

## **THE BOARD REPORT**

### **BLAIR COMMUNITY SCHOOLS - BLAIR, NEBRASKA**

#### **WHAT HAPPENED AT THE LAST BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING?**

The Board of Education met on Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at Arbor Park Intermediate School for a Work Session in which DLR Architects gave a follow up presentation on their facility study. The Regular Board of Education meeting followed at 6:30pm. Board members present were: Herta Bouvia, Jay Anderson, Molly Dahlgren, Brandi Petersen, Jennifer Beck, Lyle Schjodt, Kari Loseke, Dave Warrick and Deb Parks.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance:**

Deerfield and West students led the board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Consideration of Communication:**

- *FBLA National Leadership Conference:*

The Board of Education approved a motion to grant permission for the FBLA National Qualifiers to attend the FBLA National Leadership Conference in Anaheim, California on June 25, 2013 with financial assistance available as per Board Policy 607.05 Administrative Guidelines for Reimbursement to Students and Staff for Attendance at National Conventions.

- *OMS Eighth Grade Band Trip:*

The Board of Education approved a motion to grant permission for the eighth grade band to travel to Des Moines, IA on Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013 to perform a concert at Adventureland as well as visit the park with parent volunteers and Ms. Kamada.

- *Humanities II – Trip to Chicago:*

The Board of Education approved a motion to grant permission for the Humanities II students to participate in a trip to Chicago from June 14-June 17, 2013.

#### **611.05 Grading Guidelines:**

The Board of Education approved a motion to approve on first and final notification revised policy 611.05 Grading Guidelines to reflect current district practices.

#### **406.02 Certificated Employee Qualifications, Recruitment, Selection:**

The Board of Education approved a motion to approve on first and final notification revised policy 406.02 Certificated Employee Qualifications, Recruitment, Selection to reflect current district practices.

#### **7<sup>th</sup> Grade Interscholastic Volleyball:**

The Board of Education tabled a motion to approve adding 7<sup>th</sup> grade interscholastic volleyball beginning in the 2014-15 school year. This motion will be revisited at the June meeting.

#### **K-12 Handbook Changes:**

The Board of Education approved a motion to accept the K-12 handbook changes as presented for the 2013-14 school year.

#### **New HVAC System – BHS Auditorium:**

The Board of Education approved a motion to accept the low bid from Grunwald Construction for a price not to exceed \$608,808.

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**Student Fees Schedule:**

The Board of Education approved a motion to authorize Administration to prepare and send out requests for proposals (RFP's) for the Food Service program.

**Approval of New Teachers:**

The Board of Education approved a motion to accept the following new teachers for the 2013-14 school year:

- \* Brian Sandall, BHS - Math
- \* Jessica Cole, District Psychologist
- \* Jill Petersen, BHS - Agricultural Education/FFA
- \* Alaina Faulconer, OMS/BHS - Math
- \* Christopher Whitwer, OMS - Social Studies
- \* Brianne Kethan, K-12 - Special Education

**Approval of Retirement:**

The Board of Education approved a motion to accept the retirement of Leslie North at the conclusion of the 2012-13 school year.

**Student Achievement:**

Mr. Janssen, Principal of Arbor Park Intermediate School presented data as to the IXL and Accelerated Reader programs that are currently being utilized with students in grades 4 and 5.

**Superintendent Report:**

- Honor Band Festival
- Retreat Dates

**Meeting Adjourned:**

The Board of Education meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m. The next Board of Education meeting will be held at Arbor Park on Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2013. The topic of the work session will be announced prior to the meeting.

Mr. Rex Pfeil



Superintendent of Schools