

Board of Education Meeting Agenda  
Monday, January 4, 2016 6:30 PM  
Bellevue Public Schools Welcome Center  
2600 Arboretum Drive  
Bellevue, NE 68005

A. Routine Business

A.1. Call to Order  
Nina Wolford

A.2. Roll Call  
Board Secretary

A.3. Open Meetings Law  
Nina Wolford

The Bellevue Board of Education abides by the Nebraska Open Meetings Law. A copy of the law is posted on the wall of our Board room.

A.4. Pledge of Allegiance  
Nina Wolford

B. Consent Agenda  
Nina Wolford

Administrative Recommendation: Approve by consent items in section B of the Agenda identified with an asterisk and receive the information and proposals in sections D identified with an asterisk.

B.1. \*Approval of Minutes  
Board Secretary

The attached Minutes of the December 7, 2015 Board of Education meeting were sent to all members of the Board of Education for review.

Administrative Recommendation: Approve the Minutes of the December 7, 2015, Board of Education meeting.

B.2. \*Treasurer's Report  
Susan Brooks

Administrative Recommendation: Acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer's Report for December, 2015.

B.3. \*Payment of Claims

Jeff Rippe

Administrative Recommendation: Approve the payment of claims totaling \$724,584.75.

B.4. \*Release from Contract

Sharra Smith

Administrative recommendation: Release (1) Michael Brodersen from his contract effective December 28, 2015.

C. Action Items

C.1. Reorganization of the Board of Education

Nina Wolford

C.1.a. Election of Temporary Chairman

Nina Wolford

Request for nomination of Temporary Chairman is taken.

Administrative Recommendation: Nominate (Frank Harwood) as Temporary Chairman of the Board.

C.1.b. Election of President

Frank Harwood

Nominations for President of the Board will be taken.

If no further nominations, I declare that the nominations be closed.

*If one nominee, roll call vote will be taken. If more than one nominee, vote will be taken by secret ballot.*

C.1.c. Election of Vice President  
Board President

Nominations for Vice President of the Board will be taken.

If no further nominations, I declare that the nominations be closed.

*If one nominee, roll call vote will be taken. If more than one nominee, vote will be taken by secret ballot.*

C.1.d. Election of Secretary  
Board President

Nominations for Secretary of the Board will be taken.

If no further nominees, I declare that nominations be closed.

*If one nominee, roll call vote will be taken. If more than one nominee, vote will be taken by secret ballot.*

C.1.e. Election of Treasurer  
Board President

Nominations for Treasurer of the Board will be taken.

If no further nominees, I declare that nominations be closed.

*If one nominee, roll call vote will be taken. If more than one nominee, vote will be taken by secret ballot.*

C.1.f. Resolution Naming Authorized Representative of the Board  
Board President

Each year the board must authorize representatives to file the applications and reports for Impact Aid, Title XVIII of PL106-398, and any other Federal applications, reports, resolutions, contracts, real estate transactions, and agreements necessary to the operation of the school district as required on behalf of the Bellevue Public School District.

Administrative recommendation: The administration recommends that the President and Vice president be the authorized representatives of the Board.

C.1.g. Official Representative of the Board of Education  
Board President

Each year the Board designates districts staff to act on their behalf in matters relating to local, state, and federal programs including applications, plans, reports, and verified information for No Child Left Behind, vocational education, special education, adult education, grants, Educational Service Unit, and any other federal or state programs as required, and any contracts, real estate transactions, or agreements necessary to the operation of the school district and as authorized through Board policy.

Administrative Recommendation: The administration recommends that the Board authorize the Superintendent or his designee as the official representative of the Board of Education.

C.1.h. District Warrants (only needed if officers change)  
Board President

In the event that the Board officers change, the Board must authorize the use of the previous officer's signatures for the month of January.

C.1.i. Foundation Board Members  
Board President

Each year the Board may appoint up to three of its members to serve on the Bellevue Public Schools' Foundation Board of Directors.

The current members of the Foundation Board of Directors are Frank Kumor and Doug Cook.

C.1.j. Americanism Committee  
Board President

State law requires that the President of the Board of Education appoint three Board members to examine, inspect, and approve all textbooks used in the teaching of American History and Civil Government.

The current members of the Americanism Committee are Mike Kinney and Lisa Rybar. Cindy Copich will need to be replaced.

#### C.1.k. Student Discipline Committee

Board President

The Bellevue Board of Education serves in a quasi-judicial role at various times including when a student discipline action by the administration is appealed. The President of the Board of Education shall appoint three members of the Board to the Student Discipline Committee to hear any student discipline appeals.

The current members of the Student Discipline Committee are Doug Cook, Frank Kumor, and Nina Wolford.

#### C.1.l. MABE Board Member

Board President

MABE is comprised of a school board representative from each of the metro area school districts. The group typically meets monthly to share information and best practices. The President of the Board of Education will appoint a member of the Bellevue Board as a representative on the MABE Board.

