kristen Wullschleger - Kindergarten Teacher at Deerfield Elementary
- Ashley McCoy - Early Childhood Education Teacher
- Taylor Santos - Blair High School Computer Science
- Tabitha Rogge - Blair High School FCS Teacher

8.8. Acceptance of Resignations

- Krissy Anderson - Kindergarten Teacher, Deerfield Elementary
- Angie Boyd - 5th Grade Teacher, Deerfield Elementary
- Matt Novak - Blair High School Social Studies Teacher

8.9. Superintendent Report

8.10. Informational Items

Monthly Board Reports

- Blair High School
 - Otte Middle School
 - Arbor Park Elementary
 - Deerfield Elementary
 - Student Services
9. Adjournment

NEBRASKA OPEN MEETINGS ACT

84-1407. Act, how cited.

Sections 84-1407 to 84-1414 shall be known and may be cited as the Open Meetings Act.

Source: Laws 2004, LB 821, § 34.

84-1408. Declaration of intent; meetings open to public.

It is hereby declared to be the policy of this state that the formation of public policy is public business and may not be conducted in secret.

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, except as otherwise provided by the Constitution of Nebraska, federal statutes, and the Open Meetings Act.

Source: Laws 1975, LB 325, § 1; Laws 1996, LB 900, § 1071; Laws 2004, LB 821, § 35.

Annotations

- Nebraska's public meetings laws do not apply to school board deliberations pertaining solely to disputed adjudicative facts. *McQuinn v. Douglas Cty. Sch. Dist. No. 66*, 259 Neb. 720, 612 N.W.2d 198 (2000).
- The primary purpose of the public meetings law is to ensure that public policy is formulated at open meetings. *Marks v. Judicial Nominating Comm.*, 236 Neb. 429, 461 N.W.2d 551 (1990).
- The public meetings law is broadly interpreted and liberally construed to obtain the objective of openness in favor of the public, and provisions permitting closed sessions must be narrowly and strictly construed. *Grein v. Board of Education of Fremont*, 216 Neb. 158, 343 N.W.2d 718 (1984).
- A county board of equalization is a public body whose meetings shall be open to the public. *Wolf v. Grubbs*, 17 Neb. App. 292, 759 N.W.2d 499 (2009).

84-1409. Terms, defined.

For purposes of the Open Meetings Act, unless the context otherwise requires:

(1)(a) Public body means (i) governing bodies of all political subdivisions of the State of Nebraska, (ii) governing bodies of all agencies, created by the Constitution of Nebraska, statute, or otherwise pursuant to law, of the executive department of the State of Nebraska, (iii) all independent boards, commissions, bureaus, committees, councils, subunits, or any other bodies created by the Constitution of Nebraska, statute, or otherwise pursuant to law, (iv) all study or

advisory committees of the executive department of the State of Nebraska whether having continuing existence or appointed as special committees with limited existence, (v) advisory committees of the bodies referred to in subdivisions (i), (ii), and (iii) of this subdivision, and (vi) instrumentalities exercising essentially public functions; and

(b) Public body does not include (i) subcommittees of such bodies unless a quorum of the public body attends a subcommittee meeting or unless such subcommittees are holding hearings, making policy, or taking formal action on behalf of their parent body, except that all meetings of any subcommittee established under section 81-15,175 are subject to the Open Meetings Act, and (ii) entities conducting judicial proceedings unless a court or other judicial body is exercising rulemaking authority, deliberating, or deciding upon the issuance of administrative orders;

(2) Meeting means all regular, special, or called meetings, formal or informal, of any public body for the purposes of briefing, discussion of public business, formation of tentative policy, or the taking of any action of the public body; and

(3) Videoconferencing means conducting a meeting involving participants at two or more locations through the use of audio-video equipment which allows participants at each location to hear and see each meeting participant at each other location, including public input. Interaction between meeting participants shall be possible at all meeting locations.

Source: Laws 1975, LB 325, § 2; Laws 1983, LB 43, § 1; Laws 1989, LB 429, § 42; Laws 1989, LB 311, § 14; Laws 1992, LB 1019, § 124; Laws 1993, LB 635, § 1; Laws 1996, LB 1044, § 978; Laws 1997, LB 798, § 37; Laws 2004, LB 821, § 36; Laws 2007, LB296, § 810; Laws 2011, LB366, § 2.

Annotations

- A township is a political subdivision, and as such, a township board is subject to the provisions of the public meetings laws. *Steenblock v. Elkhorn Township Bd.*, 245 Neb. 722, 515 N.W.2d 128 (1994).
- A county agricultural society is a public body to which the provisions of the Nebraska public meetings law are applicable. *Nixon v. Madison Co. Ag. Soc'y*, 217 Neb. 37, 348 N.W.2d 119 (1984).
- Failure by a public governing body, as defined under section 84-1409, R.R.S.1943, to take and record a roll call vote on an action, as required by section 84-1413(2), R.S.Supp.,1980, grants any citizen the right to sue for the purpose of having the action declared void. In this case such failure could not be later corrected by a nunc pro tunc order because there was no showing that a roll call vote on the disputed action was actually taken, and even if it was the record showed it was not recorded until over a year later. Sections 23-1301, R.R.S.1943, and 23-1302, R.R.S.1943, make it the duty of the county clerk to record proceedings of the board of county commissioners. *State ex rel. Schuler v. Dunbar*, 208 Neb. 69, 302 N.W.2d 674 (1981).

- As an administrative agency of the county, a county board of equalization is a public body. *Wolf v. Grubbs*, 17 Neb. App. 292, 759 N.W.2d 499 (2009).
- The electors of a township at their annual meeting are a public body under the Open Meetings Act. *State ex rel. Newman v. Columbus Township Bd.*, 15 Neb. App. 656, 735 N.W.2d 399 (2007).
- The meeting at issue in this case was a "meeting" within the parameters of subsection (2) of this section because it involved the discussion of public business, the formation of tentative policy, or the taking of any action of the public power district. *Hansmeyer v. Nebraska Pub. Power Dist.*, 6 Neb. App. 889, 578 N.W.2d 476 (1998).
- Informational sessions in which the governmental body hears reports are briefings. *Johnson v. Nebraska Environmental Control Council*, 2 Neb. App. 263, 509 N.W.2d 21 (1993).

84-1410. Closed session; when; purpose; reasons listed; procedure; right to challenge; prohibited acts; chance meetings, conventions, or workshops.

(1) Any public body may hold a closed session by the affirmative vote of a majority of its voting members if a closed session is clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual and if such individual has not requested a public meeting. The subject matter and the reason necessitating the closed session shall be identified in the motion to close. Closed sessions may be held for, but shall not be limited to, such reasons as:

- (a) Strategy sessions with respect to collective bargaining, real estate purchases, 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;
- (e) For the Community Trust created under section 81-1801.02, discussion regarding the amounts to be paid to individuals who have suffered from a tragedy of violence or natural disaster; or
- (f) For public hospitals, governing board peer review activities, professional review activities, review and discussion of medical staff investigations or disciplinary actions, and any strategy session concerning transactional negotiations with any referral source that is required by federal law to be conducted at arms length.

Nothing in this section shall permit a closed meeting for discussion of the appointment or election of a new member to any public body.

(2) The vote to hold a closed session shall be taken in open session. The entire motion, the vote of each member on the question of holding a closed session, and the time when the closed session commenced and concluded shall be recorded in the minutes. If the motion to close passes, then the presiding officer immediately prior to the closed session shall restate on the record the limitation of the subject matter of the closed session. The public body holding such a closed session shall restrict its consideration of matters during the closed portions to only those purposes set forth in the motion to close as the reason for the closed session. The meeting shall be reconvened in open session before any formal action may be taken. For purposes of this section, formal action shall mean a collective decision or a collective commitment or promise to make a decision on any question, motion, proposal, resolution, order, or ordinance or formation of a position or policy but shall not include negotiating guidance given by members of the public body to legal counsel or other negotiators in closed sessions authorized under subdivision (1)(a) of this section.

(3) Any member of any public body shall have the right to challenge the continuation of a closed session if the member determines that the session has exceeded the reason stated in the original motion to hold a closed session or if the member contends that the closed session is neither clearly necessary for (a) the protection of the public interest or (b) the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual. Such challenge shall be overruled only by a majority vote of the members of the public body. Such challenge and its disposition shall be recorded in the minutes.

(4) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require that any meeting be closed to the public. No person or public body shall fail to invite a portion of its members to a meeting, and no public body shall designate itself a subcommittee of the whole body for the purpose of circumventing the Open Meetings Act. No closed session, informal meeting, chance meeting, social gathering, email, fax, or other electronic communication shall be used for the purpose of circumventing the requirements of the act.

(5) The act does not apply to chance meetings or to attendance at or travel to conventions or workshops of members of a public body at which there is no meeting of the body then intentionally convened, if there is no vote or other action taken regarding any matter over which the public body has supervision, control, jurisdiction, or advisory power.

Source: Laws 1975, LB 325, § 3; Laws 1983, LB 43, § 2; Laws 1985, LB 117, § 1; Laws 1992, LB 1019, § 125; Laws 1994, LB 621, § 1; Laws 1996, LB 900, § 1072; Laws 2004, LB 821, § 37; Laws 2004, LB 1179, § 1; Laws 2006, LB 898, § 1; Laws 2011, LB390, § 29; Laws 2012, LB995, § 17.

Annotations

- There is no absolute discovery privilege for communications that occur during a closed session. *State ex rel. Upper Republican NRD v. District Judges*, 273 Neb. 148, 728 N.W.2d 275 (2007).
- If a person present at a meeting observes a public meetings law violation in the form of an improper closed session and fails to object, that person waives his or her right to object at a later date. *Wasikowski v. Nebraska Quality Jobs Bd.*, 264 Neb. 403, 648 N.W.2d 756 (2002).
- The public interest mentioned in this section is that shared by citizens in general and by the community at large concerning pecuniary or legal rights and liabilities. *Grein v. Board of Education*, 216 Neb. 158, 343 N.W.2d 718 (1984).
- Hearing in closed executive session was contrary to this section since there was no showing of necessity or reason under subdivision (1)(a), (b), or (c), but did not result in reversal of board decision. *Simonds v. Board of Examiners*, 213 Neb. 259, 329 N.W.2d 92 (1983).
- Negotiations for the purchase of land need not be conducted at an open meeting but the deliberations of a city council as to whether an offer to purchase real estate should be made should take place in an open meeting. *Pokorny v. City of Schuyler*, 202 Neb. 334, 275 N.W.2d 281 (1979).
- Public meeting law was not violated where the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska voted to hold a closed session to consider the university president's resignation, and also discussed the appointment of an interim president during such session. *Meyer v. Board of Regents*, 1 Neb. App. 893, 510 N.W.2d 450 (1993).

84-1411. Meetings of public body; notice; contents; when available; right to modify; duties concerning notice; videoconferencing or telephone conferencing authorized; emergency meeting without notice; appearance before public body.

(1) Each public body shall give reasonable advance publicized notice of the time and place of each meeting by a method designated by each public body and recorded in its minutes. Such notice shall be transmitted to all members of the public body and to the public. Such notice shall contain an agenda of subjects known at the time of the publicized notice or a statement that the agenda, which shall be kept continually current, shall be readily available for public inspection at the principal office of the public body during normal business hours. Agenda items shall be sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting. Except for items of an emergency nature, the agenda shall not be altered later than (a) twenty-four hours before the scheduled commencement of the meeting or (b) forty-eight hours before the scheduled commencement of a meeting of a city council or village board scheduled outside the corporate limits of the municipality. The public body shall have the right to modify the agenda to include items of an emergency nature only at such public meeting.

(2) A meeting of a state agency, state board, state commission, state council, or state committee, of an advisory committee of any such state entity, of an organization created under the Interlocal

Cooperation Act, the Joint Public Agency Act, or the Municipal Cooperative Financing Act, of the governing body of a public power district having a chartered territory of more than one county in this state, of the governing body of a public power and irrigation district having a chartered territory of more than one county in this state, of a board of an educational service unit, of the Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council, of the governing body of a risk management pool or its advisory committees organized in accordance with the Intergovernmental Risk Management Act, or of a community college board of governors may be held by means of videoconferencing or, in the case of the Judicial Resources Commission in those cases specified in section 24-1204, by telephone conference, if:

- (a) Reasonable advance publicized notice is given;
- (b) Reasonable arrangements are made to accommodate the public's right to attend, hear, and speak at the meeting, including seating, recordation by audio or visual recording devices, and a reasonable opportunity for input such as public comment or questions to at least the same extent as would be provided if videoconferencing or telephone conferencing was not used;
- (c) At least one copy of all documents being considered is available to the public at each site of the videoconference or telephone conference;
- (d) At least one member of the state entity, advisory committee, board, council, or governing body is present at each site of the videoconference or telephone conference, except that a member of an organization created under the Interlocal Cooperation Act that sells electricity or natural gas at wholesale on a multistate basis, an organization created under the Municipal Cooperative Financing Act, or a governing body of a risk management pool or an advisory committee of such organization or pool may designate a nonvoting designee, who shall not be included as part of the quorum, to be present at any site; and
- (e)(i) Except as provided in subdivision (2)(e)(ii) of this section, no more than one-half of the state entity's, advisory committee's, board's, council's, or governing body's meetings in a calendar year are held by videoconference or telephone conference; or
- (ii) In the case of an organization created under the Interlocal Cooperation Act that sells electricity or natural gas at wholesale on a multistate basis or an organization created under the Municipal Cooperative Financing Act, such organization holds at least one meeting each calendar year that is not by videoconferencing or telephone conferencing.

Videoconferencing, telephone conferencing, or conferencing by other electronic communication shall not be used to circumvent any of the public government purposes established in the Open Meetings Act.

