

Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, June 11, 2018 6:00 PM
Dundy County Stratton High School
400 9th Avenue West
Benkelman, Nebraska 69021

1. Opening Procedures

Procedural Item

1.A. Call to order

Action Item

1.B. Roll Call

Action Item

2. Open meetings law

Action Item

1. The Board of Education reserves the right to enter into Closed/Executive Session for 1) the protection of public interest or 2) the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual, and the individual has not requested a public meeting. When making a motion to enter into Closed/Executive Session, the member making such a request should be as specific as possible keeping the previously listed stipulation in consideration.
2. If the Board is in agreement, a motion maybe to enter into Closed/Executive Session to 1) discuss a personnel matter, or 2) for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individual, or 3) to discuss litigation and for the protection of the public interest.
3. Action concerning matters discussed in Closed/Executive Session will be acted upon in open session

3. Awards and Recognitions

Action Item

4. Public comment

Information Item

Welcome to the Dundy County Stratton Public Schools Board of Education Meeting. The Board welcomes citizens to attend board meetings to become acquainted with the programs and operations of the district. Members of the public are also encouraged to share their ideas and opinions with the Board during the agenda item labeled “Public Items”. Comments or questions from the audience at any other time during the meeting except for the agenda item “Public Items” will out of necessity be declared out of order.

The Nebraska Open Meetings Act prevents the board from speaking to a matter that is not on the agenda. Please understand that the board may be unable to address your issue during the meeting. It is not permissible for the board to comment on items not listed for the protection of the public’s right to know and participate in the discussion of items that do come before the board and stated appropriately in the meeting agenda.

During this agenda item “Public Items” we ask that you abide by the following rules:

Public Comment Protocol and Procedures

1. Anyone wishing to speak to the board on specific agenda items or on other topics relevant to board business must complete a Public Comment Request Card and submit it to the Board President prior to the opening of the meeting. The public will only be recognized and their comments heard at Item “Public Items” on the board agenda. The total time allotted for the public comment will not exceed thirty minutes and each member of the public will be allotted not more than five minutes to address the Board. If a group wishes to speak, please designate one spokesperson for the group.
2. Please state your name and the topic you are addressing before you begin.
3. Speakers are asked to direct their questions and comments to the chair. A member of the Board of Education or the Superintendent may direct clarifying questions to the chair, but the board will not under any circumstance enter into a debate with any the member of the public.
4. Speakers may offer objective criticism of district operations and programs, but the Board would encourage members of the public to address complaints concerning individual

district personnel through the proper chain of command. The chair may direct the member of the public to the appropriate means to address concerns brought before the Board; however, the board will not respond with action but will take comments under advisement and direct the comments to the appropriate staff member to address outside of the board meeting.

5. Please remember that is a public meeting for the conduct of business of the Dundy County Stratton Public School District. Offensive language, personal attacks and hostile conduct will not be tolerated. You should further be advised that there is no legal protection for any comments that are made.
6. As stated in **NEB. REV. STAT. § 79-570 Class I, II, III, IV, or VI school district; president; meetings; maintenance of order.**

If any district meeting of a Class I, II, III, IV, or VI school district any person conducts himself or herself in a disorderly manner and persists in such conduct after notice by the president or person presiding, the president or person presiding may order such person to withdraw from the meeting and, if the person refuses, may order any person or persons to take such person into custody until the meeting is adjourned.

7. As stated in **NEB. REV. STAT. § 79-571 Class I, II, III, IV, or VI school district; meetings; disorderly conduct; penalty.**

Any person who refuses to withdraw from such meeting on being so ordered as provided in section 79-570 or who willfully disturbs such meeting shall be guilty of a Class V misdemeanor.

5. Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda

Motion to move item(s) _____ from the consent agenda to the business agenda Passed with a motion by Kevin League and a second by Mike Blecha.

Amy Haines:	Nay
Brad Baney:	Yea
Mike Blecha:	Yea
Jason Frederick:	Yea
Craig Kerchal:	Yea
Kevin League:	Yea
Kent Lorens:	Yea
Sandy Noffsinger:	Yea

Shad Stamm: Yea

Motion to approve the consent agenda Passed with a motion by Kevin League and a second by Mike Blecha.

Amy Haines: Nay

Brad Baney: Yea

Mike Blecha: Yea

Jason Frederick: Yea

Craig Kerchal: Yea

Kevin League: Yea

Kent Lorens: Yea

Sandy Noffsinger: Yea

Shad Stamm: Yea

5.A. Verification of publication and notice

Consent Item

To verify that notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Benkelman Post, a legal newspaper for Dundy County Stratton and by written notice to each member of the board, the designated method of giving notice

5.B. Adoption of the agenda

Consent Item

To adopt the agenda of this meeting. The board reserves the right to change the order of items within the agenda.

