

Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, March 11, 2019 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

1.C. Pledge of Allegiance

Procedural 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 approve the consent agenda Passed with a motion by Craig Kerchal and a second by Jason Frederick.

Brad Baney: Yea

Jason Frederick: Yea

Steve Guernsey: Yea
Craig Kerchal: Yea
Nick Ladenburger: Yea
Kent Lorens: Yea
Toby Marlin: Yea
Sandy Noffsinger: Yea
Shad Stamm: Yea

Motion to approve the consent agenda Passed with a motion by Craig Kerchal and a second by Kent Lorens.

Brad Baney: Yea
Jason Frederick: Yea
Steve Guernsey: Yea
Craig Kerchal: Yea
Nick Ladenburger: Yea
Kent Lorens: Yea
Toby Marlin: 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 Dund County Stratton and by written notice to each member of the board, the designated method of giving notice

5.B. Approval of the minutes

Consent Item

5.C. Payment of the bills

Consent Item

5.D. New teacher contracts

Consent Item

We have offered three contracts to teachers for the 2019-2020 school year

5.D.1. Social Studies position

Consent Item

We have offered the social studies position to Brandon Zetocha. Brandon is from Wahoo, graduated from UNL and student taught at Mead High School. Mead is a C1 school that like us uses the Marzano Instructional Framework. He is very highly recommended and we look forward to having Mr. Zetocha join our staff.

5.D.2. Math teacher

Consent Item

We have offered Dan Schroer a contract for the math teaching position for 2019-2020. Dan is student teaching at Overton High School, a graduate of UNK and hails from Lawrence, NE. During his college days he kind of adopted Axtell as a second home and worked around there a lot. Mr. Schroer 'd recommendations are excellent and we look forward to having him on our staff.

5.D.3. English teacher

Consent Item

We have extended a contract offer to Taylor Lutz to fill the English position for the 2019-2020 school year. Taylor is one of our alumni and a graduate of Nebraska Wesleyan. Taylor student taught here and then spent two years on our staff. Taylor comes back to us from Wray schools and has had some good experiences in her time in other systems. We are excited to have Taylor rejoin the staff.

5.E. Teacher resignation and early incentive buyout approval

Consent Item

Peggy Parker has submitted her resignation and applied for the early separation incentive program.

6. Business Meeting

Action Item

6.A. Financial Report without Hitchcock County Taxes

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 Craig Kerchal and a second by Nick Ladenburger.

Brad Baney:	Yea
Jason Frederick:	Yea
Steve Guernsey:	Yea
Craig Kerchal:	Yea
Nick Ladenburger:	Yea
Kent Lorens:	Yea
Toby Marlin:	Yea
Sandy Noffsinger:	Yea
Shad Stamm:	Yea

6.B. NASB information

Action Item

An opportunity to discuss NASB issues as a board.

6.C. Legislation

Action Item

We will see what has happened on the legislation front to discuss at the meeting

6.D. Student Wellness Policy (5052) review

Action Item

We are required to review this policy every 3 years. This is year two with this policy but we are scheduled for a review by NDE this year so we are doing it a year early.

Motion to approve the wellness policy. Passed with a motion by Sandy Noffsinger and a second by Craig Kerchal.

Brad Baney: Yea
Jason Frederick: Yea
Steve Guernsey: Yea
Craig Kerchal: Yea
Nick Ladenburger: Yea
Kent Lorens: Yea
Toby Marlin: Yea
Sandy Noffsinger: Yea
Shad Stamm: Yea

6.E. Bus purchase approval

Action Item

We have multiple bids for your consideration. One of the companies is bidding a 53 passenger as well as the 47/48. That intrigues me for the Haigler route.

Bus bid summary

Year	Brand	Cap	Engine	Trans	Brakes/Susp	Tires	Fuel tank	Mileage	Price *	Air	Seatb
2017	BB	48 Pass	6.7/220	Auto 5	Hydraulic	10R22.5	60 gal	13400	\$ 67,200.00	NA	Inc
2020	Int	53 Pass	6.7/240	Auto 7	Hydraulic	11R22.5	60 gal	<500	\$ 80,700.00	NA	NA
2020	Int	47 Pass	6.7/240	Auto 7	Hydraulic	11R22.5	65 gal	New	\$ 81,560.00	\$ 1,050	12280
2020	BB	48 Pass	6.7/220	Auto 5	Hydraulic	11R22.5	60 gal	New	\$ 81,839.00	\$ 2,360	1000

2020 Thom 47 Pass 6.7/220 Auto 6 Hydraulic 11R22.5 65 gal New \$ 80,700.00 \$ 2,140 8300 3

* Price includes hydraulic brakes, internal and external storage, their largest engine and fuel tank and delivery here. It does not include seatbelts and air.

