<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

Mr. Lyle Schjodt, Board President, will call the Board of Education Regular meeting to order.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. Chris Stogdill, Principal of Otte-Blair Middle School, will introduce 6th Grade student Taryn Bellamy and 8th Grade student Ryan Ray, who will lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

- 4. Approval of Emergency Additions to the Agenda
- 5. Consent Agenda
 - 5.1. Call for Removal of Consent Agenda Items
 - 5.2. Approval of Consent Agenda
 - 5.2.1. Waiver of reading minutes from previous meeting
 - 5.2.2. Acceptance of minutes of the previous meeting as published
 - 5.2.3. Receipt of Communications
 - 5.2.4. Treasurer's Report
 - 5.2.5. Audit of Claims

6. Business

- 6.1. Items removed from Consent Agenda
- 6.2. Recognitions
- 6.3. Acceptance of Gifts
 - 6.3.1. CF Industries

Mr. Buddy Fausett, Manager of CF Industries, will present mini grant awards totaling \$3,545 to the following teachers:

- 1. Todd Wick
- 2. Ann Kobs
- 3. Krissy Anderson
- 4. Peggy Rutcosky
- 5. Julia Vogel
- 6. Tracy Bye

- 7. Carol Nickerson
- 8. Jill Hensley
- 9. Jennifer Chikos

The goal of the CF Industries Classroom Minigrant Program is to support local education and improve agricultural and environmental literacy.

6.3.2. The Blair Wrestling Club

The Blair Community Schools Foundation is donating \$2,500 on behalf of the Blair Wrestling Club to cover expenses of the BHS Wrestling team for the Flatwater Fracas Wrestling Tournament in Grand Island.

6.4. Consideration of Communications

6.4.1. OBMS 8th Grade Band

A letter has been received from Dr. Stogdill, Principal of Otte-Blair Middle School, requesting permission for the 8th Grade Band to take a daylong trip to Adventureland in Des Moines, Iowa on Monday, June 4, 2018. The students will perform a concert in the park and will spend the rest of the day at the park under the supervision of the band director and parent volunteers. No district funds are being requested for this event.

6.5. 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.

6.6. Committee Reports

6.6.1. Policy Committee

The Policy Committee met on Monday, November 27, 2017. Meeting minutes are attached. Item from this committee for proposed Board action:

• to approve on second and final notification revisions to policies 204.07-Meeting Notice, 204.10-Agenda, 204.10R1-Agenda Procedures, and 706.04-Vendor Relations.

6.6.2. Curriculum Committee

The Curriculum Committee met on Wednesday, November 29, 2017. Meeting minutes are attached.

Item from this committee for proposed Board action:

• to adopt the revised Nebraska Department of Education state Science standards as previously approved by the Nebraska State Board of Education.

6.6.3. BG&T Committee

The Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation Committee met on Thursday, November 30, 2017. Meeting minutes are attached.

6.6.4. Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Tuesday, December 5, 2017. Meeting minutes are attached. Item from this committee for proposed Board action:

• to accept the 2016-17 Audited Financial Statements and Audit Report from the Dana F. Cole & Company, LLP as presented.

6.7. Acceptance of Resignations

A resignation has been received from Certified Staff member, Brandon Skocz (6-12 Speech/Language Pathologist), effective December 11, 2017.

6.8. Approval of New Teachers

Approval of Certified Staff: Mindy Otte, Speech/Language Pathologist

6.9 Informational Items

- 1. Superintendent Search Process December 13 NASB Visit to Blair
- 2. Principal Reports
- 3. General Information from the Superintendent

6.10. 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.

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

7. Adjournment