(3) A meeting of a board of an educational service unit, of the Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council, of the governing body of an entity formed under the Interlocal Cooperation Act, the Joint Public Agency Act, or the Municipal Cooperative Financing Act, of the governing body of a risk management pool or its advisory committees organized in accordance with the Intergovernmental Risk Management Act, of a community college board of governors, of the governing body of a public power district, of the governing body of a public

power and irrigation district, or of the Nebraska Brand Committee may be held by telephone conference call if:

(a) The territory represented by the educational service unit, member educational service units, community college board of governors, public power district, public power and irrigation district, Nebraska Brand Committee, or member public agencies of the entity or pool covers more than one county;

(b) Reasonable advance publicized notice is given which identifies each telephone conference location at which there will be present: (i) A member of the educational service unit board, council, community college board of governors, governing body of a public power district, governing body of a public power and irrigation district, Nebraska Brand Committee, or entity's or pool's governing body; or (ii) A nonvoting designee designated under subdivision (3)(f) of this section;

(c) All telephone conference meeting sites identified in the notice are located within public buildings used by members of the educational service unit board, council, community college board of governors, governing body of the public power district, governing body of the public power and irrigation district, Nebraska Brand Committee, or entity or pool or at a place which will accommodate the anticipated audience;

(d) Reasonable arrangements are made to accommodate the public's right to attend, hear, and speak at the meeting, including seating, recordation by audio recording devices, and a reasonable opportunity for input such as public comment or questions to at least the same extent as would be provided if a telephone conference call was not used;

(e) At least one copy of all documents being considered is available to the public at each site of the telephone conference call;

(f) At least one member of the educational service unit board, council, community college board of governors, governing body of the public power district, governing body of the public power and irrigation district, Nebraska Brand Committee, or governing body of the entity or pool is present at each site of the telephone conference call identified in the public notice, except that a member of an organization created under the Interlocal Cooperation Act that sells electricity or natural gas at wholesale on a multistate basis, an organization created under the Municipal Cooperative Financing Act, or a governing body of a risk management pool or an advisory committee of such organization or pool may designate a nonvoting designee, who shall not be included as part of the quorum, to be present at any site;

(g) The telephone conference call lasts no more than five hours; and

(h) No more than one-half of the board's, council's, governing body's, committee's, entity's, or pool's meetings in a calendar year are held by telephone conference call, except that:

(i) The governing body of a risk management pool that meets at least quarterly and the advisory committees of the governing body may each hold more than one-half of its meetings by

telephone conference call if the governing body's quarterly meetings are not held by telephone conference call or videoconferencing; and

(ii) An organization created under the Interlocal Cooperation Act that sells electricity or natural gas at wholesale on a multistate basis or an organization created under the Municipal Cooperative Financing Act may hold more than one-half of its meetings by telephone conference call if the organization holds at least one meeting each calendar year that is not by videoconferencing or telephone conference call.

Nothing in this subsection shall prevent the participation of consultants, members of the press, and other nonmembers of the governing body at sites not identified in the public notice. Telephone conference calls, emails, faxes, or other electronic communication shall not be used to circumvent any of the public government purposes established in the Open Meetings Act.

(4) The secretary or other designee of each public body shall maintain a list of the news media requesting notification of meetings and shall make reasonable efforts to provide advance notification to them of the time and place of each meeting and the subjects to be discussed at that meeting.

(5) When it is necessary to hold an emergency meeting without reasonable advance public notice, the nature of the emergency shall be stated in the minutes and any formal action taken in such meeting shall pertain only to the emergency. Such emergency meetings may be held by means of electronic or telecommunication equipment. The provisions of subsection (4) of this section shall be complied with in conducting emergency meetings. Complete minutes of such emergency meetings specifying the nature of the emergency and any formal action taken at the meeting shall be made available to the public by no later than the end of the next regular business day.

(6) A public body may allow a member of the public or any other witness other than a member of the public body to appear before the public body by means of video or telecommunications equipment.

Source:Laws 1975, LB 325, § 4; Laws 1983, LB 43, § 3; Laws 1987, LB 663, § 25; Laws 1993, LB 635, § 2; Laws 1996, LB 469, § 6; Laws 1996, LB 1161, § 1; Laws 1999, LB 47, § 2; Laws 1999, LB 87, § 100; Laws 1999, LB 461, § 1; Laws 2000, LB 968, § 85; Laws 2004, LB 821, § 38; Laws 2004, LB 1179, § 2; Laws 2006, LB 898, § 2; Laws 2007, LB199, § 9; Laws 2009, LB361, § 2; Laws 2012, LB735, § 1; Laws 2013, LB510, § 1; Laws 2017, LB318, § 1; Laws 2019, LB212, § 5.

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Cross References

- **Intergovernmental Risk Management Act**, see section 44-4301.
- **Interlocal Cooperation Act**, see section 13-801.
- **Joint Public Agency Act**, see section 13-2501.
- **Municipal Cooperative Financing Act**, see section 18-2401.

Annotations

- Under subsection (1) of this section, the Legislature has imposed only two conditions on the public body's notification method of a public meeting: (1) It must give reasonable advance publicized notice of the time and place of each meeting and (2) it must be recorded in the public body's minutes. *City of Elkhorn v. City of Omaha*, 272 Neb. 867, 725 N.W.2d 792 (2007).
- An emergency is "(a)ny event or occasional combination of circumstances which calls for immediate action or remedy; pressing necessity; exigency; a sudden or unexpected happening; an unforeseen occurrence or condition." *Steenblock v. Elkhorn Township Bd.*, 245 Neb. 722, 515 N.W.2d 128 (1994).
- An agenda which gives reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at a meeting of a city council complies with the requirements of this section. *Pokorny v. City of Schuyler*, 202 Neb. 334, 275 N.W.2d 281 (1979).
- When notice is required, a notice of a special meeting of a city council posted in three public places at 10:00 p.m. on the day preceding the meeting is not reasonable advance publicized notice of a meeting as is required by this section. *Pokorny v. City of Schuyler*, 202 Neb. 334, 275 N.W.2d 281 (1979).
- Teacher waived right to object to lack of public notice in board of education employment hearing by voluntary participation in the hearing without objection. *Alexander v. School Dist. No. 17*, 197 Neb. 251, 248 N.W.2d 335 (1976).
- A county board of commissioners and a county board of equalization are not required to give separate notices when the notice states only the time and place that the boards meet and directs a citizen to where the agendas for each board can be found. *Wolf v. Grubbs*, 17 Neb. App. 292, 759 N.W.2d 499 (2009).
- A county board of equalization is a public body which is required to give advanced publicized notice of its meetings. *Wolf v. Grubbs*, 17 Neb. App. 292, 759 N.W.2d 499 (2009).
- Notice of recessed and reconvened meetings must be given in the same fashion as the original meeting. *Wolf v. Grubbs*, 17 Neb. App. 292, 759 N.W.2d 499 (2009).
- True notice of a meeting is not given by burying such in the minutes of a prior board proceeding. *Wolf v. Grubbs*, 17 Neb. App. 292, 759 N.W.2d 499 (2009).
- An agenda notice which merely stated "work order reports" was an inadequate notice under this section because it did not give interested persons knowledge that plans for a 345 kv transmission line through the district was going to be discussed and voted upon at the meeting. Inadequate agenda notice under this section meant there was a substantial violation of the public meeting laws; however, later actions by the board of directors cured the defects in notice, and such actions were in substantial compliance with the statute. *Hansmeyer v. Nebraska Pub. Power Dist.*, 6 Neb. App. 889, 578 N.W.2d 476 (1998).

84-1412. Meetings of public body; rights of public; public body; powers and duties.

(1) Subject to the Open Meetings Act, the public has the right to attend and the right to speak at meetings of public bodies, and all or any part of a meeting of a public body, except for closed sessions called pursuant to section 84-1410, may be videotaped, televised, photographed, broadcast, or recorded by any person in attendance by means of a tape recorder, camera, video equipment, or any other means of pictorial or sonic reproduction or in writing.

(2) It shall not be a violation of subsection (1) of this section for any public body to make and enforce reasonable rules and regulations regarding the conduct of persons attending, speaking at, videotaping, televising, photographing, broadcasting, or recording its meetings. A body may not be required to allow citizens to speak at each meeting, but it may not forbid public participation at all meetings.

(3) No public body shall require members of the public to identify themselves as a condition for admission to the meeting nor shall such body require that the name of any member of the public be placed on the agenda prior to such meeting in order to speak about items on the agenda. The body may require any member of the public desiring to address the body to identify himself or herself.

(4) No public body shall, for the purpose of circumventing the Open Meetings Act, hold a meeting in a place known by the body to be too small to accommodate the anticipated audience.

(5) No public body shall be deemed in violation of this section if it holds its meeting in its traditional meeting place which is located in this state.

(6) No public body shall be deemed in violation of this section if it holds a meeting outside of this state if, but only if:

(a) A member entity of the public body is located outside of this state and the meeting is in that member's jurisdiction;

(b) All out-of-state locations identified in the notice are located within public buildings used by members of the entity or at a place which will accommodate the anticipated audience;

(c) Reasonable arrangements are made to accommodate the public's right to attend, hear, and speak at the meeting, including making a telephone conference call available at an in-state location to members, the public, or the press, if requested twenty-four hours in advance;

(d) No more than twenty-five percent of the public body's meetings in a calendar year are held out-of-state;

(e) Out-of-state meetings are not used to circumvent any of the public government purposes established in the Open Meetings Act;

(f) Reasonable arrangements are made to provide viewing at other instate locations for a videoconference meeting if requested fourteen days in advance and if economically and reasonably available in the area; and

(g) The public body publishes notice of the out-of-state meeting at least twenty-one days before the date of the meeting in a legal newspaper of statewide circulation.

(7) The public body shall, upon request, make a reasonable effort to accommodate the public's right to hear the discussion and testimony presented at the meeting.

(8) Public bodies shall make available at the meeting or the instate location for a telephone conference call or videoconference, for examination and copying by members of the public, at least one copy of all reproducible written material to be discussed at an open meeting. Public bodies shall make available at least one current copy of the Open Meetings Act posted in the meeting room at a location accessible to members of the public. At the beginning of the meeting, the public shall be informed about the location of the posted information.

Source: Laws 1975, LB 325, § 5; Laws 1983, LB 43, § 4; Laws 1985, LB 117, § 2; Laws 1987, LB 324, § 5; Laws 1996, LB 900, § 1073; Laws 2001, LB 250, § 2; Laws 2004, LB 821, § 39; Laws 2006, LB 898, § 3; Laws 2008, LB962, § 1.

Annotations

- To preserve an objection that a public body failed to make documents available at a public meeting as required by subsection (8) of this section, a person who attends a public meeting must not only object to the violation, but must make that objection to the public body or to a member of the public body. *Stoetzel & Sons v. City of Hastings*, 265 Neb. 637, 658 N.W.2d 636 (2003).

84-1413. Meetings; minutes; roll call vote; secret ballot; when.

(1) Each public body shall keep minutes of all meetings showing the time, place, members present and absent, and the substance of all matters discussed.

(2) Any action taken on any question or motion duly moved and seconded shall be by roll call vote of the public body in open session, and the record shall state how each member voted or if the member was absent or not voting. The requirements of a roll call or viva voce vote shall be satisfied by a public body which utilizes an electronic voting device which allows the yeas and nays of each member of such public body to be readily seen by the public.

(3) The vote to elect leadership within a public body may be taken by secret ballot, but the total number of votes for each candidate shall be recorded in the minutes.

(4) The minutes of all meetings and evidence and documentation received or disclosed in open session shall be public records and open to public inspection during normal business hours.

(5) Minutes shall be written, except as provided in subsection (6) of this section, and available for inspection within ten working days or prior to the next convened meeting, whichever occurs earlier, except that cities of the second class and villages may have an additional ten working days if the employee responsible for writing the minutes is absent due to a serious illness or emergency.

(6) Minutes of the meetings of the board of a school district or educational service unit may be kept as an electronic record.

Source: Laws 1975, LB 325, § 6; Laws 1978, LB 609, § 3; Laws 1979, LB 86, § 9; Laws 1987, LB 663, § 26; Laws 2005, LB 501, § 1; Laws 2009, LB361, § 3; Laws 2015, LB365, § 2; Laws 2016, LB876, § 1.

Annotations

- If a person present at a meeting observes and fails to object to an alleged public meetings laws violation in the form of a failure to conduct rollcall votes before taking actions on questions or motions pending, that person waives his or her right to object at a later date. *Hauser v. Nebraska Police Stds. Adv. Council*, 264 Neb. 944, 653 N.W.2d 240 (2002).
- Subsection (2) of this section does not require the record to state that the vote was by roll call, but requires only that the record show if and how each member voted. Neither does the statute set a time limit for recording the results of a vote, after which no corrections of the record can be made. If no intervening rights of third persons have arisen, a board of county commissioners has power to correct the record of the proceedings had at a previous meeting so as to make them speak the truth, particularly where the correction supplies some omitted fact or action and is done not to contradict or change the original record but to have the record show that a certain action was taken or thing done, which the original record fails to show. *State ex rel. Schuler v. Dunbar*, 214 Neb. 85, 333 N.W.2d 652 (1983).
- Failure by a public governing body, as defined under section 84-1409, R.R.S.1943, to take and record a roll call vote on an action, as required by section 84-1413(2), R.S.Supp.,1980, grants any citizen the right to sue for the purpose of having the action declared void. In this case such failure could not be later corrected by a nunc pro tunc order because there was no showing that a roll call vote on the disputed action was actually taken, and even if it was the record showed it was not recorded until over a year later. Sections 23-1301, R.R.S.1943, and 23-1302, R.R.S.1943, make it the duty of the county clerk to record proceedings of the board of county commissioners. *State ex rel. Schuler v. Dunbar*, 208 Neb. 69, 302 N.W.2d 674 (1981).
- There is no requirement that a public body make a record of where notice was published or posted. *Wolf v. Grubbs*, 17 Neb. App. 292, 759 N.W.2d 499 (2009).

84-1414. Unlawful action by public body; declared void or voidable by district court; when; duty to enforce open meeting laws; citizen's suit; procedure; violations; penalties.

(1) Any motion, resolution, rule, regulation, ordinance, or formal action of a public body made or taken in violation of the Open Meetings Act shall be declared void by the district court if the suit is commenced within one hundred twenty days of the meeting of the public body at which the alleged violation occurred. Any motion, resolution, rule, regulation, ordinance, or formal action of a public body made or taken in substantial violation of the Open Meetings Act shall be voidable by the district court if the suit is commenced more than one hundred twenty days after but within one year of the meeting of the public body in which the alleged violation occurred. A suit to void any final action shall be commenced within one year of the action.

(2) The Attorney General and the county attorney of the county in which the public body ordinarily meets shall enforce the Open Meetings Act.