5.C. Approval of the minutes

Consent Item

5.D. Payment of the bills

Consent Item

5.E. Teacher contract

Consent Item

We have extended a contract offer to Becky Brown for the the pre-school position. Becky has served as the aide in the classroom for the past few years and is familiar with how a successful program is run.

6. Business Meeting

Action Item

6.A. Financial Report

Action Item

Presentation of the financial status of the district, balances in various funds, recent/impending activity therein, anticipated expenses and planning for future considerations.

Motion to approve the financial report as presented Passed with a motion by Jason Frederick and a second by Kevin League.

Brad Baney:	Yea
Mike Blecha:	Yea
Jason Frederick:	Yea
Amy Haines:	Yea
Craig Kerchal:	Yea
Kevin League:	Yea
Kent Lorens:	Yea
Sandy Noffsinger:	Yea
Shad Stamm:	Yea

6.B. TERIP Policy second reading

Action Item

Motion to approve Policy 4058 Early Separation Incentive Agreement second reading
Passed with a motion by Craig Kerchal and a second by Kent Lorens.

Brad Baney:	Yea
Mike Blecha:	Yea
Jason Frederick:	Yea
Amy Haines:	Yea
Craig Kerchal:	Yea
Kevin League:	Yea
Kent Lorens:	Yea
Sandy Noffsinger:	Yea
Shad Stamm:	Yea

6.C. NASB information

Information Item

Attached is the flyer from NASB

6.D. NASB legislative proposals

Action Item

Any proposals from the membership are due to NASB on July 1. If the board would like to add any to their list this is the time and place.

Motion to submit to NASB requesting that land funds generated from the districts remain in the district that generated the money. Passed with a motion by Kent Lorens and a second by Mike Blecha.

Mike Blecha:	Yea
Jason Frederick:	Yea
Amy Haines:	Yea
Craig Kerchal:	Yea

Kevin League: Yea
Kent Lorens: Yea
Sandy Noffsinger: Yea
Shad Stamm: Yea

Motion to submit a form or state aide on per pupil basis. Passed with a motion by Mike Blecha and a second by Kent Lorens.

Mike Blecha: Yea
Jason Frederick: Yea
Amy Haines: Yea
Craig Kerchal: Yea
Kevin League: Yea
Kent Lorens: Yea
Sandy Noffsinger: Yea
Shad Stamm: Yea

6.E. Summer policy updates

Action Item

The Annual Update Memo attached to this agenda item explains each of the policy revisions that legal counsel has written. There are a couple where you will have decisions to make. Remember, this is first reading and our policy changes take two readings. Changes made at the meeting where final reading is being considered by the board will result in another reading of the policy.

6.E.1. Adoption of new policies

Action Item

Motion to approve new policies 3048 Communicable Diseases, 3049 Drones and Unmanned Aircraft, 3050 Technology in the Classroom and 6036 Reading Instruction and Intervention Services as presented Passed with a motion by Craig Kerchal and a second by Mike Blecha.

Mike Blecha: Yea
Jason Frederick: Yea
Amy Haines: Yea

Craig Kerchal: Yea
Kevin League: Yea
Kent Lorens: Yea
Sandy Noffsinger: Yea
Shad Stamm: Yea

6.E.2. Delete old policies

Action Item

Motion to delete 4047 Implementation of Students Assistance Team and 5027 Sexual Harassment of Students by Other Students as recommended by legal counsel. 5027 is being deleted only because it is merged with policy # 5026. Passed with a motion by Mike Blecha and a second by Craig Kerchal.

Mike Blecha: Yea
Jason Frederick: Yea
Amy Haines: Yea
Craig Kerchal: Yea
Kevin League: Yea
Kent Lorens: Yea
Sandy Noffsinger: Yea
Shad Stamm: Yea

6.E.3. Policy revisions

Action Item

Motion to approve revised policies 2002 Organization of the Board, 2006 Complaint Procedure, 2007 Expense Reimbursement and Miscellaneous Expenditures, 2013 Violation of Board Ethics, 3020 Copyright Compliance, 3022 Volunteers, 3023 Record Management and Retention, 3025 Returned and Outstanding Checks, 3040 School Safety and Security, 3047 Data Breach and Response, 4012 Staff Internet and Computer Use, 4013 Grievance Procedure, 4014 Employment Related Sexual Harassment, 5008 Pregnant and Parenting Students, 5017 Routine Directory Information, 5026 Sex Discrimination and Sexual Harassment of Students, 5035 Student Discipline, 5037 Student Internet and Computer Access, 5049 Student Fees, 5054 Student Bullying, 5057 District Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy,

5062 Lice and Nits, 6021 District Criteria for Selecting Evaluators to be used for Special Education Evaluation and Verification and Independent Educational Evaluators, 6027 Field Trips and 6031 Emergency Exclusion Passed with a motion by Craig Kerchal and a second by Mike Blecha.

