

Board of Education Meeting Agenda  
Monday, May 8, 2017 6:30 PM  
Bellevue Public Schools Welcome Center  
2600 Arboretum Drive  
Bellevue, NE 68005

A. Routine Business

A.1. Call to Order  
Phil Davidson

A.2. Roll Call  
Board Secretary

A.3. Open Meetings Law  
Phil Davidson

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  
Phil Davidson

B. Special Recognition  
Phil Davidson

B.1. National History Day

B.2. Science Olympiad

B.3. Bellevue East State EconChallenge

#### B.4. Bellevue East & Bellevue West FBLA

#### B.5. Bellevue East State Latin

### C. Consent Agenda

Phil Davidson

Administrative Recommendation: The information in sections C, E, and F were sent to all members of the Board of Education for review. The administration recommends approval by consent of the items in section C of the agenda identified with an asterisk and receipt of the information and proposals in sections E and F identified with an asterisk.

#### C.1. \*Approval of Minutes

Board Secretary

Administrative Recommendation: Approve the Minutes of the April 3, 2017, Board of Education meeting.

#### C.2. \*Treasurer's Report

Susan Brooks

Administrative Recommendation: Acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer's Report for April, 2017.

#### C.3. \*Payment of Claims

Jeff Rippe

Administrative Recommendation: Approve the payment of claims totaling \$1,856,988.10.

#### C.4. \*Election of New Teachers

Sharra Smith

Administrative Recommendation: (1) Erin Kunkle be elected to the certified staff for the 2017-18 school year effective July 1, 2017 subject to her release from any contractual agreements with other school districts and that (2) Andrew Blazek, (3) Sara Bowen, (4) Amy Dirgo, (5) Maria Fitz, (6) Naomi Gaca, (7) Shea Gonzales, (8) Stephanie Halstead, (9) Julie Hengstenberg, (10) Jeremy Henry, (11) Kelli Henry, (12) Katelyn Hodges, (13) Jennifer Huff, (14) Anna Jessick, (15) Larissa Knudson, (16) Bethany Kracl, (17) Jennifer LaMontagne, (18) Jacey O'Dell, (19) Pamela Riffle, (20) Jason Sanderson, (21) Jessica Schram, (22) Cynthia Schultz, (23) Beth Urwin (24) Charles Wright and (25) Michael Zhang be elected to the certified staff for the 2017-18 school year effective August 7, 2017 subject to their release

from any contractual agreements with other school districts.

C.5. \*Release from Contract  
Sharra Smith

Recommended action: Release (1) Allison Bergland, (2) Julie Cadwallader, (3) Crystal Cizek, (4) Brent Gehring, (5) Jennifer Gibbs, (6) Shannon Heilbrun, (7) Samantha Houston, (8) Denise Perrone, (9) Sarah Rybar, (10) David Schumacher, (11) Molly Warner and (12) Robyn Warner be released from their contracts effective May 25, 2017.

C.6. \*Request for Contract Addendum  
Sharra Smith

Recommended action: that the following amendment to the contract between Jennifer LaMontagne and the Bellevue Board of Education dated May 8, 2017, be approved: As a qualification to such contract, the employee agrees to be paid sixty percent of salary and fringe benefits for fulfilling sixty percent of the usual daily assignment. All other contractual rights and responsibilities including in-service days, counseling, PTA meetings, and parent conferences shall remain unchanged.

D. Action Items

D.1. Legal Services Contract Approval  
Phil Davidson

The Board has reviewed the contract negotiated with Pat Sullivan of Adams and Sullivan to provide legal services to Bellevue Public Schools. Tonight the contract is presented to the Board for approval.

## D.2. HVAC System - Bellevue East Ralph Gladbach

Ralph Gladbach of GP Architecture will be requesting approval from the Board to solicit Request for Qualifications for Engineering Services to select a mechanical/electrical engineering firm to start looking at the HVAC system updates for Bellevue East High School.

## D.3. Partial Roof Replacements - Bellevue West and Leonard Lawrence Ralph Gladbach

Administrative Recommendation: The administration recommends GP Architecture to solicit bids for roof replacement packages for partial roof replacements at the following buildings: Bellevue West and Leonard Lawrence.