(3) Any citizen of this state may commence a suit in the district court of the county in which the public body ordinarily meets or in which the plaintiff resides for the purpose of requiring compliance with or preventing violations of the Open Meetings Act, for the purpose of declaring an action of a public body void, or for the purpose of determining the applicability of the act to discussions or decisions of the public body. It shall not be a defense that the citizen attended the meeting and failed to object at such time. The court may order payment of reasonable attorney's fees and court costs to a successful plaintiff in a suit brought under this section.

(4) Any member of a public body who knowingly violates or conspires to violate or who attends or remains at a meeting knowing that the public body is in violation of any provision of the Open Meetings Act shall be guilty of a Class IV misdemeanor for a first offense and a Class III misdemeanor for a second or subsequent offense.

Source: Laws 1975, LB 325, § 9; Laws 1977, LB 39, § 318; Laws 1983, LB 43, § 5; Laws 1992, LB 1019, § 126; Laws 1994, LB 621, § 2; Laws 1996, LB 900, § 1074; Laws 2004, LB 821, § 40; Laws 2006, LB 898, § 4.

Annotations

- The Legislature has granted standing to a broad scope of its citizens for the very limited purpose of challenging meetings allegedly in violation of the Open Meetings Act, so that they may help police the public policy embodied by the act. *Schauer v. Grooms*, 280 Neb. 426, 786 N.W.2d 909 (2010).
- Any citizen of the state may commence an action to declare a public body's action void. *City of Elkhorn v. City of Omaha*, 272 Neb. 867, 725 N.W.2d 792 (2007).
- The reading of ordinances constitutes a formal action under subsection (1) of this section. *City of Elkhorn v. City of Omaha*, 272 Neb. 867, 725 N.W.2d 792 (2007).

- If a person present at a meeting observes a public meetings law violation in the form of an improper closed session and fails to object, that person waives his or her right to object at a later date. *Wasikowski v. Nebraska Quality Jobs Bd.*, 264 Neb. 403, 648 N.W.2d 756 (2002).
- Under the Public Meetings Act, a county lacks capacity to maintain an action to declare its official conduct "void" for noncompliance with the act. *County of York v. Johnson*, 230 Neb. 403, 432 N.W.2d 215 (1988).
- When a petitioner under this section is successful in the district court, that court may allow attorney fees. *Tracy Corp. II v. Nebraska Pub. Serv. Comm.*, 218 Neb. 900, 360 N.W.2d 485 (1984).
- Informal discussions between the Tax Commissioner and the State Board of Equalization in which instructions were clarified, with such clarification leading to the amendment of hearing notices, did not constitute a public meeting subject to the provisions of this section. *Box Butte County v. State Board of Equalization and Assessment*, 206 Neb. 696, 295 N.W.2d 670 (1980).
- The right to collaterally attack an order made in contravention of the Public Meeting Act must occur within a period of one year as is specifically provided by this section. *Witt v. School District No. 70*, 202 Neb. 63, 273 N.W.2d 669 (1979).
- Statutory change, requiring "publicized notice" for board of education employment hearings, occurring between dates meeting scheduled and conducted, held not to void proceedings. *Alexander v. School Dist. No. 17*, 197 Neb. 251, 248 N.W.2d 335 (1976).
- Voiding an entire meeting is a proper remedy for violations of the Open Meetings Act. Once a meeting has been declared void pursuant to Nebraska's public meetings law, board members are prohibited from considering any information obtained at the illegal meeting. *Wolf v. Grubbs*, 17 Neb. App. 292, 759 N.W.2d 499 (2009).
- Actions by the board of directors were merely voidable under this section, and not void. Pursuant to subsection (3) of this section, the plaintiffs were awarded partial attorney fees because they were successful in having the court declare that the board of directors was in substantial violation of the statute, even though the plaintiffs did not get the relief requested of having the board's actions declared void. *Hansmeyer v. Nebraska Pub. Power Dist.*, 6 Neb. App. 889, 578 N.W.2d 476 (1998).

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Source: http://nebraskalegislature.gov/laws/display_html.php?begin_section=84-1407&end_section=84-1414

Date: July 2019

Board of Education Regular Meeting

January 15, 2024

Blair Central Office

1326 Park Street, Blair NE 68008

Information concerning the Open Meeting Law, Chapter 84, Article 14 of Nebraska State Statutes, is posted in the room at a location accessible to members of the public and attached to the online agenda. The meeting notice was published in the Washington County Pilot-Tribune & Enterprise on Friday, January 12, 2024.

This meeting was rescheduled from Monday January 8, 2024 due to a winter storm warning issued by the National Weather Service.

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, Brandi Petersen, Denise Cada, Steve Callaghan, Deb Parks, Ginger Fredericksen, and Courtney Tabor

2.1 Approval of Absent Board Member(s)

Motion Passed: I move to approve the absence of Board Member(s) Tim Welch passed with a motion by Ginger Fredericksen and a second by Steve Callaghan.

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

3. Pledge of Allegiance

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

4. Organization of the Board of Education

The following board leadership positions were voted upon:

President: Steve Callaghan nominated Kari Loseke as Board of Education President and Denise Cada seconded the nomination. Kari Loseke accepted the nomination and the Board of Education re-elected Kari Loseke as President of the Board of Education on a vote of 6-1-1.

Vice President: Denise Cada nominated Courtney Tabor as Board of Education Vice President and Brandi Petersen seconded the nomination. Courtney Tabor accepted the nomination and the Board of Education elected Courtney Tabor as Vice President of the Board of Education on a vote of 6-1-1.

Approval of Offices and Appointments:

- Secretary – Angie Conety
- Treasurer – Leslie Watts

- School Attorney – Edmond Talbot, III
- Official Newspaper – Blair Enterprise
- Bank Depository – Washington County Bank and RVR Bank
- Truant Officer – Blair Police Department and Washington County Sheriff

Motion Passed: I move to approve the current offices and appointments as presented passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Brandi Petersen.

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

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 Ginger Fredericksen and a second by Steve Callaghan.

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

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. CF Industries Minigrants

A check was received from CF Industries for Minigrant awards totaling \$2,289.00 for the following teachers:

1. Morgan Casper
2. Tood Wick, Angie Boyd, Heather Dreibus

3. Tracy Bye
4. Callie Ward, Hollie Booth, Anne Chrans, Sheryl Krueger
5. Peggy Rutcosky, Julia Vogel, Krissy Anderson

The goal of the CF Industries Classroom Minigrant Program is to support local education and improve agricultural and environmental literacy. We thank them for their continued support for the students at Blair Community Schools.

Motion Passed: I move to accept the CF Industries Minigrant awards totaling \$2,289 passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Deb Parks.

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

8.3.2. Omaha Community Foundation

Morgan Casper, High School Agriculture Teacher, and Beth Clarke, High School Special Education Teacher, were awarded a total of \$2,527 from the Omaha Community Foundation on behalf of the Cox Charities Education grant.

- \$2,077 For Mrs. Casper and the Hydroponic Strawberries project at Blair High School.
- \$450 for Mrs. Clarke and the Group Read for Students with Disabilities project at Blair High School.

Motion Passed: I move to accept the grant funds in the amount of \$2,527 from Omaha Community Foundation on behalf of the Cox Charities Education passed with a motion by Deb Parks and a second by Courtney Tabor.

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

8.3.3. Sid Dillion Chevrolet – Blair

Sid Dillion Chevrolet - Blair would like to donate a used vehicle to the Blair High School bodywork class. It is a 2010 Chevrolet Impala (232,917 miles) and if repaired, retail value is \$4,955.

Motion Passed: I move to accept the donation from Sid Dillion Chevrolet – Blair for a 2010 Chevrolet Impala with a retail value of \$4,955 passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Brandi Petersen.

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

8.4. Consideration of Communications

8.4.1. Local Community Scholarship Ceremony

A letter has been received from Christine Ross, Blair High School Counselor/Local Scholarship Chair, to request permission to host a Local Community Scholarship Ceremony at Blair High School in the Auditorium/Cafeteria on the evening of Sunday, May 5, 2024. Ms. Ross has received requests from our local community to hold a reception for all local community-affiliated organizations and feels holding it on a Sunday evening would allow for the greatest participation.

Motion Passed: I move to approve the request to hold a Local Community Scholarship Ceremony at Blair High School on Sunday, May 5, 2024 passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Denise Cada.

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

8.5. Comments from The Public - None

8.6. Committee Reports

8.6.1. Policy Committee

The Policy Committee met on Monday, December 18, 2023 at 12:00pm. A report from the committee was given by Deb Parks.

8.6.2. BG&T Committee

The Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation Committee met on Monday, December 18, 2023 at 4:00pm. A report from the committee was given by Steve Callaghan.

Motion Passed: I move to approve Woodhouse Ford to complete the repairs to the districts Ford F550 box truck in the amount of \$22,000 passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Brandi Petersen.

Denise Cada	Yes
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes
Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes

Courtney Tabor Yes
Tim Welch Absent

Motion Passed: I move to approve the purchase for a bag filter system from Mechanical Systems for \$10,385 for Otte Middle School passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Ginger Fredericksen.

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

Motion Failed: I move to approve the purchase for curtains from Heartland Scenic Studio in the amount of \$16,957.13 failed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Ginger Fredericksen.

Denise Cada No
Steve Callaghan No
Ginger Fredericksen No
Kari Loseke No
Deb Parks No
Brandi Petersen No
Courtney Tabor No
Tim Welch Absent

8.6.3. Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Thursday, January 4, 2024 at 12:00pm. A report from the committee was given by Brandi Petersen.

Motion Passed: I move to approve the district to follow the Federal Business Mileage Reimbursement rate of \$0.67 per mile to begin January 1, 2024 passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Steve Callaghan.

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

8.7. Approval of New Teacher(s)

Miss Claire E Everitt, Otte Middle School 8th Grade Science Teacher

Motion Passed: I move to approve new teacher, Claire Everitt, as presented passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Ginger Fredericksen.

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

8.8. Acceptance of Resignation & Retirements

Resignation

- Mia Lincoln, Deerfield Elementary Special Education Teacher

Retirement

- Marita Fernau, South Early Childhood Center, Preschool Teacher

Motion Passed: I move to accept the resignation of Mia Lincoln and the retirement of Marita Fernau upon the conclusion of the 2023-24 school year passed with a motion by Brandi Petersen and a second by Ginger Fredericksen.

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

8.9. Superintendent Report

8.10. Informational Item

8.11. 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.

Motion Passed: I move to enter into Closed Session at 8:05pm for the protection of public interest on the discussion of collective bargaining with an invitation to Tom Shearer, Business Manager, to attend passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Ginger Fredericksen.

Denise Cada	Yes
Steve Callaghan	Yes
Ginger Fredericksen	Yes
Kari Loseke	Yes

Deb Parks	Yes
Brandi Petersen	Yes
Courtney Tabor	Yes
Tim Welch	Absent

The Board came out of Closed Session at 8:14am and reconvened with the Regular Board Meeting.

8.12. Items From Closed Session

Motion Passed: I move to approve the Negotiated Agreement between the Blair Education Association (BEA) and the Blair Community Schools Board of Education for the 2024-25 and 2025-26 contract years passed with a motion by Steve Callaghan and a second by Ginger Fredericksen.

9. Adjournment

Motion Passed: I move to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm passed with a motion by Ginger Fredericksen and a second by Steve Callaghan.

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

Angie Conety
Secretary Board of Education

Randall Gilson, Ed.D.
Superintendent

Blair Community Schools
 Financial Report to the Board of Education
 Cash-Bank Reconciliation
 January 31, 2024

01/01/2024 through 1/31/24

Book Balance

Beginning Balance		\$6,259,804.00
Total Receipts		\$3,809,181.91
Total Disbursements		<u>-\$2,136,785.09</u>
Reconciled Book Balance-Ending Balance		<u><u>\$7,932,200.82</u></u>

Bank Balance

Beginning Balance		\$1,386,558.60
Deposits	\$3,804,698.53	
Interest	<u>\$121.52</u>	
Total Receipts		\$3,804,820.05
Total Disbursements		<u>-\$2,367,838.10</u>
Bank Balance Ending Balance		\$2,823,540.55
Less Outstanding Checks/Wires		<u>-\$40,135.62</u>
Reconciled Bank Balance-Ending Balance		<u><u>\$2,783,404.93</u></u>

Reconciled Balance		\$2,783,404.93
Total Investments		<u>\$5,148,795.89</u>
Total General Fund Balance		<u><u>\$7,932,200.82</u></u>

Leslie Watts

 Leslie Watts, Board of Education Treasurer

2/5/24

 Date

Blair Community Schools
 Financial Report to the Board of Education
 Building Fund
 January 31, 2024

01/01/2024 through 1/31/24

Beginning Balance	\$1,240,452.71
Total Receipts	\$495,711.92
Total Disbursements	-\$123,723.05
Building Fund Balance	\$1,612,441.58

Bank Balance

Bank Balance Ending Balance	\$718,049.83
Less Outstanding Checks/Wires	\$0.00
Reconciled Bank Balance	\$718,049.83
Total Investments	\$894,391.75
Total Building Fund Balance	\$1,612,441.58

Blair Community Schools
 Financial Report to the Board of Education
 Savings Depreciation
 January 31, 2024

01/01/2024 through 1/31/24

Beginning Balance	\$1,993,061.95
Total Receipts	\$6,180.96
Total Disbursements	-\$28,639.48
Savings Depreciation Fund Balance	\$1,970,603.43

Bank Balance

Bank Balance Ending Balance	\$1,971,487.93
Less Outstanding Checks/Wires	-\$884.50
Total Savings Depreciation Fund Balance	\$1,970,603.43