Mike Blecha: Yea
Jason Frederick: Yea
Amy Haines: Yea
Craig Kerchal: Yea
Kevin League: Yea
Kent Lorens: Yea
Sandy Noffsinger: Yea
Shad Stamm: Yea

6.F. Stratton Elementary staffing

Information Item

Mr. Rotherham and I will update the board on staffing plans for Stratton Elementary.

6.G. Administrative negotiations

Action Item

This agenda item is intended to allow the board to take all necessary action regarding administrative compensation and contract language. Both principals are currently under contract through the 2018-2019 school year. The superintendent contract added a year in December 2017 and is for the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 school years.

You set administrator compensation annually in June. I will present recommendations for the principals at the meeting.

6.G.1. Enter into executive session

Action Item

President to read this statement after the motion passes:

The board has adopted a motion to enter closed session to discuss the

negotiations because it is in the school district's best interest, to prevent needless injury to someone's reputation and and the public's best interest to discuss this in closed session The board will limit its discussion to this issue.

Motion for the board to enter closed session at 7:01 pm to discuss administrative negotiations because it is in the school district's interest, to prevent needless injury to someone's reputation and the public's best interest to discuss this in closed session.

Passed with a motion by Mike Blecha and a second by Craig Kerchal.

Mike Blecha:	Yea
Jason Frederick:	Yea
Amy Haines:	Yea
Craig Kerchal:	Yea
Kevin League:	Yea
Kent Lorens:	Yea
Sandy Noffsinger:	Yea
Shad Stamm:	Yea

6.G.2. Exit executive session

Action Item

Upon conclusion of the executive session the board president declares the board out of executive session and reaffirms that the board limited it's discussion to administrative negotiations

Motion to resume open session at 7:44 pm MT Passed with a motion by Mike Blecha and a second by Craig Kerchal.

Mike Blecha:	Yea
Jason Frederick:	Yea
Amy Haines:	Yea
Craig Kerchal:	Yea
Kevin League:	Yea
Kent Lorens:	Yea
Sandy Noffsinger:	Yea
Shad Stamm:	Yea

6.G.3. Consideration of administrative contracts

Action Item

Motion to approve the principals compensation as presented. Passed with a motion by Mike Blecha and a second by Kevin League.

Mike Blecha:	Yea
Jason Frederick:	Yea
Amy Haines:	Yea
Craig Kerchal:	Yea
Kevin League:	Yea
Kent Lorens:	Yea
Sandy Noffsinger:	Yea
Shad Stamm:	Yea

7. Reports

Action Item

Motion to approved sup compensation and contact with changes to the sick leave within the contract. Passed with a motion by Mike Blecha and a second by Craig Kerchal.

Amy Haines:	Nay
Mike Blecha:	Yea
Jason Frederick:	Yea
Craig Kerchal:	Yea
Kevin League:	Yea
Kent Lorens:	Yea
Sandy Noffsinger:	Yea
Shad Stamm:	Yea

7.A. Technology report

Information Item

7.B. Elementary principal report

Information Item

7.C. Secondary principal report

Information Item

7.D. Transportation report

Information Item

7.E. Superintendent report

Information Item

7.F. Board and committee reports

Information Item

7.F.1. Board information

Information Item

7.F.2. Finance/Budget/Legislation committee

Information Item

7.F.3. Transportation/Facilities/Grounds committee

Information Item

7.F.4. Curriculum/Activities/Staff Development committee

Information Item

7.F.5. Americanism committee

Information Item

7.F.6. Negotiations committee

Information Item

8. Excuse absent member(s)

Action Item

Motion to excuse Brad Baney from the June 11, 2018 BOE meeting. Passed with a motion by Kevin League and a second by Craig Kerchal.

Mike Blecha: Yea
Jason Frederick: Yea
Amy Haines: Yea
Craig Kerchal: Yea
Kevin League: Yea
Kent Lorens: Yea
Sandy Noffsinger: Yea
Shad Stamm: Yea

9. Adjourn

Information Item

Motion to adjourn at 8:00 pm MT. Passed with a motion by Craig Kerchal and a second by Kevin League.

Mike Blecha: Yea
Jason Frederick: Yea
Amy Haines: Yea
Craig Kerchal: Yea
Kevin League: Yea
Kent Lorens: Yea
Sandy Noffsinger: Yea
Shad Stamm: Yea