## E. Commendations

### E.1. \*National History Day State Competition

Sara Vance, an 8th grader at Mission Middle School, recently qualified for the National History Day Contest, to be held at the University of Maryland, College Park in the Washington, D.C. area, June. At the state contest, held on April 8 at Nebraska Wesleyan University in Lincoln, Vance took first place in the Historical Paper category. Sara's entry was a paper examining the work of Dr. Susan La Flesche Picotte. Vance's entry also won the 1st Place Nebraska Press Association Award for the Junior Division as well as an honorable mention award for local, historical research from the Nebraskaland Foundation. Sara's teachers and coaches are Mr. Brent Myers and Mr. Larry Walls.

The 2017 theme for the contest was 'Taking a Stand in History'. Sara Vance joined more than half a million students globally who completed projects in one of five categories: documentary, exhibit, paper, performance, or website.

After completing a project, students compete in a series of contests beginning at the local level. The top students in all 50 states, D.C., U.S. territories and international schools are given the opportunity to attend the National Contest.

## E.2. \*2017 State Science Olympiad Tournament

BPS students from our middle schools and high schools competed at the Nebraska Science Olympiad Tournament April 22, 2017.

Congratulations to Mission Middle School on their 13th consecutive 1st place win (the 23rd consecutive year Mission has placed in the top 3), Logan Fontenelle Middle School on their 2nd place finish, Bellevue East High School on their 3rd place finish and Bellevue West High School on their 4th place finish.

The teams met in Lincoln with students from across the state competing in a variety of science, technology and engineering activities.

## E.3. \*EconChallenge State Finals

Bellevue East swept the EconChallenge State Finals on March 31st at UNL, winning both divisions. The State Champions in the Adam Smith Division (advanced division for AP and IB students) are Darren Brinkerhoff, Kelly Speltz, Morgan Gallagher (team captain), and Marina Madrigal. There were 42 teams that competed in a preliminary round in early March and 10 teams advanced to the State Finals at UNL.

The State Champions in the David Ricardo Division (for students in general economic classes) are Breck O'Grady, Andrew Sansone (team captain), Elizabeth Foral, and Michael Ermitano. There were 159 teams that competed in a preliminary round in early March and 10 advanced to the State Finals.

This is the eighth straight year that Bellevue East has won at least one of these divisions. Winning both divisions happened once before in 2011.

#### E.4. \*Bellevue East & West State FBLA Conference

The Nebraska Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) state competitive events were held at the 55th annual State Leadership Conference in Omaha on April 6-7, 2017.

More than 2,200 students and advisers from 140 Nebraska schools attended the conference with more than 71 chapter, team and individual events. Students placing first, second or third in the competitive events qualified to compete at the national conference in Anaheim, California, June 29-July 2, 2017. Bellevue East has 13 national qualifiers and Bellevue West has 19.

Congratulations to the following BPS students.

#### **Bellevue East**

1st, Client Service - Karissa Jacobsen

1st, Network Design - Nick Rutledge, Colton Patrick, Jack Hansen-Reed

1st, Sports and Entertainment Management - Jack Hansen-Reed, Joey Walther

2nd, Public Speaking I - Makenna Johannsen

2nd, Public Speaking II - Joe Werner

2nd, Social Media Campaign - Lindsay Van Ryckeghem, Matt Wittig, Joey Walther

2nd, American Enterprise Project - Lindsay Van Ryckeghem, Colton Patrick, Quiana Logans

2nd, Help Desk - Jack Hansen-Reed

3rd, Networking Concepts - Nick Rutledge

3rd, Computer Game and Simulation Programming - Nick Rutledge, Colton Patrick

3rd, Cyber Security - Nick Rutledge

3rd, Introduction to Business - Ellie Foral

3rd, Introduction to Business Presentation - Ellie Foral, Quiana Logans, Kendra Dragon

3rd, Management Information Systems - Nick Rutledge, Jack Hansen-Reed, Ayden Johnson

4th, Partnership With Business Project - Karissa Jacobsen, Matt Wittig, Jack Hansen-Reed