Mike Kinney is the current Board representative.

#### C.2. Hearing on Existing Parental Involvement in Educational Practices Policy

Board President

Nebraska statutes require the Board of Education to annually review the Parental Involvement in Educational Practices Policy. The existing policy was adopted by the Board of Education in 1995 and is reviewed annually by the Board of Education. Notice of the hearing was published in accordance with Nebraska statutes.

A copy of the existing policy and regulation, Parental Involvement in Educational Practices, is attached to the agenda.

Anyone interested in addressing the Board about the Parental Involvement in Educational Practices policy should come forward to the podium and state their name and address. Public input will be received at this time.

#### C.3. Recognition of BEA

Jeff Rippe

Attached is a letter from BEA President Deb Carlson requesting that the BEA be recognized as the exclusive collective bargaining representative for non-supervisory certificated staff for the 2017-2018 school year.

Administrative recommendation: The administration recommends approving the BEA as the exclusive collective bargaining representative for non-supervisory certificated staff for the 2017-2018 school year.

#### C.4. Tentative District Boundary Agreement

Frank Harwood

Before the Learning Community legislation was enacted, Bellevue Public Schools was able to annex parcels of Springfield Platteview Community Schools as the City of Bellevue grew. In response to the One City, One School District initiative, the Learning Community legislation froze the existing boundaries unless both Boards of Education and the Learning Community Coordinating Council agree to the change. Tonight the Board will be asked to approve a tentative agreement which sets forth a procedure to allow for future growth of the Bellevue Public Schools district boundaries.

Administrative Recommendation: The administration recommends approving the tentative boundary agreement with Springfield Platteview Community Schools as presented and authorize the Board President to sign a contract representing this agreement after review of legal counsel.

#### D. Commendations

##### D.1. Academic Decathlon - Pius X Competition

Bellevue East Academic Decathlon participated in a preliminary competition on Saturday, December 5 at Pius X. The competition was focused on four of the ten subject areas covered in Academic Decathlon this year (Science, History, Economics, and Music). At this competition students were able to compete as individuals and win medals, but the major team-level competitions don't start until January.

#### HONORS DIVISION

Kelly Speltz and Morgan Gallagher won 1st Place Gold Medals in the History of India competition, the one collaborative event at the competition. In Academic Decathlon, this event is known as the Super Quiz because it is the one competition that is public (on stage) and collaborative.

Kelly Speltz and Morgan Gallagher also tied in the individual Science (Ecology) competition, winning 1st Place Gold Medals. They also both had perfect scores on this test. We have never had a perfect test score in one of these competitions before; Morgan and Kelly both turned in perfect scores on this test.

Kelly Speltz won the 2nd Place Silver Medal in Economics. This test covered Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, International economics, and the Economics of India

Kelly Speltz also won the Gold Medal for having the highest score from Bellevue East at the competition

#### VARSIITY DIVISION

Zoe Buffinton and Nate Crouch tied and won 1st Place Gold Medals in Science (Ecology)

Nate Crouch also won the 3rd Place Bronze Medal in Economics

Annette Rhoades won the 2nd Place Silver Medal in Science

Nick Schnelker won the 3rd Place Bronze Medal in Science

Darren Binkerhoff won the 2nd Place Bronze Medal in Economics

#### E. Information Items

##### E.1. Facilities Master Plan

Jeff Rippe

In August, the Board approved a contract with Jacobs to develop a Facilities Master Plan.

This process involves a Steering Committee made up of Students, Parents, Community Members, Board Members and Staff. Tonight the Board will receive the Steering Committee's Facility Master Plan recommendations and discuss possible next steps.

#### F. Public Comment Period

Public Comment pertaining to items not otherwise on the Agenda must be submitted to the Secretary of the Board five days prior to the Board meeting. There were no items submitted for Public Comment for this meeting.

#### G. Board of Education Member Reports on Meetings They Have Attended

Learning Community - Nina Wolford

BPS Foundation - Doug Cook, Frank Kumor

MABE - Mike Kinney

Board Policy Review Work Group - Phil Davidson, Doug Cook, Mike Kinney

District Safety Committee - Doug Cook

#### H. Future Business

Nina Wolford

January 22, Bellevue East/West Boys & Girls Basketball Game at West, 5:30/7:15 p.m.

January 23, Bellevue West AFJROTC Military Ball

February 8, Board of Education Meeting, Welcome Center, 6:30 p.m.

#### I. Executive Session

Nina Wolford

Administrative Recommendation: Adjourn to Executive Session to consider matters relating to strategy sessions with respect to collective bargaining, negotiations with outside agencies, and personnel which are necessary to be considered in closed session for the protection of the public interest and for the needless injury to the reputation of an individual.