# <u>Agenda</u>

#### 1. Call to Order

Information concerning the Open Meeting Law, Chapter 84, Article 14 of Nebraska State Statutes, is posted on the bulletin board in this room.

- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance

Otte Middle School students, from Mrs. Fowler's class, will lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

- Jade Thompson
- Brilynn Bentley
- Jaiden Greenwell
- Jason Philby
- Logan Ostby
- Rhiannon Muschall

# 4. Organization of the Board of Education

The following board leadership positions will be voted upon at this time:

- President
- Vice-President

Approval of offices and appointments:

- **Secretary -** Angie Conety
- Treasurer Leslie Watts
- School Attorney Edmond Talbot, III
- School Physician Dr. John Simonson
- Official Newspaper Blair Enterprise
- Bank Depository Washington County Bank
- Truant Officer Washington County Sheriff/Blair Police Department
- 5. Approval of Emergency Additions to the Agenda
- 6. Consent Agenda
  - 6.1. Call for Removal of Consent Agenda Items
  - 6.2. Approval of Consent Agenda
    - 6.2.1. Waiver of reading minutes from previous meeting

- 6.2.2. Acceptance of minutes of the previous meeting as published
- 6.2.3. Receipt of Communications
- 6.2.4. Treasurer's Report
- 6.2.5. Audit of Claims

#### 7. Business

- 7.1. Items removed from Consent Agenda
- 7.2. Recognitions
- 7.3. Acceptance of Gifts
  - 7.3.1. Otte Middle School Band Boosters

The Otte Middle School Band Boosters would like to donate the following 12 marching drums to the Middle School band program:

- 6 13" Snare Drums with Carrier
- 1 Quads with Carrier
- 1 16" Bass Drum with Carrier
- 1 18" Bass Drum with Carrier
- 1 20" Bass Drum with Carrier
- 1 22" Bass Drum with Carrier
- 1 24" Bass Drum with Carrier

Total value of marching drums = \$6,626.00.

- 7.4. Consideration of Communications
  - 7.4.1. Blair Wrestling Club

Communication for Board consideration and possible action:

1. **Blair Wrestling Club:** Eric Dolezal, Club President, is requesting permission to use the Blair High School Auxiliary Gym and Main Gym for a youth wrestling tournament on February 27-28, 2016. This is a Sunday facility usage request and requires Board approval.

#### 7.5. 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:

- 1. Getting started: When you have been recognized, please stand and state your name.
- 2. Time Limit: You may speak only one time and must limit your comments to 5 minutes or less.

- 3. 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.
- 4. 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.
- 5. No action by the Board: The Board will not act on any matter unless it is on the published agenda.

# 7.6. Committee Reports

# 7.6.1. Policy Committee

The Policy Committee did not meet in December 2015.

## 7.6.2. Curriculum Committee

The Curriculum Committee did not meet in December 2015.

## 7.6.3. BG&T Committee

The Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation Committee did not meet in December 2015.

## 7.6.4. Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Tuesday, January 5, 2016. Meeting minutes are attached.

# 7.7. Math Curriculum Adoption

Dr. Ladwig is requesting Board approval for the adoption of the recommended Math Curriculum for the 2016-2017 school year. Finalized numbers were shared with the Curriculum Committee on January 4, 2016 through email and the Finance Committee on January 5, 2016 at the monthly meeting.

- 7.8. Approval of New Teachers
- 7.9. Acceptance of Resignations

## 7.10. Informational Items

1. Lyle Schjodt has purchased a health insurance policy through the Blair Community Schools Blue Cross/Blue Shield insurance program. This information is to be reported quarterly, as required by state statute 79-506.

## 7.11. 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.

The Board will enter into Closed Session for the protection of public interest on the discussion of and for the 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.

- 7.12. Items From Closed Session
- 8. Adjournment