4th, Marketing - Lindsay Van Ryckeghem, Joey Walther, Colton Patrick

5th, Hospitality Management - Ellie Foral, Quiana Logans, Noah Hoefler

7th, Business Ethics - Ellie Foral, Makenna Johannsen, Sage Bekish

8th, Digital Video Production - Karissa Jacobsen, Joey Walther, Ryan Walter

8th, E-Business - Ryan Walther, Sage Bekish

8th, Impromptu Speaking - Chris Duron

### **Bellevue West**

1st, Reginald Wright - Advertising

1st, Jennifer Gould - Public Service Announcement

1st, Audrey Lausterer - Job Interview

2nd, Terese Navarra - Job Interview

2nd, Jackie Alexander, Alex Seigel, Trey Taggart - Partnership with Business

3rd, Kyla Jackson - Advertising

3rd, Trey Taggart - Impromptu Speaking

3rd, Madison Contreras, Allie Otto - Emerging Business Issues

3rd, Brian Lacy, Jeremiah Mejia, Jenna Swaney - Community Service

3rd, Chase Jablon, Kelsey Larsen, Ty Schiefelbein - Graphic Design

3rd, Nathan Alvarado, Andrew Burns, Jayden Levine - Marketing

4th, Brian Lacy, Audrey Lausterer - Hospitality Management

5th, Terese Navarra - Organizational Leadership

5th, Brandon Lacy - Computer Problem Solving

6th, Ty Schiefelbein - Help Desk

6th, Josh Miranda, Ty Schiefelbein - Network Design

6th, Audrey Lausterer, Christina Nguyen, Jenna Swaney - Global Business

7th, Dawsen Ragone - Sales Presentation

8th, Brian Lacy, Jeremiah Mejia, Jessica Rupp - Banking and Financial

The Bellevue West Chapter also received 2nd Place in the March of Dimes Fundraising Award (raised \$1,233.60).

#### E.5. \*State Latin Convention

Bellevue East students competed at the State Latin Convention April 22, 2017. Congratulations to the following students.

#### **Individual Awards**

- Alex Molnar: 1st 2D Art
- Marissa Arvesen: 1st Impromptu Art
- Tony Rutledge: 2nd, History/Culture Latin IV; 1st Mythology Latin IV
- Macenkize Chastain: 2nd 2D Art
- Gale Callaghan: 2nd, Reading Comprehension Latin II
- Caelum Lefevers: 2nd, Mythology Latin IV; 2nd Vocabulary Latin IV
- Korrigan Darling: 2nd, History/Culture Latin I; 3rd, Heptathlon Latin I
- Taylor Thompson: 3rd, Reading Comprehension Latin I
- Ally Webster: 3rd, Reading Comprehension Latin I
- McKenzie Mitchell: 3rd, Reading Comprehension Latin II
- Alicia Gonzalez: 3rd, Reading Comprehension Latin IV
- Abby Secrist: 3rd, Derivatives Latin I

#### **Team/School Awards**

- Latin IV Certamen (Team B) 2nd (Tony Rutledge, Alicia Gonzalez, & Alex Molnar)
- Latin II Certamen: 3rd (Luke Bishop, Gale Callaghan)

-Latin IV Certamen (Team A): 3rd (Joshua Hauer, Caelum Lefevers, & Baxter Knee)

-Latin II: 2nd Overall Academics

-Latin IV: 2nd Overall Academics

-Video: 2nd

-Club T-Shirt: 3rd

-Overall Art: 1st

-Overall Olympika: 3rd

**State officers for next year:**

-Taylor Thompson (Secretary)

-Gale Callaghan (Parliamentarian)

E.6. \*State Journalism

Bellevue East and Bellevue West High Schools competed in the Class A division of the NSAA State Journalism Championship. West senior Emma Larson placed fourth in Editorial Writing and East junior Hannah Cunningham placed fifth in Yearbook Layout.

E.7. \*UNO Academic Bowl

Bellevue West AP World History students competed at the UNO Academic Bowl on April 29, 2017. One of the Bellevue West teams took home the overall 1st place team award (against 17 teams from 6 different schools). There were 9 students receive individual medals in all of the categories of Multiple-Choice, Long-Essay, Document Based Essay, and Short-Essay. This was the first time for Bellevue West to participate in this competition.

#### E.8. \*State Quiz Bowl Tournament

Bellevue East Varsity Quiz Bowl team finished in 4th place at State on April 26th in Holdrege. Congratulations to the following students on their accomplishments: Baxter Knee (Captain), Bobby Storck, Greyson Kreis, Kelly Speltz, Sam Seaman, and Noah Sautter. David Bossman serves as their coach.

#### E.9. \*Nebraska Black History Art Contest

Leonard Lawrence student Jynesis Henderson and Two Springs Elementary student Victoria Bogatz were among this year's winners of the 2017 Nebraska Black History Art Contest.

#### E.10. \*BPS Ann Feldmann & Tech Trio Recognized for Their Work

Congratulations to Ann Feldmann, a district technology specialist for Bellevue Public Schools, on becoming an Apple Distinguished Educator (ADE)!