Motion accept the bid from Cornhusker International in the amount of \$82,035 for the purchase of a 2020, 47 passenger International route bus. Passed with a motion by Sandy Noffsinger and a second by Craig Kerchal.

Brad Baney: Yea
Jason Frederick: Yea
Steve Guernsey: Yea
Craig Kerchal: Yea
Nick Ladenburger: Yea
Kent Lorens: Yea
Toby Marlin: Yea
Sandy Noffsinger: Yea
Shad Stamm: Yea

6.F. Insurance

Action Item

We last bid our property/liability insurance ins 2012. We may want to look at that again.

6.G. Staffing 2019-2020

Action Item

We may have some staffing items to discuss. Executive session may be needed.

6.H. Principal compensation

Action Item

I would recommend that we not wait until June to do Principal compensation for 2019-2020.

Motion to enter into executive session at 7:03 PM to discuss principal compensation.

Passed with a motion by Craig Kerchal and a second by Sandy Noffsinger.

Brad Baney: Yea

Jason Frederick: Yea
Steve Guernsey: Yea
Craig Kerchal: Yea
Nick Ladenburger: Yea
Kent Lorens: Yea
Toby Marlin: Yea
Sandy Noffsinger: Yea
Shad Stamm: Yea

Motion to enter regular session at 7:40 Passed with a motion by Steve Guernsey and a second by Craig Kerchal.

Brad Baney: Yea
Jason Frederick: Yea
Steve Guernsey: Yea
Craig Kerchal: Yea
Nick Ladenburger: Yea
Kent Lorens: Yea
Toby Marlin: Yea
Sandy Noffsinger: Yea
Shad Stamm: Yea

Motion to approve principal compensation packages as presented Passed with a motion by Jason Frederick and a second by Brad Baney.

Brad Baney: Yea
Jason Frederick: Yea
Steve Guernsey: Yea
Craig Kerchal: Yea
Nick Ladenburger: Yea
Kent Lorens: Yea
Toby Marlin: Yea
Sandy Noffsinger: Yea
Shad Stamm: Yea

7. Reports

Action Item

7.A. Technology report

Information Item

7.B. Parent Teacher conferences

Parent

Teacher conferences will be held at Benkelman and Stratton Elementary Wednesday March 13th and Thursday March 14th from 2:00-6:00 pm.

New Doorknobs

ADA

compliant doorknobs were installed in Benkelman and Stratton Elementary buildings.

D.A.R.E.

The 5th grade students in Benkelman have started the D.A.R.E program. *D.A.R.E.* curricula address drugs, violence, bullying, internet safety, and other high-risk circumstances. Thank you to Morgan Burrell of the Dundy County Sheriff Department for his time teaching this program.

Spelling Bee

On February

27th grades 5th - 8th from Benkelman and Stratton Elementary participated in the annual spelling bee at Benkelman Elementary. Congratulations to Lizbeth Cardoza 1st place and Maxine Hill 2nd place winners.

YMCA trip

Stratton

Elementary went to the YMCA February 27th for their school wide fieldtrip.

Information Item

7.C. Secondary Principal Report

Information Item

- NSCAS/ACT test preparations continue with the Science, Math, and Language Arts instructors. Various resources for ACT prep including John Baylor, NDE website, and sample tests/questions. Some sessions of the NSCAS test may occur at the end of this month with the main ACT date for the juniors to be April 2nd.

- Planning for next year's master schedule has begun as we near the end of the hiring cycle.
- Approximately 20-30 students are planning to participate in the Inter-High Contests at McCook and North Platte. The contests include many academic areas with potential scholarships being awarded.
- Job Shadow Day at the Dundy County Hospital will occur this month with about 10-15 students planning to participate.
- Annual staff evaluations are being conducted.
- Parent Teacher Conferences will be this Wednesday & Thursday from 2-6pm.

7.D. Transportation report

Information Item

7.E. Superintendent report

Information Item

1. **Legislature:** Hearings are over and debate is full swing. I try to send you any updates I receive that you do not (NRCSA and NCSA).

7.F. Board and committee reports

Information Item

7.F.1. Board information

Information Item

Board information March 2019

1. **Upcoming board workshops:** There is a lot of stuff for you to potentially attend coming up. Let Crissy know if you wish to be signed up.

Mar. 22/23 NRCSA Spring Conference

2. **Legislation:** I am trying to forward you more information on legislation as I get it.

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

9. Adjourn

Information Item

Motion to Adjourn at 7:46 Passed with a motion by Craig Kerchal and a second by Toby Marlin.

Brad Baney:	Yea
Jason Frederick:	Yea
Steve Guernsey:	Yea
Craig Kerchal:	Yea
Nick Ladenburger:	Yea
Kent Lorens:	Yea
Toby Marlin:	Yea
Sandy Noffsinger:	Yea
Shad Stamm:	Yea