ACTIVITY FUND & STUDENT FEE FUND-CHECKS ISSUED IN JANUARY 2024 TO BE RATIFIED 2/12/2024

VENDOR	TOTAL	ORGANIZATION	DESCRIPTION
VISA	\$13.40	AP ADVISORY COUNCIL	WALMART
VISA	\$60.00	AP ADVISORY COUNCIL	WALGREENS
VISA	\$70.29	AP ADVISORY COUNCIL	WALMART
TAHER INC	\$285.00	AP ADVISORY COUNCIL	STAFF BREAKFAST ROLL
TAHER INC	\$303.75	AP ADVISORY COUNCIL	BREAKFAST PIZZA
VISA	\$13.05	OBMS STUDENT SENATE	WALMART
VISA	\$40.13	OBMS STUDENT SENATE	DOLLAR TREE
VISA	\$62.60	OBMS STUDENT SENATE	DOLLAR GENERAL
VISA	\$66.32	OBMS STUDENT SENATE	WALMART
VISA	\$125.56	OBMS STUDENT SENATE	BAKERS
JIM & CONNIE'S BLAIR BAKERY	\$30.48	OBMS STUDENT SENATE	STUDENT SENATE DONUTS
JIM & CONNIE'S BLAIR BAKERY	\$32.09	OBMS STUDENT SENATE	STUDENT SENATE FOOD
BETHANY NORINE	\$437.81	JR. HIGH DRAMA	PLAYSCRIPTS
VISA	\$59.00	8TH GRADE SHOW CHOIR	WALMART.COM
MILLARD SOUTH HS	\$125.00	8TH GRADE SHOW CHOIR	SHOW CHOIR ENTRY FEE
PEPSI CO	\$401.22	OBMS STUDENT SENATE	OMS CONCESSIONS
VISA	\$70.75	OBMS STUDENT SENATE	SAMS CLUB
SPARTAN STORES LLC	\$35.95	OBMS STUDENT SENATE	OMS CONCESSIONS
VISA	\$74.00	ACADEMIC QUIZ BOWL	ACADEMIC HALLMARKS
CONCORDIA JR/SR HIGH	\$100.00	ACADEMIC QUIZ BOWL	ENTRY FEE
TAMMY HOLCOMB	\$140.17	BOYS BASKETBALL	EMPLOYEE MILEAGE
TAMMY HOLCOMB	\$129.71	BOYS BASKETBALL	EMPLOYEE MILEAGE
TYLER SIECKE	\$234.23	BOYS BASKETBALL	EMPLOYEE MILEAGE
MARK GUTSCHOW	\$155.89	FOOTBALL	EMPLOYEE MILEAGE
AARON PIERCE	\$70.00	FOOTBALL	FB WORKER
RILEY KONECK	\$70.00	FOOTBALL	FB WORKER
NOAH KUEFLER	\$140.00	FOOTBALL	FB WORKER
VINNY LAMONTIA	\$140.00	FOOTBALL	FB WORKER
ABE'S PORTABLES	\$145.00	FOOTBALL	FB PORTABLE RENTAL
TAMMY HOLCOMB	\$140.17	GIRLS BASKETBALL	EMPLOYEE MILEAGE
TAMMY HOLCOMB	\$129.71	GIRLS BASKETBALL	EMPLOYEE MILEAGE
TYLER SIECKE	\$234.23	GIRLS BASKETBALL	EMPLOYEE MILEAGE
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	\$2,495.00	GIRLS GOLF	GOLF SIMULATOR
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	\$2,496.00	BOYS GOLF	GOLF SIMULATOR
SKILLS USA INC	\$260.00	SKILLS USA	SKILLS DUES
SKILLS USA INC	\$16.00	SKILLS USA	SKILLS DUES
TYLER SIECKE	\$20.43	WRESTLING	EMPLOYEE MILEAGE
ERIN LUJAN	\$150.00	WRESTLING	WR OFFICIAL
DAVE WALTON	\$150.00	WRESTLING	WR OFFICIAL
DAVE WALTON	\$250.00	WRESTLING	WR OFFICIAL
WYNN FANGMEIER	\$250.00	WRESTLING	WR OFFICIAL
DOUGLAS NIEMIEC	\$376.54	WRESTLING	WRESTLING CLOCK
CASH	\$768.00	WRESTLING	MEAL MONEY
HAUFF SPORTS	\$209.48	WRESTLING	WRESTLING SUPPLIES
VISA	\$90.15	WRESTLING	SAMS CLUB
GRAND ISLAND HIGH SCHOOL	\$350.00	WRESTLING	WRESTLING ENTRY
HAUFF SPORTS	\$1,021.50	BASEBALL	BASEBALL SUPPLIES
VARSITY ATHLETIC APPAREL	\$1,147.50	DRAMATICS	7" CHENILLE/FELT PATCH, "
VARSITY ATHLETIC APPAREL	\$80.00	DRAMATICS	ESTIMATED SHIPPING/HANDLI
COLUMBUS SCOTUS	\$37.50	SPEECH CLUB	SPEECH FEES
VISA	\$64.70	F. B. L. A.	WALMART
VISA	\$73.00	F. B. L. A.	WALGREENS
TATUM HARTVIGSEN	\$53.50	F. B. L. A.	FLOWER ARRANGEMENT
VISA	\$20.00	HS FACULTY CONCESSIONS	SCOOTERS COFFEE
VISA	\$70.00	HS FACULTY CONCESSIONS	SCOOTERS COFFEE
UNO MUSIC DEPT	\$100.00	NSAA DISTRICT MUSIC	REGISTRATION
WAYNE STATE COLLEGE	\$15.00	NSAA DISTRICT MUSIC	HONOR FESTIVAL
WAYNE STATE COLLEGE	\$45.00	NSAA DISTRICT MUSIC	HONOR FESTIVAL
WAYNE STATE COLLEGE	\$45.00	NSAA DISTRICT MUSIC	HONOR FESTIVAL
SARA LANGDON	\$350.00	SHOW CHOIR	CLINICIAN
DAN HAYS	\$350.00	SHOW CHOIR	CLINICIAN

VENDOR	TOTAL	ORGANIZATION	DESCRIPTION
VISA	\$138.14	SHOW CHOIR	PIZZA
VISA	\$90.00	JAZZ BAND	NE STATE BANDMASTERS
VISA	\$200.00	JAZZ BAND	NE STATE BANDMASTERS
VISA	\$200.00	JAZZ BAND	NE STATE BANDMASTERS
LOGOS PLUS	\$266.50	UNIFIED SPORTS	UNIFIED BASKETBALL
RSCHOOL TODAY	\$950.00	ALL SPORTS	BOXOUT PLUS RENEWAL
VISA	\$106.95	ALL SPORTS	RIVALS HUSKERLAND
VARSITY ATHLETIC APPAREL	\$947.50	ALL SPORTS	7" CHENILLE/FELT PATCH
VARSITY ATHLETIC APPAREL	\$60.00	ALL SPORTS	ESTIMATED SHIPPING/HANDLI
TYLER SIECKE	\$20.43	WRESTLING - GIRLS	EMPLOYEE MIILEAGE
NEAL STEPANEK	\$250.00	WRESTLING - GIRLS	WR OFFICIAL
GERALD FESER	\$250.00	WRESTLING - GIRLS	WR OFFICIAL
DOUGLAS NIEMIEC	\$376.53	WRESTLING - GIRLS	WRESTLING CLOCK
HAUFF SPORTS	\$528.00	WRESTLING - GIRLS	MAT TAPE
VISA	\$90.15	WRESTLING - GIRLS	SAMS CLUB
PLATTSMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL	\$145.00	WRESTLING - GIRLS	WR ENTRY FEE
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	\$945.90	CAMP-VOLLEYBALL	VB CAMP ITEMS
PEPST CO	\$302.80	BHS CONCESSIONS	CONCESSIONS
VISA	\$23.65	BHS CONCESSIONS	WALMART
VISA	\$52.20	BHS CONCESSIONS	PRIMA DISTRIBUTION
VISA	\$511.53	BHS CONCESSIONS	SAMS CLUB
VISA	\$511.86	BHS CONCESSIONS	PRIMA DISTRIBUTION
VISA	\$604.26	BHS CONCESSIONS	SAMS CLUB
THE SIGN DEPOT	\$3,149.00	ALL SPORTS - ADVERTISING	SCOREBOARD ADS
VISA	\$80.24	ALL SPORTS - ADVERTISING	APPLE.COM
CRAIG HEUTON	\$110.00	JR. HIGH GIRLS BASKETBALL	GBB OFFICIAL
CHRISTOPHER JANDA	\$110.00	JR. HIGH GIRLS BASKETBALL	GBB OFFICIAL
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	(\$304.95)	8TH GRADE SHOW CHOIR	CREDIT - RETURNS
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	(\$249.90)	8TH GRADE SHOW CHOIR	CREDIT - RETURNS
DIETZE MUSIC HOUSE	\$4.50	BAND INSTRUMENT USEAGE	BAND INSTRUMENTS
DIETZE MUSIC HOUSE	\$40.00	BAND INSTRUMENT USEAGE	BAND INSTRUMENTS
DIETZE MUSIC HOUSE	\$91.00	BAND INSTRUMENT USEAGE	BAND INSTRUMENTS
DIETZE MUSIC HOUSE	\$100.00	BAND INSTRUMENT USEAGE	BAND INSTRUMENTS
HAUFF SPORTS	\$2,140.44	GIRLS SOCCER	GIRLS SOCCER UNIFORMS
SKILLS USA INC	\$16.00	SKILLS USA	SKILLS DUES
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	(\$36.91)	SHOW CHOIR	CREDIT - RETURNS
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	(\$28.11)	SHOW CHOIR	CREDIT - RETURNS
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	(\$26.16)	SHOW CHOIR	CREDIT - RETURNS
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	(\$26.16)	SHOW CHOIR	CREDIT - RETURNS
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	(\$18.51)	SHOW CHOIR	CREDIT - RETURNS
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AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	(\$18.51)	SHOW CHOIR	CREDIT - RETURNS
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	\$41.98	SHOW CHOIR	TURTLENECK SHIRTS
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	\$223.74	SHOW CHOIR	SHOW CHOIR JEANS
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	\$462.89	SHOW CHOIR	SHOW CHOIR SHOES

GENERAL FUND CLAIMS - 02/12/2024

VENDOR	AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION
ABE'S TRASH SERVICE INC	\$3,924.14	TRASH SERVICES
AJ'S SERVICE AND REPAIR INC	\$304.45	BUS REPAIRS
ALBIREO ENERGY	\$2,186.50	HVAC REPAIRS (S,OMS,BHS,N)
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	\$2,532.03	CLASSROOM, TECHNOLOGY, GRANT, OFFICE, LIBRARY BOOKS, SPED, SAFETY & SECURITY SUPPLIES
AMY TESSENDORF	\$93.67	EMPLOYEE MILEAGE
APPLE INC	\$476.93	TECHNOLOGY- APPLE TV, SPEECH SOFTWARE
ARBOR FAMILY COUNSELING	\$5,040.00	QUARTERLY COUNSELING SERVICES- STUDENTS & STAFF
ARPS RED-E-MIX INC	\$13.80	GROUNDS SAND
AVERY MISFELDT	\$1,144.75	EMPLOYEE REIMBURSE- TUITION ASSISTANCE
BETH CLARKE	\$60.00	EMPLOYEE REIMBURSE- SPED SUPPLIES
BLAIR ACE HARDWARE	\$122.48	CUSTODIAL & MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES
BOMGAARS	\$647.92	GROUNDS SUPPLIES
BOYS TOWN	\$8,250.00	SPED TUITION - NOV & DEC 2023
BRITTNEY BILLS	\$313.21	EMPLOYEE REIMBURSE- TRAVEL EXPENSE
CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC	\$2,319.07	COPIER SERVICES
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	\$172.07	BUS & VEHICLE PARTS & REPAIRS
CHRIS SCHULER	\$2,500.00	EMPLOYEE REIMBURSE- TUITION ASSISTANCE
CHRIS WHITWER	\$2,207.50	EMPLOYEE REIMBURSE- TUITION ASSISTANCE
CINDY PAGE	\$46.90	EMPLOYEE MILEAGE
CISSY JENNINGS	\$710.47	PARENT MILEAGE
CITY OF BLAIR	\$3,747.56	UTILITY - WATER/SEWER
CITY OF BLAIR	\$8,404.76	SRO - DEC & JAN
CORNHUSKER INTERNATIONAL TRUCKS	\$81.22	BUS REPAIRS
DAN'S HANDYMAN PLUMBING	\$235.00	PLUMBING REPAIRS (AP)
DES MOINES STAMP MFG CO INC	\$149.15	HEAVY DUTY STAMP
DICK'S ELECTRIC	\$6,953.01	ELECTRICAL REPAIRS (DF,AP,OMS,BHS)
DIETZE MUSIC HOUSE	\$8,582.00	GRANT FUNDED BAND INSTRUMENTS (OMS) & BAND SUPPLIES
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	\$117.13	FAX SERVICES
EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT #3	\$30,749.00	SPED SPEECH PATH & VISION SERVICES, EMPLOYEE TRAININGS
ELECTRONIC SOUND INC	\$737.50	INTERCOM REPAIRS (DF, AP, OMS)
ENTERPRISE PUBLISHING CO INC	\$524.59	LEGAL NOTICES
ESU COORDINATING COUNCIL	\$9,593.30	SECURLY SOFTWARE-E-HALL PASS & CLASSROOM PREMIUM
EVOQUA WATER TECHNOLOGIES LLC	\$461.00	SCIENCE CLASSROOM SUPPLIES
F-M FORKLIFT SALES	\$297.44	FORKLIFT REPAIRS
FAIRWAY OIL CO	\$7,822.49	BUS & VEHICLE & FORKLIFT FUEL
FASTWYRE BROADBAND CABLE	\$1,213.75	TELEPHONE, CABLE, & INTERNET
FOLLETT SCHOOL SOLUTIONS LLC	\$12.00	TEXTBOOKS (BHS)
GRUNWALD MECHANICAL	\$3,898.48	SCIENCE CLASSROOM PLUMBING REPAIRS
HANSEN AGENCY	\$500.00	ANNUAL FIDELITY INSURANCE
HEARTLAND FOUNDATION	\$3,520.00	SPED TUITION - DEC
HEARTLAND TIRES & TREADS INC	\$3,701.66	BUS REPAIRS
IDEAL PURE WATER	\$521.64	PURIFIED REPAIRS
J F AHERN CO	\$581.04	FIRE SPRINKLER REPAIR
J W PEPPER & SON INC.	\$80.00	BAND MUSIC
JUNIOR LIBRARY GUILD	\$914.48	LIBRARY BOOK SERVICES
KELLY RYAN EQUIPMENT CO	\$1,250.00	SNOW PLOW REPAIRS
LESLEY WARD	\$106.08	EMPLOYEE REIMBURSE- MILEAGE & SIXPENCE SUPPLIES
MARCIE REED	\$1,050.56	PARENT MILEAGE
MARK GUTSCHOW	\$62.23	EMPLOYEE MILEAGE
MARZANO EVALUATION CENTER	\$5,000.00	SOFTWARE LICENSE - IE OBSERVATION
MECHANICAL SYSTEMS INC	\$10,887.68	HVAC REPAIRS (DF, OMS, BHS)
NANNEN PHYSICAL THERAPY	\$20,995.15	SPED- OCCUPATIONAL & PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES
NASB	\$7,287.00	NATIONAL ASSOC. OF SCHOOL BOARD ANNUAL DUES
NASN	\$125.00	HEALTH OFFICE MEMBERSHIP DUES
NEBR COUNCIL ON ECONOMIC ED	\$240.00	INSTRUCTION- STOCK MARKET GAMES (BHS)
NEBR WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY	\$350.00	BAND ENTRY FEE
NEBRASKA CENTRAL EQUIPMENT INC	\$1,121.08	BUS PARTS & REPAIRS
OFFICE DEPOT	\$3,141.94	CLASSROOM, NURSE, OFFICE, & PAPER SUPPLIES
OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$27,552.42	UTILITY - ELECTRICITY
ONESOURCE THE BACKGROUND CK CO	\$246.45	BACKGROUND CHECKS
PAINTIN PLACE CERAMICS INC	\$1,230.00	ART SUPPLIES, CLAY (BHS)
PAYFLEX SYSTEMS USA INC	\$167.70	FLEX PLAN FEES-JAN24
PERRY GUTHERY HAASE GESSFORD	\$480.00	LEGAL SERVICES
PEST SOLUTIONS 365	\$725.00	PEST CONTROL