Apple is pleased to welcome Ann Feldmann to the ADE Class of 2017. The Apple Distinguished Educator (ADE) Program began in 1994, when Apple recognized K-12 and higher education pioneers who are using a variety of Apple products to transform teaching and learning in powerful ways. Today it has grown into a worldwide community of over 2,500 visionary educators and innovative leaders who are doing amazing things with Apple technology in and out of the classroom. Learn more about this group of innovative educators at <http://www.apple.com/education/apple-distinguished-educator>

In addition, Ann was also recognized in a recent blog post by Shaelynn Farnsworth (@shfarnsworth) as one of 21 Inspiring EdTech Women You Should Know! Learn more about how Ann and the other EdTech Women are making an impact <https://shaelynnfarnsworth.com/2017/03/17/21-inspiring-edtech-women-you-should-know/>

The #BPSNE Tech Trio (Jeff Bernadt, Jeanette Carlson, and Ann Feldmann) was featured in an Edutopia article written by Beth Holland. Holland poses a very good question...Are we truly taking advantage of all that blended learning can offer our students? Learn more in this great feature <https://www.edutopia.org/article/are-we-innovating-or-just-digitizing-traditional-teaching-beth-holland>

## E.11. \*Operation Read

Approximately 278 readers from all 15 elementary schools competed in Operation Read at the BPS Lied Activity Center on April 27th, ready to answer questions about the Golden Sower books they have been reading and studying since September. The Golden Sower books are the Nebraska children's choice award sponsored by the Nebraska Library Association.

It was Team 6 from Bellevue Elementary (Caroline Armagost, Sabrina Heckens, Eme Starbuck, Lainey Arko and Madison Eisert, and coach Ms. Bischoff) who brought home the traveling trophy at the end of the tournament. The top team from each school with the best score won Olympic-style medals.

All elementary schools were invited and could have more than one team – two per grade level (4th, 5th and 6th graders) and many were mixed grade level teams. Classroom teachers, librarians, reading teachers and paraprofessionals all helped coach teams. Students discussed the books and practiced answering questions mostly during recess and after school. Operation Read is coordinated by Terry Osborn (elementary librarian) and Kari Schroder (high school librarian).

The Bellevue Public Schools Foundation helps to support this great opportunity for students.

## F. Information Items

### F.1. Board Policy Review

Jeff Rippe

The following policies are presented for review:

407.07, Longevity-Certificated Employee - Revision

409.01, Certificated or Licensed Employee Professional Development - Revision

410.011, Certificated Employees-Vacations, Holidays, and Length of Contract - Revision

510.10, Homeless Children - Revision

605.07, Part-time Enrollment of Nonpublic School Students - Revision

These board policies are presented for review with approval scheduled for the June Board meeting.

F.2. \*Administrative Regulations Updates  
Jeff Rippe

The following Administrative Regulations are presented for review:

406.06, Certificated Employee Assignment or Transfer - Revision

409.01, Certificated or Licensed Employee Professional Development - Revision

410.011, Certificated Employees Vacations, Holidays, and Length of Contract - Delete

412.05, Classified Employee Assignment - Revision

510.10, Homeless Children - Revision

605.07, Part-time Enrollment of Nonpublic School Students - Revision

F.3. \*Outside the District Professional Continuing Contract Unit Policy  
Nicole Fox

Bellevue Public Schools offers opportunities for certified staff to earn Continuing Contract Units (CCU). These CCU's can be used for salary advancement for some approved activities that are completed outside of contract day/year.

A list of the proposed 2017-2018 Continuing Contract Unit Activities recommended for Board approval is included in the attachment.

G. 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.

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

MABE -Sarah Centineo

## I. Future Business

Phil Davidson

May 11, 2017, Bellevue East Honor's Night

May 12, 2017, Project Search Graduation

May 15, 2017, Bellevue West Honor's Night

May 16, 2017, Individual Special Education Classroom Graduation

May 17, 2017, B.E.S.T Program Graduation

May 18, 2017, Bond Oversight Committee Meeting, Bellevue West High School, 6:00 p.m.

May 24, 2017, Last Day for Students

May 25, 2017, Last Day for Staff

May 25, 2017 Baccalaureate (Bellevue East and West)

May 27, 2017, High School Graduations, 9:30 a.m.

June 5, Board of Education Meeting, Welcome Center, 6:30 p.m.

## J. Executive Session

Phil Davidson

Administrative Recommendation: Adjourn to Executive Session to consider matters relating to strategy sessions with respect to collective bargaining 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.