

Board of Education Meeting Agenda
Monday, September 8, 2014 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

Approve by consent items in section B of the Agenda identified with an asterisk.

B.1. *Approval of Minutes
Board Secretary

The attached Minutes of the August 4 Board of Education meeting were sent to all members of the Board of Education for review.

Administrative Recommendation: Approve the Minutes of the August 4 Board of Education meeting.

B.2. *Treasurer's Report
Susan Brooks

Administrative Recommendation: Acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer's Report for August, 2014.

B.3. *Payment of Claims

Jeff Rippe

Administrative Recommendation: Approve the payment of claims totaling \$3,376,365.27.

B.4. *Superintendent's Plan to Improve Student Attendance in Douglas and Sarpy Counties

Frank Harwood

In 2011 the Nebraska Legislature passed legislation requiring the superintendents of the Learning Community to develop a cooperative plan to improve student attendance in Douglas and Sarpy Counties. The plan needs to be approved every three years. Attached is the new version of this plan.

Administrative Recommendation:

The administration recommends the approval of the Superintendent's Plan to Improve Student Attendance in Douglas and Sarpy Counties.

B.5. *Release from Contract

Sharra Smith

B.6. *Election of New Teachers

Sharra Smith

C. Action Items

C.1. 2014-15 Budget Review

Frank Harwood and Susan Brooks

The decisions that went into the development of the 2014-15 budget will be reviewed as an explanation of the tax rate request being submitted tonight.

C.2. Hearing on Property Tax and Rate

Nina Wolford

Notice of the hearing was published in accordance with Nebraska statutes. The proposed property tax request and rate to be used for the 2014-2015 school year were included in the hearing notice. A copy of the notice is attached.

The proposed budget reflects the fifth year of implementation of the Learning Community Coordinating Council. The Learning Community levy that applies to local school districts is 95 cents. Based on the 2014-15 budget approved in July, the Bellevue School District is recommending 13.837 cents for the Bellevue School District general fund levy and no taxes levied for the building and site fund. This would bring the total school district levy for people living in the Bellevue Public School District to \$1.08837.

Individuals interested in making comments on the property tax request and rate will be asked to come to the podium, state their name and address, followed by their input limited to five minutes.

C.3. Resolution to Establish Property Tax Request and Rate

Nina Wolford

Adopt the following resolution to set the property tax request and rate for FY 2014-2015:

WHEREAS, the Bellevue Public Schools held a budget hearing on August 4, 2014, and

WHEREAS, a tax request and rate hearing was held on September 8, 2014, and

WHEREAS, all of the above were done for the FY 2014-2015 budget and are consistent with all state statutes:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Bellevue Board of Education of School District #1 in Sarpy County: (1) that the Bellevue Board of Education sets the 2014-2015 general fund property tax request of \$0.13837 and asks the County Board to set the tax rate of 13.837 cents accordingly consistent with state statutes.

C.4. School Resource Officer Memorandum of Understanding

Frank Harwood

Starting with 2012-13 school year, BPS and the City of Bellevue entered into an MOU for SRO services at Bellevue East and West. This MOU also includes security audits that are required for all schools. The current MOU expired this summer. The attached MOU will extend the current agreement until either party requests to terminate the agreement.

Administrative Recommendation: The administration recommends the approval of the MOU with the City of Bellevue for SRO and security audit services.

C.5. Food Service and Paraprofessional Salary Programs

Sharra Smith

A two-year salary agreement has been reached and ratified by Local 226 representation employees from both the Food Service and Paraprofessional groups.

Attached are copies of the current and proposed salary programs.

Administrative Recommendation: Approve the two-year Food Service and Paraprofessional Salary Agreement as presented.

D. Commendations

E. Information Items

E.1. K-6 Reading/Language Arts Curriculum--Spelling Program

Julee Sauer

A component of any comprehensive Reading/Language Arts (RLA) curriculum is spelling.

Tonight, the Board of Education will receive a report on the research-based spelling program in our new RLA curriculum.

E.2. Danielson Framework for Teaching: Domain 2, The Classroom Environment

Kim Bodensteiner

This year Bellevue Public Schools will begin using Charlotte Danielson's Framework for

Teaching as part of all teacher observations. Tonight, the Board of Education will be presented with an overview of the second domain of the framework that looks at the classroom environment.

E.3. Board Goals

Frank Harwood

For the last three years, the Board of Education has adopted goals for the district. Tonight strategies for continuing goals will be presented and discussed.

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

NASB Board of Directors - Nina Wolford

BPS Foundation - Doug Cook, Lisa Rybar, Frank Kumor

MABE - Cindy Copich

NASB Legislative Committee - Cindy Copich

Board Policy Review Work Group - Cindy Copich, Doug Cook, Mike Kinney

District Safety Committee - Doug Cook

H. Future Business

Nina Wolford

October 1, NASB Metro Area Membership Meeting

October 6, 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 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.