POUNDS PRINTING INC	\$270.00	SPEECH PATH & TRANSPORTATION FORMS
QUADIANT LEASING USA INC	\$273.93	POSTAGE MACHINE LEASE
REGAL AWARDS INC	\$11.83	STAFF APPRECIATION SUPPLIES
ROSE KLEIN	\$34.92	EMPLOYEE REIMBURSE- SPED SUPPLIES
SCHOLASTIC LIBRARY PUBLISHING	\$1,495.00	SOFTWARE LICENSE- BOOKFLIX RENEWAL
SHOTWELL GLASS	\$1,500.00	BUS REPAIRS
SPARTAN STORES LLC	\$232.78	FCS & SPED SUPPLIES
SPED STRATEGIES LLC	\$20,000.00	GRANT FUNDED INCLUSIVE TRAINING
STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAGE	\$51.10	ADMIN OFFICE SUPPLIES
STERICYCLE INC	\$187.97	SHREDDING SERVICES
STRATUS BUILDING SOLUTIONS	\$19,090.00	CUSTODIAL CONTRACT SERVICES-FEB
TAHER INC	\$543.75	GRANT FUNDED- SPED TRAINING
TAYLOR QUIK-PIK INC	\$100.00	STAFF APPRECIATION SUPPLIES
THE HOME DEPOT PRO	\$14,559.96	FLOOR SCRUBBER REPAIRS & CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES
THE OMNI GROUP	\$12.00	403B FEE- JAN24
THE SIGN DEPOT	\$160.55	OFFICE SUPPLIES
TY'S OUTDOOR POWER & SERVICE	\$95.52	GROUNDS SUPPLIES
UNITE PRIVATE NETWORKS	\$842.24	DISTRICT NETWORK SERVICES
US CELLULAR	\$391.41	STUDENT MIFI HOTSPOT SERVICES
VERIZON	\$370.11	WIRELESS PHONE SERVICES
VEX ROBOTICS	\$495.99	HAL EQUIPMENT SUPPLIES
WESTERN PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES	\$176.00	SPEECH PATH COMPREHENSIVE FORMS
WOODRIVER ENERGY LLC	\$3,287.97	UTILITY- GAS
Summary	\$272,665.41	

GENERAL FUND-CHECKS ISSUED TO BE RATIFIED 2/12/2024

VENDOR	TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
VISA	\$7,179.05	MEETINGS, EQUIPMENT, TECHNOLOGY NEEDS, CLASSROOM SUPPLIES
FASTWYRE BROADBAND CABLE	\$2,245.41	DISTRICT TELEPHONE, CABLE & INTERENET SERVICES
Summary	\$9,424.46	

GENERAL FUND-JANUARY 2024 PAYROLL & BENEFITS TO BE RATIFIED 2/12/2024

GROSS PAYROLL	\$1,387,855.31	GROSS SALARY & WAGES
NET PAYROLL - DIRECT DEPOSITS	\$970,278.31	NET PAY CHECKS- DIRECT DEPOSIT TOTALS
NET PAYROLL - MANUAL CHECKS	\$570.02	NET PAY CHECKS - MANUAL CHECK TOTALS
NEBRASKA REVENUE NEB EPAY.	\$47,829.60	NE STATE W/H
OMNI FINANCIAL1 CORP COLL	\$4,467.00	P/R DEDUCTION - 403(B) INVESTMENTS
OUTGOING WIRE TO US TREASURY	\$324,158.05	FEDERAL W/H, FICA W/H & FICA TAXES
RETIREMENT	\$258,172.84	RETIREMENT DEDUCTION & BENEFIT
VISION SERVICE PLAN INSURANCE CO	\$1,493.46	P/R DEDUCTION - VISION INSURANCE
MADISON NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.	\$4,568.32	EMPLOYEE LTD INSURANCE
SECTION 125	\$8,097.54	P/R DEDUCTION - FLEX PLAN CONTRIBUTIONS
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	\$272,742.58	EMPLOYEE HEALTH & DENTAL INSURANCE
CREDIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES	\$367.57	P/R DEDUCTION - GARNISHMENT
DISTRICT COURT OF LANCASTER COUNTY	\$380.40	P/R DEDUCTION - GARNISHMENT
ERIN MCCARTNEY	\$185.00	P/R DEDUCTION - GARNISHMENT

LUNCH FUND CLAIMS 2/12/2024

VENDOR	TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
THE WALDINGER CORPORATION	\$697.00	DISHWASHER, WARMER REPAIRS (OMS,BHS)
TAHER	\$82,258.88	FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT EXPENSE- JAN23
S & S PUMPING SERVICE LLC	\$200.00	PUMP GREASE TRAP (BHS)
Summary	\$83,155.88	

BUILDING FUND CLAIMS 2/12/2024

VENDOR	TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
ALBIREO ENERGY	\$8,260.90	INTEGRATION OF CONTROL SYSTEMS- JAN24
GRUNWALD MECHANICAL	\$19,989.40	BATHROOM ADDITION (AP)
Summary	\$28,250.30	

SAVINGS/DEPRECIATION FUND CLAIMS 2/12/2024

VENDOR	TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
SECURITY EQUIPMENT INC	\$5,484.50	SECURITY ADDITIONS (AP)
REALITY WORKS	\$98.64	CURRICULUM ORDER (BHS)
Summary	\$5,583.14	

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 5, 2024

Call to Order at 12:00pm

Central Office (North School)

Committee Members Present: Kari Loseke, and Courtney Tabor

Absent Committee Member: Brandi Petersen (Chair)

Also Present: Tom Shearer, Dr. Gilson, Dr. Glasshoff, Mr. Schwartz, Mr. Siecke, Kelly Johnson, and Angie Conety

1. Old Business

A. Blair Community Schools Academic and Athletic Rebranding

At last month's Board meeting, it was reported that Dr. Gilson was approached by Mr. Tyler Siecke, the Blair Bear Backers, and the Blair Community School Foundation about the possibility of rebranding the district to dedicate and support a unified marketing structure. The Board had concluded additional discussion and information was needed prior to a possible decision.

Mr. Siecke presented the benefits of rebranding with our brand being one of Blair's most important assets. It gives us an identity, makes us memorable, encourages stakeholders to trust and support us, supports our marketing and advertising, and brings our staff pride. Refreshing Blair's brand can enhance the school's image, create a modern and appealing identity and foster a sense of pride among students. An updated logo can better reflect the school's values, mission, and achievements.

Mr. Siecke is recommending The Athletic Branding Co. (ABC) if the Board chooses to proceed with rebranding. He shared a summary of amenities they would offer with their services; Stakeholder Survey/Input, Initial Design Concepts, Concept Refinement, Design and Messaging, Design Refinement, and Design Finalization. Total timeframe is 3-4 months and the total cost estimate for services is \$25,000. The ABC, Blair Bear Backers, and the Blair Community Schools Foundation would all donate \$5,000 each and the district would be responsible for \$10,000.

At this time, the committee is not ready to make a recommendation and would like to table this for another month for further discussion with all Board committees.

B. Ford Box Truck

For information purposes, at the January 15, 2024 Board of Education Meeting, a motion passed to approve Woodhouse Ford to complete the repairs to the districts Ford F550 box truck in the amount of \$22,000. Mr. Steinbeck shared the actual cost for repairs was \$13,549.19.

2. New Business

C. Scoreboard Advertising Contract Renewal

The current 3-year contract with Mr. Kelly Johnson and Blair Radio signed November 12, 2021 will be expiring in 2024. With this contract, the district receives sponsor funding in exchange for Blair Radio providing sponsorship advertising on the district's Scorevision Scoreboards and providing commercials for the sponsors on the district's activity broadcasts using internet live streaming, cable TV stations, and the Blair Radio station. Mr. Kelly Johnson and Mr. Siecke presented how the contract was going and proposed a similar renewal agreement but changes the compensation received by the district to 60%

district and 40% Blair Radio. Mr. Shearer shared the current compensation structure was first \$50,000 was retained by the district, second \$59,000 paid to Blair Radio, and any sum over \$109,000 would be retained by the district. The committee was supportive of the renewal contract with the proposed compensation changes.

A motion may be brought at the February 12, 2024 Board of Education meeting **to approve the contract agreement with Kelly Johnson and KJBR (Blair Radio) as presented for sponsorship advertising.**

D. Fleet Management

Mr. Siecke shared an update regarding the district's current transportation fleet and needs. Right now, there are two (2) 2003 Chevrolet Suburban's that need to be taken out of use as they are not reliable and are no longer allowed to travel further than Lakeland. In addition, we have two (2) 2008 RWD Ford Vans with nearly 200,000 miles on them and are not ideal in winter conditions due to not having AWD or 4WD capacity. The vans are also close to being relegated to only local use. This leaves four (4) small vehicles that can be used for out-of-town activities or Special Education (SPED) use.

Mr. Siecke would like to add four (4) small vehicles to our fleet. He shared bids from Woodhouse for an Expedition (\$62,079) and an AWD Ford Transit Van (\$59,609). The Expedition would hold seven (7) students and one (1) driver and the Transit Van would hold ten (10) students and one (1) driver. Mr. Siecke has looked at all options and the Transit van is less expensive, gets better fuel economy, and holds more students and is recommending the purchase of two (2) AWD Transit Vans from Woodhouse Ford. The committee was in support of adding two (2) vehicles now, and two (2) next year.

A motion may be brought at the February 12, 2024 Board of Education meeting **to approve the purchase of two (2) Transit Vans from Woodhouse Ford in the amount of \$119,218.00 to be paid out of the Savings Depreciation Fund.**

Mr. Siecke is also requesting permission to begin an RFP (Request for Proposal) process for the purchase of two (2) white activity buses. The white buses are school buses with some additional amenities, allowing our current bus drivers to operate them. They would be equipped with air conditioning, captain's chairs, and USB charging ports much like a "charter bus" has. Mr. Siecke informed the cost for the white buses run around \$145,000 and regular buses run around \$130,000. With the possible purchase of these buses, it would solve two (2) problems.

1. With the age of the district's fleet and the high mileage, purchasing these buses would allow us to move two (2) of our newer buses that we reserve for activities to a route and cycle others down. The buses we currently rely on for spares, have become unable to pass the 80-day inspection or are in the shop repeatedly.
2. With Hastings Public Schools being a conference school, our students are taking long road trips every season in addition to district and state competitions. This purchase would make it so a charter bus is not necessary in the future.

The Finance Committee supported Mr. Siecke's request to begin an RFP process.

E. RFP – Krantz Field Track Refurbishment

Mr. Steinbeck informed the BG&T Committee last month; he was in the process of working on an RFP to get published on the refurbishment of the track at Krantz Field and would present the bids at the February meeting. Fisher Tracks, Inc. was the only bid received in the amount of \$107,902 with an alternate upgrade to add purple exchange zones for an additional \$23,200. Mr. Steinbeck and Mr. Siecke are both recommending accepting the bid with the purple exchange zones totaling \$131,102.

A motion may be brought at the February 12, 2024 Board of Education meeting **to accept the bid from Fisher Tracks, Inc., in the amount of \$107,902 for the refurbishment of the track at Krantz Field to be paid out of the Building Fund.**

A motion may be brought at the February 12, 2024 Board of Education meeting **to accept the bid from Fisher Tracks, Inc., in the amount of \$23,200 to add purple exchange zones to the track at Krantz Field to be paid out of the Building Fund.**

F. RFP - High School Gym RTUs

At previous BG&T Committee meetings, Mr. Steinbeck had reported that he was in the process of working on an RFP to get published for the replacement of the HVAC (heating, ventilation, and air conditioning) RTU's (roof-top unit) in the auxiliary and main gym at the high school. Mechanical Systems, Inc. was the only bid received in the amount of \$878,800. Mr. Seicke recommends accepting this proposal. The bid has a 16–20-week lead time for Valent RTU's. The project would be completed right after graduation beginning with the removal of the units and the auxiliary gym will be completed first.

A motion may be brought at the February 12, 2024 Board of Education meeting **to accept the bid from Mechanical Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$878,800 for the purchase, removal of existing RTU's, and the installation of three (3) new HVAC Valent RTU's to be paid out of the Building Fund.**

G. One School One Book

Dr. Glasshoff introduced a program Dr. Bills and Mr. Johnson will be implementing for both K-5 buildings, One School, One Book. Dr. Bills and Mr. Johnson collaborated and picked one book from a list of specially selected titles and will send a copy of the book home with every K-5 student and families would read the novel at home. The book selected is, Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library, by Chris Grabenstein. The essential strategy of the program enforces reading instruction, increases parental involvement, supports the home-school connection, and builds a true community of readers. Dr. Bills and Mr. Johnson will be launching One School, One Book when the students return from spring break on Monday, March 11, 2023.

H. 2024-25 Budget Timeline

Mr. Shearer shared his proposed 2024-25 Budget Timeline.

I. Classified Staff – New Nebraska Minimum Wage

Mr. Shearer informed the Nebraska Minimum wage increased from \$10.50 to \$12.00 per hour effective January 1, 2024.

J. Negotiation Settlement Updates

Mr. Shearer shared a quick update on the current settlements for district in Blair Community School's array. He will continue to share if there are any further updates.

K. Monthly Financials – January 2024

Mr. Shearer provided a financial recap of the monthly financials.

- General Fund, Property Tax Collections Analysis, Activity Fund, Lunch Fund, and Cash Flow Forecasts.

L. Next Scheduled Finance Committee Meeting

Tuesday, March 18, 2024 at 12:00pm.

3. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:21pm.

Blair Community Schools
 Blair Gym Roof Top Units (RTU's)
 BID PROPOSALS RECEIVED by:
 2/5/2024 10:30 AM

#	Company	Address	Contact Name	Phone Number	Email address
1	Mechanical	7835 F St	Jeff Barnes	402-339-7277	jett@mechsystemsoma.com
	Systems Inc.	Omaha, NE 68127			
2					
3					
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Bid Proposal Form
Blair High School – Main and Auxiliary RTU Replacement

1326 Park Street, Blair, NE 68008

Company: Mechanical Systems, Inc
Address: 7835 F St
Omaha NE 68127
Telephone: 402 339 7277
Fax Number: 402 339 5022
Email Address: jeff@mechsystemsomaha.com

The undersigned, having visited the site and carefully examined the full set of Bidding Documents, as well as the Contract Specifications, including any and all of the Addenda enumerated herein and issued prior to the bidding date, along with the complete set of Contract Drawings numbered 1 through 13 for:

Blair High School - Main and Auxiliary Gym RTU Replacement

Hereby proposes to furnish all necessary materials, labor, equipment and systems required to complete all Work as required by or inferred from the Contract documents for the sum(s) stipulated below:

BASE BID

Lump sum price for all necessary General Construction, Plumbing, Mechanical and Electrical work, permits, fees and inspections in the amount of

Eight hundred, seventy eight thousand, eight hundred dollars.
(\$ 878,800.⁰⁰) Sales taxes not included

MECHANICAL SYSTEMS, INC.

7835 F Street
Omaha, NE 68127
402-339-7277 FAX 402-339-5022

PROPOSAL

January 5, 2024

TO: Jeff Steinbeck

From: Jeff Barnes

RE : Blair HS Main Gym RTU and Aux. Gym RTU

BID TIME: 10:30am

ADDENDA: 0

SCOPE: Remove existing Venmar, Addison RTU's and Replace with 3-New Valent RTU's

INCLUDES:

- Remove existing Venmar and Addison RTU's
- Remove existing Venmar roof curb down to decking
- Patch roofing and fill void left from removal of curb
- Furnish and install 1-New Plenum roof curb for Main Gym RTU's
- Furnish and install new curb adapter and equipment rail for Aux Gym RTU
- Furnish and set 3-New Valent RTU's (2- main gym, 1- aux. gym)
- Remove existing ductwork header on roof and prepare existing duct for new on Main Gym RTU's
- Fabricate and install new rectangular duct with fiberglass board insulation and alumina-gard wrap for Main Gym RTU's to tie in to existing spiral ductwork on roof
- Electrical Disconnects and re connects
- Temperature control disconnects and re connects, including programming and graphics
- Gas Piping disconnects and re connects, new piping as needed from existing to gas on roof to new RTU's
- Seal new connections only
- Air balancing
- Crane-250 Ton Crane with flatbed for plates
- Haul away old Venmar RTU's and Addison RTU
- Clean up
- Factory Start up
- Normal working hours
- Proposal is valid for 20 days
- Anything not specifically listed above is not included

EXCLUDES:

- Any repairs to existing ductwork, dampers of any kind, and registers
- Ductwork below roof curb
- Asbestos abatement
- Plumbing and fire sprinkler
- Fire alarm
- Ceiling or wall access doors
- Patching or painting of any kind
- Mechanical equipment steel structural supports



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- Temporary facilities
- Temporary heating or cooling of any kind
- Allowances
- Premium time working hours
- Material sales tax
- Bond add 1%

BASE BID.....\$878,800.00 Pricing based on doing all unit's at one time

*******16-20 week lead time for Valent RTU's*******



Mechanical Contractor
30th Anniversary



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Spread family literacy across an entire school district, following the One School, One Book model. Forge a community-wide conversation. When municipal government, volunteer associations, and local businesses are included, children are truly surrounded by literacy.

Each of our family literacy programs seeks to grow our community of readers and fulfill our mission to create a culture of literacy in every home.

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Welcome to Read to Them!

Read to Them programs help you create a memorable reading experience across your school community. Every student gets a copy of the selected title. At home, families read together following the reading schedule. At school, teachers use the materials from their Book Resource Page to enrich their students' experience with the book.

Our programs are priced on a per student basis, and pricing is usually around the cost of a children's chapter book. Discounts are available for schools purchasing programs for multiple events in one year. Please [click here](#) to receive a specific quote for your event or email us at programs@readtothem.org.



See the included Funding Solutions for ideas to finance your reading program.

You'll receive:

Books

Books ship directly to you. You will receive one book per student and 5% more for your staff.

On your Client Portal, you will have access to Pre-Read Materials including:

- How to Start – a practical guide to launching your reading program
- Make It Fun – use our creative ideas to create a memorable event
- Benefits of One School, One Book – communicate the value of family literacy to your community
- Community Involvement Guide – recruit partners to assist with your reading program
- Editable Press Release – inform your community and build support
- Letter Home to Families – inform your families of the program
- Kickoff Assembly Ideas - start your reading event with a bang!

You'll also receive title-specific materials for During the Read including:

- Reading Schedule – read along with students and families across the country
- Family Fun Pack – support families with Reading Tips; BINGO; trivia; discussion questions; activities; and a guide to connect with Read to Them, the author, and to find your next book.
- Book-Specific Resources – support teachers with easy-to-implement ideas, including:
 - Trivia Questions to keep your students engaged
 - Cross-Curriculum Activities to fully explore the book
 - Discussion Questions to spark insightful conversations
 - Some books also contain Vocabulary and Quotation Lists

Don't hesitate to call us or email us with questions – we are here to help!



Benefits



Our read aloud programs present a unique opportunity to bring both home and school together to support children's literacy, with far reaching benefits.

Our Read Aloud Programs Help You...

- Build better readers by filling children with stories. The research is clear – the best way to prepare children to be readers and learners is to read aloud to them, and a quality book with fun activities is a great way to start.
- Start good family reading habits by having families join the entire school community to read every night for several weeks in a row. Reading aloud as a family becomes part of the nightly routine when it is reinforced with a great book and a communal experience.
- Encourage family engagement by having parents play an essential role in your read aloud program. And, once parents get involved in such a fun and fulfilling experience, they are more likely to stay involved in your school.
- Foster a positive school community when everyone associated with your school participates in one big, shared experience with one fantastic book. The fun you have with your book will bring your school community together, across grade levels and amidst your faculty and staff.
- Broaden students and families' thinking about books and literature by showing them all the connections that can be drawn from one book. By using the trivia questions, activities, and discussion questions your students will learn to make a deeper connection with literature.
- Forge community relationships by inviting community members to be part of the reading program.



Most of all, reading aloud is lots of fun!



“It’s the most user-friendly way to plan an engaging month of reading for the entire school.”

Matt Barranca, Principal at Masonic Heights Elementary



Sample Book Packet Resources



Read to Them will provide you with title-specific resources on your school's Book Resource Page that are fun and easy to implement at your school. Here are some samples of those resources from four classics in our catalog.

A Sample Kickoff Event

Assembly Script for *Matilda* by Roald Dahl

Read to Them provides a range of kickoff ideas. Here is a sample assembly script:

Stage the principal's office. Two kids steal in and stuff the parrot in a closet or in a filing cabinet or something. Then, they sit down and wait. Principal arrives, sits down, looks at the students disapprovingly.

Principal: Jane, Michael, what's this all about? Your teacher tells me you have been disruptive all morning. What's going on?

Michael: Nothing.

Principal: Jane?

Jane: I don't know what she's talking about.

Principal: I have a full report here from both of your teachers!

No response from Jane or Michael. Principal is resigned.

Principal: Well then, I'm going to have to write this up. And call your parents. It could mean a suspension for each of you.

Offstage Voice: (spooky voice) I don't think so!

Principal: What?! Why?

Offstage Voice: You leave those children be or I will haunt your office...

Principal: What? You can't do that!

Offstage Voice: I can, and I have. And you're next if you don't let those children go!

You can play this as long as you want. The Offstage voice can haunt the cafeteria, the gym, the bus loop, and finally the library. The Librarian can then respond to the Voice saying, "I'm not afraid of you! I know all about you from this book – *Matilda* by Roald Dahl."



Sample Trivia Questions

for *Because of Winn-Dixie* by Kate DiCamillo



1. What did Winn-Dixie knock over when he first met Opal?
 - Oranges
2. What did Winn-Dixie do – that Opal had never seen a dog do before – when he first met Opal?
 - He smiled.
3. Who said, “You are a suffering dog”?
 - Opal
4. Opal’s father used to be a missionary. Where?
 - India
5. Who does Preacher Buloni call a Less Fortunate One?
 - Winn-Dixie

Sample Discussion Questions



for *Bud, Not Buddy* by Christopher Paul Curtis

1. “When You Make Up Your Mind to Do Something, Hurry Up and Do It, If You Wait You Might Talk Yourself Out of What You Wanted in the First Place.” Why is it a good idea to do things immediately? What’s the alternative? Are there benefits to waiting? Are there consequences to waiting? Share some stories about procrastination that have had positive or negative results.
2. Bugs slobbered his hand, Bud globbed his, and then they slapped hands to get their slobbs “mixed up real good.” Can you think of other ways people do something strange to symbolize a partnership? Why do we do these things? Have you done something like this with a friend? If not, would you?
3. Bud’s suitcase contains the few things he owns, and each of them helps him remember his mother. What mementos do you have that bring back memories? Have you ever given anyone something to help them remember you by?

Sample Activities

for *My Side of the Mountain* by Jean Craighead George

1. **Descriptive Language (Language Arts)** – The author uses descriptive language to make Sam’s forest home seem real. For example, she describes the stream on page 11, “It was a clear athletic stream that rushed and ran and jumped and splashed. Ferns grew along its bank, and its rocks were upholstered with moss.” Challenge your students to find their favorite piece of description in each night’s reading and keep a running list of these wonderfully descriptive passages as you go through the book.
2. **Design Your Home in a Tree (STEM)** – Sam makes a home in the base of a hemlock tree. It is six feet in diameter. Have your students design their own very tiny home, six feet in diameter. How would they make the most of such a small space?

3. **Whittle (Art)** – Instead of using a knife and wood, try soap carving. A bar of soap is soft enough to be carved with a plastic knife, a pencil, and a large paperclip. Students can carve a design into the soap with a pencil and then remove the soap around their design with the other tools. A pencil can put in fine details.

4. **Food from the Forest (Science)** – At first, Sam exists on fish and shellfish from the creek. Later, he begins to investigate the plants that might feed him. Start a running list of the delicacies he enjoys throughout the book. You could make a My Side of the Mountain cookbook to describe the foods and cooking methods he uses.

5. **Animal Tracks (Science, Art)** – Sam spots tracks of different animals in the snow: mice, weasels, mink, foxes, shrews, rabbits. Have your students research the tracks of these and other woodland animals. They can work in groups to make board games based on tracking animals in the snow.

Sample Financial Literacy Activities for *Dog Days* by Karen English



1. **Business Plan** – Gavin passes several businesses throughout the story as he walks Carlotta. He sees a donut shop, a hobby shop, a coffee shop, Wendy's Wonderful Wigs, a butcher shop, Mr. D's, and a bike shop. Have students come up with an idea for a new business for your community. What will the name of their business be? What will they sell? Who will their customers be? They can design a sign for their new business, complete with the name, a logo, and a tagline.

2. **Save Your Pennies!** – Gavin thinks he will just use some of the money he's been saving up for a skateboard to buy Carlotta a new chew toy. Saving means that you put money away to spend later, rather than spending it right now, and that can be hard for some people to do. Ask your students if they have ever saved up to buy something. How did they do it? You can roleplay saving vs. spending by giving students some play money. They can use that money to buy some small trinkets today or save it to buy something better next week. Have them talk about their thought process and how they made their decision.

3. **Pet Store Shopping Spree** – Let students pretend they are ready to buy a new dog. They have \$25 to buy supplies, accessories, and food for their pet. They can use a pet store website to decide what they are going to buy with their \$25. Or you can use this price list:

Leash	\$15
Collar	\$10
Food and Water Bowls	\$12
Dog Bed	\$15
Squeaky Toy	\$7
Rawhide	\$6
Treats	\$4
Tennis Balls	\$3





Funding Solutions



Here are some successful strategies schools have used to secure financial support for your read aloud program.

Discounts



By joining with other schools in your district or ordering more than one title per year, you can reduce your per-student cost. Call or email us for more information on discounts.

Title I Funding

Read to Them programs fulfill the parental engagement requirement of Title I funding. This funding has been successfully used by many schools to fund the entire program. Go to readtothem.org/fundraising-resources to see our Read to Them Title I Information Sheet.

Grants

Many local, state, and national philanthropies provide grant funding for literacy initiatives. See our Read to Them Grant Toolkit at readtothem.org/fundraising-resources for assistance in writing a winning proposal.

Community Funding Sources

Your community may be interested in underwriting your family literacy program. Schools have been successful at securing funding from:

- Community Groups – Kiwanis, Junior League, Rotary Club, and other civic groups
- Business Leaders – The Chamber of Commerce, major local employers, and other businesses who can support your school
- Banks – Under the Community Reinvestment Act, banks are encouraged to reinvest into their communities and can make great partners, especially on financial literacy titles.

School-based Funding Sources

You may be able to fund your reading program within your school. Schools have used these approaches to finance the program:

- PTA/PTO Sponsorship – The school/family connection of our read aloud programs make it a natural project for the PTA/PTO to fund.
- Fundraising – Some schools do a specific fundraiser, either through a traditional fundraising campaign or a community appeal through local media.
- Direct Request to Parents – A portion of your parent community may be interested in sponsoring a read aloud program for the whole school.



Our Read to Them staff is happy to discuss funding strategies with you.
Call or email us with your questions.



Reading Chapter Books to Young Students

Can your younger students handle a full novel?

Yes, with some support they can.

- Children can listen to stories that are above their reading level. It is true for picture books and it is true for novels, too.
- Our Elementary: Trends Younger and All Elementary titles are specially curated to support a wide range of listeners.
- Our Reading Schedules break the novel down into manageable pieces, about 15 minutes each, or about the same amount of time as reading one or two picture books.
- We provide Read Aloud Tips to help families make their reading time interactive and engaging.

How can you prepare your younger students for your school-wide reading program?

- Encourage the teachers of younger students to read longer picture books and early chapter books aloud in class.
- Expand the books offered to younger students in your school library. This way, longer books start going home in advance of your program.
- When you sign up for your Read to Them program and receive access to your materials, send the Reading Tips home right away so families can start practicing good read-aloud habits.



“With 25 years of experience in the teaching arena, I’ve never come across a program that was so easy to plan, provide directives for, and implement using a simple concept that demonstrated amazing results.”

Celebrate Summer with One School, One Book



Family literacy shouldn't stop when summer vacation begins. Instead, keep the fun rolling through the summer by sharing one title with your whole community.

Why do a school-wide reading program in the summer?

Literacy – You've worked hard on literacy all year. Keep students moving forward over the summer! Read a book together to enhance vocabulary and background knowledge, and to further fuel a love of stories.

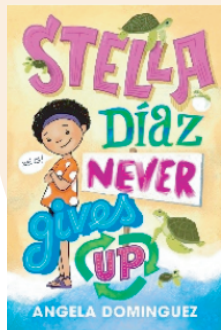
Connection – Strengthen the bonds within your school community during the summer by having everyone share a common – and fun! – reading experience.

How do you get started?

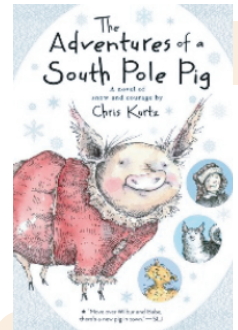
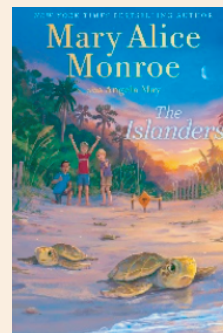
Choose a title – Here are great summer titles with themes like family, vacation, and adventure.



Available in Spanish



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For more title options, click [HERE](#) to see the rest of our Summer Fun catalog. Reach out to us at (804) 367-3195 or programs@readtothem.org for additional help finding the perfect book.


Assemble your materials – Our summer titles come with our full array of book-specific materials: trivia, activities, discussion questions, and more. We also provide a Family Fun Pack, Kahoot! quizzes, and Flipgrid prompts to promote family engagement while students are away from school.

Kick it off right – A rollicking kick-off assembly will create curiosity and build excitement. Then distribute books and family materials and start reading!



How do you keep everyone engaged over the summer?

It's easy with our book-related materials. Here are some tips:

- Send home the **Family Fun Pack**, an easy way for families to engage. Start the day with trivia. Do an activity in the afternoon. Have a discussion over dinner. Join with other families for a neighborhood trivia night, sidewalk chalk art exhibition, and picnic with foods from the book. See who on the block will be the first one to get BINGO on our card with quick and easy activities. 
- Highlight our **Kahoot! quizzes and Flipgrid prompts** for digital ways to engage with others, both in your community and beyond.
- Supplement the Family Fun Pack with ideas from our school-based **Activities** list. Look for ideas that can be easily adapted to summer – food-based activities and outdoor games are great options. Send them home periodically over the summer to keep families exploring.
- Invite community businesses and civic organizations to join the fun. Put our **Book Posters** around town and encourage families to snap selfies with them. A discount at your indie book store for a correct trivia answer, a book-themed treat at the local ice cream parlor, or a read-aloud tent at the Farmer's Market.
- Plan **Virtual and In-Person Meet-ups** to build community. Discussion circles at the coffee shop, virtual trivia face-offs, an art gallery at the public library, sharing thoughts on Flipgrid, group read alouds in the park or on your school's social media. Maybe even a book-themed float in the 4th of July parade!
- Encourage families to post on **Social Media** the various places they are reading and see who comes up with the most unusual one. Whose book traveled the farthest? Went to the highest elevation? Got the most sandy?
- Plan a big **Book Celebration** for the end of the summer. Invite families and community members for book-themed activities like a Trivia Bowl, scavenger hunt, games, food, and art projects.
- And when you are back at school in the fall, use our materials for some **School-based Engagement**, also.



Ready to get started? Go to your title of choice on our website and click the **ADD TO QUOTE** button.



Perfect Summer Activities

Use our Activities list for warm-weather fun! Check out a few examples below.

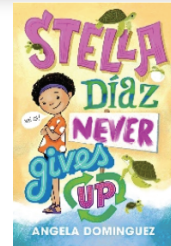


Animal Friends

Bat loves animals – especially his pet skunk kit, Thor. Visit a shelter or animal rescue center to spend some time cuddling some furry friends.

Ice Cream Treats

Summer is the perfect time to enjoy a frozen treat. Stella and her family love Oberweis in Chicago. Take a trip to your favorite place for a cone or a sundae.

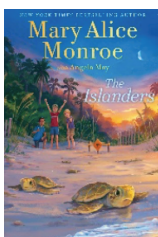


Design a Park

Prospect Park is a big part of Jaxon's life. What features would you include in a park – besides transport to the world of dragons? Draw it on paper or break out the sidewalk chalk.

Build-a-Bot

Raid your recycling bin and art supplies to create your own robot. Materials could include cardboard boxes, foil, plastic bottles and caps, masking tape, pipe cleaners, buttons – see what you can find!

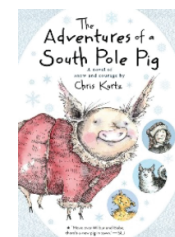


Happy Independence Day!

Celebrate the 4th in style like the folks of Dewee's Island. Festoon bikes and scooters in red, white, and blue and have a neighborhood parade.

Stargazing

You probably don't need to navigate by the stars like Aleric, but warm summer nights are the best time to take a blanket outside, lie back, and do some stargazing of your own.





The Family Literacy Model



The Family Literacy Model demonstrates that participating in a read aloud program can connect three vital pillars to surround a child with literacy.

Once the book is received, students are encouraged to read it with their families each night.

With such an exciting title, it's no surprise that kids share their thoughts about the book with their peers, allowing for conversations to spark and spread across all grade levels.

When a whole school is talking about one book, connections are forged and a sense of community is established, one that lasts far beyond the span of your program.



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“The book has prompted family engagement in our schools and at home. Parents are making more of an effort to read with their children at home since embarking on the [reading] journey.”

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Description	Code	2023-2024				2022-2023			
		Mon Rec	YTD Rec	Budget	%	Mon Rec	YTD Rec	Budget	%
Local Receipts									
Local Property Taxes	11100	\$2,284,194	\$8,485,124	\$16,450,818	51.6%	\$2,030,023	\$7,823,425	\$17,470,198	44.8%
Property Tax Interest & Penalties	11140	\$6,423	\$16,633	\$38,000	43.8%	\$7,287	\$21,128	\$37,000	57.1%
Carline Tax	11115	\$0	\$1,307	\$1,200	108.9%	\$0	\$1,153	\$8,500	13.6%
OPPD In Lieu	11120	\$0	\$0	\$232,000	0.0%	\$0	\$0	\$220,000	0.0%
Motor Vehicle Tax	11125	\$162,403	\$740,246	\$1,750,000	42.3%	\$148,859	\$705,129	\$1,700,000	41.5%
Tuition ESU#3 (PT Contract)	11315	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
Tuition Other Districts (SPED)	11323	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
Tuition for Summer School	11312	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
Tuition for Preschool	11370	\$7,500	\$27,900	\$45,000	62.0%	\$4,440	\$27,297	\$40,000	68.2%
Transportation School Districts	11423	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
Transportation Private Sources	11440	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
Interest	11510	\$4,492	\$28,263	\$26,000	108.7%	\$3,525	\$15,718	\$14,000	112.3%
Local License Fee	11911	\$240	\$3,240	\$6,500	49.8%	\$240	\$3,240	\$7,000	46.3%
Police Court Fines	11921	\$200	\$575	\$900	63.9%	\$150	\$400	\$600	66.7%
Community Service Fees	11800	\$0	\$2,039	\$2,000	102.0%	\$0	\$0	\$1,800	0.0%
Rentals - Facilities and Equip	11910	\$0	\$6,060	\$5,000	121.2%	\$100	\$5,900	\$4,000	147.5%
Contributions/Donations	11920	\$762	\$1,815	\$4,000	45.4%	\$1,065	\$3,842	\$4,000	96.1%
Grant - Corporate/Private Interest	11925	\$2,289	\$24,516	\$0	100.0%	\$500	\$7,482	\$0	100.0%
Misc Revenue-Local Government	11960	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
Other Local Receipts	11990	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$385	\$0	100.0%
Total		\$2,468,504	\$9,337,718	\$18,561,418	50.3%	\$2,196,189	\$8,615,100	\$19,507,098	44.2%
Intermediate Source									
County Fines & Licenses	12110	\$154,519	\$154,519	\$110,000	140.5%	\$114,150	\$114,150	\$107,000	106.7%
ESU #3 Receipts	12210	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
Total		\$154,519	\$154,519	\$110,000	140.5%	\$114,150	\$114,150	\$107,000	106.7%
State Source									
State Aid	13110	\$375,225	\$1,876,125	\$3,752,253	50.0%	\$43,887	\$219,435	\$438,874	50.0%
Special Education	13120	\$365,528	\$729,976	\$2,499,504	29.2%	\$172,732	\$345,464	\$1,310,000	26.4%
SPED Sch Age Transportation	13125	\$0	\$0	\$101,000	0.0%	\$0	\$0	\$120,000	0.0%
Homestead Exemption	13130	\$0	\$0	\$375,000	0.0%	\$0	\$0	\$425,000	0.0%
Payments for Hi Ability	13535	\$0	\$11,734	\$11,410	102.8%	\$0	\$10,436	\$9,740	107.1%
Flex Funding: Before Age 5	13165	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
Flex Funding: School Age	13166	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$8,000	0.0%
Pro-Rate Motor Vehicles	13180	\$0	\$5,999	\$45,000	13.3%	\$0	\$5,809	\$41,000	14.2%
State Apportionment	13400	\$421,971	\$421,971	\$370,000	114.0%	\$0	\$0	\$310,000	0.0%
Property Tax Credit	13131	\$0	\$0	\$850,000	0.0%	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000	0.0%
Personal Property Tax Credit	13132	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%

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Education Innovation Grant	13575	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
Teacher Training Grants	13551	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
State Field Trip Grant (NAC)	13590	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
NDEQ Transportation Grant	13500	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
Early Childhood Grant	13540	\$0	\$15,738	\$72,405	21.7%	\$0	\$15,653	\$63,560	24.6%
SixPence Early Childhood Grant	13541	\$0	\$14,919	\$85,000	17.6%	\$0	\$47,832	\$105,558	45.3%
NDEQ Transportation Grant	13599	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
Other	13990	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$320	\$0	100.0%
Total		\$1,162,724	\$3,076,462	\$8,161,572	37.7%	\$216,619	\$644,949	\$3,831,732	16.8%
Federal Sources									
IDEA Part B, Peak Grant	14418	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$1,651	\$1,651	\$0	100.0%
Title I Current	14505	\$0	\$0	\$185,092	0.0%	\$0	\$17,700	\$193,496	9.1%
Title I - Accountability	14506	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
Title II Part A	14509	\$0	\$0	\$44,146	0.0%	\$0	\$0	\$49,826	0.0%
Title IV	14969	\$0	\$0	\$15,795	0.0%	\$0	\$0	\$12,169	0.0%
IDEA PART B (611) ARP	14421	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$12,535	\$0	100.0%
IDEA PRESCHOOL (619) ARP	14422	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
IDEA BASE AGE 0-3/3-5	14512	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
IDEA 619 Ages 3-4	14516	\$0	\$12,290	\$12,503	98.3%	\$0	\$0	\$12,290	0.0%
IDEA Part B (611) Base Allocation	14518	\$0	\$450,230	\$470,581	95.7%	\$0	\$64,737	\$450,230	14.4%
IDEA Part B Proportionate Share	14521	\$0	\$4,350	\$8,160	53.3%	\$0	\$0	\$4,530	0.0%
MIPS	14708	\$18,128	\$36,292	\$45,000	80.6%	\$0	\$21,432	\$30,000	71.4%
MEDICAID ADMIN	14709	\$0	\$6,943	\$22,000	31.6%	\$0	\$13,231	\$26,000	50.9%
Forest Reserve: De Soto	14707	\$0	\$0	\$14,000	0.0%	\$0	\$0	\$13,500	0.0%
Perkins Grant	14525	\$0	\$20,216	\$18,961	106.6%	\$0	\$0	\$20,216	0.0%
Title III NCLB-LEP	14527	\$0	\$0	\$3,000	0.0%	\$0	\$456	\$3,108	14.7%
Head Start	14309	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
Disaster Aid (FEMA-Covid19)	14995	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
ESSER Grant (Covid19)	14996	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
ESSER II Grant (Covid19)	14997	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
ESSER III Grant (Covid19)	14998	\$0	\$0	\$215,670	0.0%	\$0	\$156,298	\$551,685	28.3%
Other Fed Categorical	14530	\$0	\$75,199	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
Total		\$18,128	\$605,520	\$1,054,908	57.4%	\$1,651	\$288,040	\$1,367,050	21.1%
Non Revenue Receipts									
Insurance Adjustment	15301	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$13,408	\$0	100.0%
Transfer of Funds In	15200	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
Refunds from Prior Years Expense	11980	\$4,214	\$5,132	\$0	100.0%	\$922	\$13,790	\$0	100.0%
Other Non-Revenue Rec	15690	\$0	\$1,354	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$1,482	\$0	100.0%

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Non Program Receipts									
Sale of Property	15300	\$1,094	\$7,220	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$11,684	\$0	100.0%
Total		\$1,094	\$7,220	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$11,684	\$0	100.0%
GRAND TOTAL		\$3,809,182	\$13,187,924	\$27,887,898	47.3%	\$2,529,531	\$9,702,602	\$24,812,880	39.1%

Period: 5
 Month: JANUARY
 Year: 2023-2024

Receipts to be Collected	\$27,887,898	\$24,812,880
Local Property Taxes-State Budge 11101	-\$1,319,641	\$1,567,515
Cash Balance Estimated on Budget	\$5,518,862	\$5,226,297
County Treasurer Balance Estimated on Budget	<u>\$6,192,422</u>	<u>\$5,997,351</u>
Total Receipts	<u><u>\$38,279,541</u></u>	<u><u>\$37,604,043</u></u>

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		2023-2024				2022-2023			
Program Name	Month Exp	YTD Exp	Budget	%	Month Exp	YTD Exp	Budget	%	
201100	Regular Instruction	\$1,020,800	\$5,217,644	\$12,952,745	40.3%	\$969,812	\$5,110,410	\$12,521,159	40.8%
201125	Regular Instruction - FLEX	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
201150	Instruction - Limited English Programs	\$4,587	\$25,272	\$69,556	36.3%	\$9,183	\$45,946	\$109,213	42.1%
201160	Instruction - Poverty Programs	\$39,303	\$189,141	\$541,833	34.9%	\$64,896	\$218,403	\$530,225	41.2%
	Subtotal REGULAR INSTRUCTION	\$1,064,690	\$5,432,057	\$13,564,135	40.0%	\$1,043,890	\$5,374,760	\$13,160,597	40.8%
201200	Special Education	\$250,344	\$1,241,901	\$2,808,063	44.2%	\$216,508	\$1,166,166	\$2,875,420	40.6%
202141	Special Education (Psychology)	\$20,481	\$93,757	\$413,219	22.7%	\$34,585	\$143,515	\$418,318	34.3%
202151	Special Education (Speech Path)	\$21,677	\$88,623	\$217,909	40.7%	\$21,696	\$93,375	\$195,922	47.7%
202161	Special Education (Occup Therapy)	\$5,208	\$35,385	\$158,389	22.3%	\$7,771	\$49,569	\$128,082	38.7%
202171	Special Education (Physical Therapy)	\$5,208	\$26,889	\$1,183	2272.0%	\$0	\$45	\$569	7.9%
202181	Special Education (Vision Services)	\$12,485	\$37,455	\$85,000	44.1%	\$26,178	\$26,178	\$85,000	30.8%
	Subtotal SPED - SCHOOL AGE	\$315,404	\$1,524,009	\$3,683,763	41.4%	\$306,736	\$1,478,848	\$3,703,311	39.9%
201190	Early Childhood Education	\$233	\$6,553	\$27,086	24.2%	\$169	\$1,543	\$1,200	128.6%
201291	Preschool - SPED - Ages 3-5	\$14,407	\$63,391	\$98,887	64.1%	\$13,928	\$93,947	\$344,508	27.3%
201292	Preschool - SPED - Ages 0-2	\$0	\$43	\$1,078	4.0%	\$0	\$0	\$200	0.0%
202142	Preschool - Psych - Ages 3-5	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$60	\$0	100.0%
202143	Preschool - Psych - Ages 0-2	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
202152	Preschool - Speech Path - Ages 3-5	\$0	\$997	\$3,983	25.0%	\$4,222	\$7,065	\$2,242	315.1%
202153	Preschool - Speech Path - Ages 0-2	\$4,482	\$13,970	\$39,470	35.4%	\$8,444	\$8,980	\$40,420	22.2%
202162	Preschool - Occup Therapy - Ages 3-5	\$2,604	\$14,218	\$20	71092.1%	\$2,014	\$10,071	\$24,200	41.6%
202163	Preschool - Occup Therapy - Ages 0-2	\$2,604	\$13,099	\$299	4381.6%	\$2,014	\$10,396	\$24,380	42.6%
202172	Preschool - Physical Therapy - Ages 3-5	\$2,604	\$15,625	\$60,075	26.0%	\$3,375	\$16,874	\$40,576	41.6%
202173	Preschool - Physical Therapy - Ages 0-2	\$2,604	\$10,481	\$35,200	29.8%	\$3,375	\$16,996	\$40,701	41.8%
202182	Preschool - Vision Services - Ages 3-5	\$1,561	\$4,682	\$20,000	23.4%	\$5,236	\$5,236	\$20,000	26.2%
202183	Preschool - Vision Services - Ages 0-2	\$1,561	\$4,682	\$14,000	33.4%	\$2,618	\$2,618	\$14,000	18.7%
	Subtotal PRESCHOOL (non-reimbursed)	\$32,659	\$147,741	\$300,098	49.2%	\$45,393	\$173,786	\$552,426	31.5%
202610	Operation of Plant	\$124,996	\$709,146	\$1,486,522	47.7%	\$118,895	\$624,944	\$1,392,281	44.9%
202620	Maintenance of Plant	\$49,512	\$249,046	\$410,956	60.6%	\$25,185	\$138,839	\$280,425	49.5%
202630	Grounds Maintenance	\$10,701	\$76,113	\$176,787	43.1%	\$12,922	\$63,635	\$142,931	44.5%
202640	Equipment Maintenance	\$822	\$17,307	\$19,400	89.2%	\$732	\$6,881	\$11,200	61.4%
202650	Non-Student Vehicle Maint & Purch	\$1,450	\$5,400	\$68,696	7.9%	\$539	\$5,404	\$68,869	7.8%
202660	Security	\$4,010	\$52,423	\$89,200	58.8%	\$8,405	\$57,835	\$84,200	68.7%
202670	Safety	\$6,983	\$25,983	\$57,893	44.9%	\$7,445	\$31,510	\$52,484	60.0%
202680	Operation/Maintenance of Plant-Other	\$0	\$0	\$4,000	0.0%	\$0	\$0	\$3,000	0.0%
	Subtotal MAINTENANCE COSTS	\$198,473	\$1,135,418	\$2,313,454	49.1%	\$174,122	\$929,049	\$2,035,389	45.6%
202710	Reg Pupil Transportation-Operating	\$37,512	\$178,706	\$676,862	26.4%	\$27,401	\$165,237	\$342,126	48.3%
202712	SPED Transportation-Operating	\$6,722	\$34,022	\$64,376	52.8%	\$4,778	\$29,621	\$151,221	19.6%
202713	SPED Transport-Preschool-Operating	\$0	\$312	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$472	\$0	100.0%
202720	Reg Pupil Transportation-Monitoring	\$5,208	\$28,514	\$65,256	43.7%	\$10,230	\$49,239	\$2,095	2350.3%
202722	SPED Transportation-Monitoring	\$5,328	\$29,177	\$72,976	40.0%	\$7,814	\$38,383	\$47,227	81.3%
202730	Reg Pupil Transportation-Maintenance	\$3,527	\$70,351	\$84,473	83.3%	\$2,299	\$48,078	\$379,914	12.7%
202732	SPED Transportation-Maintenance	\$738	\$17,459	\$31,390	55.6%	\$204	\$13,565	\$30,893	43.9%
202790	Reg Pupil Transportation-Other	\$32	\$177	\$1,168	15.2%	\$50	\$526	\$120,159	0.4%
202792	SPED Transportation-Other	\$0	\$0	\$3,435	0.0%	\$0	\$3,883	\$47,290	8.2%

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	Program Name	2023-2024				2022-2023			
		Month Exp	YTD Exp	Budget	%	Month Exp	YTD Exp	Budget	%
202793	SPED Transportation-Other Preschool	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
	Subtotal STUDENT TRANSPORTATION	\$59,067	\$358,718	\$999,937	35.9%	\$52,776	\$349,004	\$1,120,925	31.1%
202110	Attendance & Social Work Services	\$3,815	\$19,070	\$0	100.0%	\$4,039	\$7,714	\$0	100.0%
202120	Guidance Services	\$39,611	\$204,400	\$371,762	55.0%	\$37,410	\$201,251	\$489,740	41.1%
202130	Health Services	\$23,454	\$107,885	\$238,902	45.2%	\$20,211	\$110,123	\$241,264	45.6%
202140	Psych Services	\$0	\$3,703	\$32,850	11.3%	\$0	\$2,368	\$25,000	9.5%
202190	Other Pupil Supp Services	\$8,131	\$52,505	\$136,244	38.5%	\$9,550	\$50,868	\$133,080	38.2%
202210	Improvement of Instruction	\$79	\$689	\$46,172	1.5%	\$390	\$16,478	\$132,911	12.4%
202212	Curriculum & Assessment	\$0	\$3,365	\$15,073	22.3%	\$0	\$4,135	\$46,838	8.8%
202213	Instructional Staff Training/Development	\$808	\$8,035	\$61,698	13.0%	\$320	\$10,823	\$64,901	16.7%
202211	School Improvement	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$1,410	0.0%
202214	Implementation of Standards	\$0	\$0	\$276	0.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
202220	Library Services	\$38,819	\$238,451	\$603,596	39.5%	\$40,926	\$254,048	\$597,778	42.5%
202230	Instruction-Related Technology	\$21,652	\$72,843	\$199,054	36.6%	\$8,355	\$95,662	\$325,131	29.4%
202223	Audio-Visual Services	\$2,817	\$4,275	\$7,300	58.6%	\$104	\$5,256	\$7,300	72.0%
202240	Academic Student Assessment	\$0	\$15,000	\$35,125	42.7%	\$0	\$24,996	\$45,121	55.4%
202310	Board of Education	\$8,351	\$13,953	\$41,649	33.5%	\$7,009	\$11,091	\$40,799	27.2%
202320	Executive Admin Services	\$59,143	\$290,860	\$698,977	41.6%	\$25,111	\$127,471	\$365,379	34.9%
202330	Legal Services	\$322	\$7,893	\$14,850	53.2%	\$370	\$6,921	\$17,500	39.5%
202410	Office of Principal	\$119,966	\$610,755	\$1,351,186	45.2%	\$113,185	\$576,038	\$1,355,457	42.5%
202490	School Administration - Other	\$3,168	\$5,771	\$9,200	62.7%	\$0	\$785	\$10,700	7.3%
202510	Gen Business Support	\$28,569	\$216,242	\$426,437	50.7%	\$33,093	\$191,306	\$384,872	49.7%
202520	Warehousing & Distribution	\$0	\$0	\$301	0.0%	\$0	\$350	\$1	35000.0%
202530	Printing, Publishing, Duplicating Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
202540	Planning, R&D, & Evaluation Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
202560	Public Information Services	\$0	\$488	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
202570	Personnel Services	\$2,639	\$2,798	\$2,500	111.9%	\$2,478	\$2,478	\$3,000	82.6%
202580	Technology-Administration Services	\$0	\$3,083	\$7,300	42.2%	\$0	\$9,443	\$3,750	251.8%
202900	Other Support Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
203300	Community Services	\$0	\$89	\$1,542	5.8%	\$0	\$95	\$2,015	4.7%
203400	Corporate/Private Interest Grants	\$0	\$24,700	\$0	100.0%	\$1,182	\$3,598	\$0	100.0%
203535	High Ability Learners Grant	\$0	\$0	\$11,410	0.0%	\$0	\$10,436	\$10,130	103.0%
203540	State Early Childhood Grant	\$8,543	\$40,648	\$72,405	56.1%	\$7,849	\$38,459	\$63,560	60.5%
203541	Sixpence Early Childhood Grant	\$6,120	\$29,872	\$85,000	35.1%	\$5,185	\$40,873	\$105,558	38.7%
203599	State Categorical Grants-NDEQ Grant	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
201300	Summer School	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
208000	Activity Fund Transfers	\$0	\$0	\$60,000	0.0%	\$0	\$0	\$30,000	0.0%
209000	NON-PROGRAM EXPEND	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
	FEDERAL PROGRAMS			\$0					
206200	Title I	\$37,073	\$185,351	\$245,033	75.6%	\$0	\$113,514	\$255,491	44.4%
206210	Title I Accountability	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
206310	Title IIA	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$8,490	\$33,961	\$0	100.0%
206404	IDEA 611 BIRTH TO	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
206406	IDEA 619 AGES 3-4	\$0	\$0	\$12,503	0.0%	\$0	\$12,290	\$12,290	100.0%
206408	IDEA - SPED BASE-EP	\$42,727	\$192,154	\$470,581	40.8%	\$36,449	\$198,529	\$450,230	44.1%
206410	IDEA - SPED Preschool	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%

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Program Name	2023-2024				2022-2023			
	Month Exp	YTD Exp	Budget	%	Month Exp	YTD Exp	Budget	%
206412 IDEA - Part B Proportionalte Share	\$0	\$0	\$8,160	0.0%	\$0	\$4,350	\$4,350	100.0%
206415 IDEA SPECIAL PROJECTS	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
206418 IDEA PART B PEAK PROJECTS	\$0	\$985	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$1,651	\$0	100.0%
206421 IDEA PART-B (611) ARP BASE & ENROLL	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
206422 IDEA PRESCHOOL (619) ARP	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
206700 PERKINS GRANT	\$0	\$9,757	\$18,961	51.5%	\$6,738	\$7,961	\$20,216	39.4%
206925 Title III	\$0	\$0	\$3,000	0.0%	\$0	\$2,590	\$3,108	83.3%
206940 HEAD START	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
206990 FEDERAL CATEGORICAL GRANTS	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$77,900	\$0	100.0%
206996 CARES ACT - ESSER FUND-COVID19	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
206997 CRRSA - ESSER II FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.0%
206998 ARP - ESSER III GRANT	\$11,255	\$61,032	\$215,669	28.3%	\$11,673	\$105,366	\$551,685	19.1%
TOTAL	\$2,137,355	\$11,024,596	\$26,366,105	41.8%	\$2,003,035	\$10,666,623	\$26,373,212	40.4%

Period: 5 (JANUARY)
Year: 2023-2024

Total Budget of Disbursements	\$26,366,105	\$26,373,212
Debt Service (Spending Authority Adjustment)	\$10,316,750	\$9,709,723
Necessary Cash Reserve	\$1,596,686	\$1,521,108
Total Requirements	\$38,279,541	\$37,604,043