

**Homer Community School District**  
Board of Education Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, October 11th, 2023  
8pm - Library

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- 1. Call Meeting to Order and Notification of Open Meeting Law**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Approval of the Agenda and Changes to the Agenda**
- 4. Consent Agenda**
  - a. Approval of the minutes from the September 11<sup>th</sup> budget hearing, September 11<sup>th</sup> tax request hearing, and September 11<sup>th</sup> regular meeting
  - b. Approve claims and accounts
  - c. Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve all items presented on the Consent Agenda
- 5. Closed session – personnel**
- 6. Audiences**
  - a. Bryan Flansburg – 1<sup>st</sup> Student Transportation
  - b. Keely Purcell – Native American student support
- 7. Communications/Discussion**
  - a. Public Comment (See Procedures for Public Comment.)
  - b. Reports
- 8. Discussion**
  - a. Facility update
- 9. Discussion/Action items**
  - a. LB 414
  - b. Board/District Goals and Priorities
- 10. Closed session – negotiations**
- 11. Next Meetings**
- 12. Adjournment**

**NOTICES:**

**COPY OF OPEN MEETINGS ACT:** The Board of Education makes available at least one current copy of the Open Meetings Act posted in the meeting room at a location accessible to members of the public.

**CHANGES TO ORDER OF AGENDA:** The Board will generally follow the sequence of the published agenda, but may change the order of items when appropriate and may elect to take action on any of the items listed.

**PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Getting Started: When you have been recognized, please stand and state your name.

Time Limit: You may speak only one time and must limit your comments to 5 minutes or less. The total time allotted for Public Comment is 30 minutes.

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 that such concerns initially be directed to the administration for consideration. Board members will generally not respond to any questions you ask or comments you may make about individual staff members or students. You are cautioned that slanderous comments are not protected just because they are made at a Board meeting.

General Rules: Please remember that this is a public meeting for the conduct of the business of the Board of Education. Offensive language, personal attacks and hostile conduct will not be tolerated.

**RECORDING OF MEETINGS:** The recording of open sessions of Board of Education meetings by the public is permissible according to section 84-1412 (Meetings of public body; rights of public; public body; powers and duties) of Nebraska law. Any public body may make and enforce reasonable rules and regulations regarding the recording of meetings. In accordance with section 84-1410, the recording of closed sessions is not permissible.

Board Policy 204.12 and Administrative Regulation 204.12R describe how members of the public may participate in Board of Education meetings and use recording devices. The recording of any part of Board of Education meetings is permissible, except for closed sessions. No recording, other than note taking, shall be done without informing the president in advance. The president has the right to control the placement of the recording device so the device does not obstruct the view of board members or other members of the public attending the meeting and does not otherwise interfere with the meeting.

**CLOSED SESSION:** The Board may go into closed session for the protection of public interest or prevention of needless harm to an individual.

## Annotated Agenda

### Closed Session – personnel

#### Audiences

##### Bryan Flansburg – 1<sup>st</sup> Student Transportation

- Bryan is the location manager at the South Sioux City location. He will share information and address concerns regarding staffing, bus safety, and consistency of service.
- Communication has been established and information shared with BJ Bus Service in Scotland, South Dakota. This is the last year of a 3-year contract with First Student.
- South Sioux City is in the last year of their contract with 1<sup>st</sup> Student. Their business manager told me they are going to put their service out for bid.

Keely Purcell – Native American student support. Mrs. Purcell has an elementary student attending Homer.

#### Communications

##### Public Comment

##### Reports

Principals – **will be forwarded**

Superintendent - **enclosed**

- **Enclosed** is enrollment, attendance, and student mobility information as of September 30th.
- Eight sponsors have committed to the digital scoreboards/message boards project. Five of the sponsors are at the \$4,000 level and three sponsors are at the \$2,000 level. The commitment is for five years. Five other sponsors have committed but have not decided on the commitment level. The lease payment is \$37,000 for five years.
- I visited with Denny Wentz at Sioux City Ford regarding the availability of nine passenger all wheel drive vans. He said they have six ordered and will only be able to fill two of those ordered for 2024. He said the earliest availability will be 2025, and more likely 2026.
- On September 27<sup>th</sup> the Nebraska Department of Education conducted their annual safety audit. **Enclosed** is an update Safety Coordinator Jeff Horner shared with the auditor. The board will receive a report at a future meeting.
- The annual financial audit was completed Tuesday. The board will receive a report for review and approval at a future meeting.

#### Discussion

##### Facility update

- Bugs continue to be worked out with the HVAC in the new additions, specifically moderating the humidity and temperature in some rooms. If Jeff Reed attends the meeting he will address the process of moderating the humidity and temperature. The back gym unit is operational.
- Steve Harris Construction will install the sidewalk in front of the new addition. The cost is \$10,200. Other quotes were received from Tim Harris Construction and Barclay Construction.

## **LB 414**

- I recommend the Board adopt the following language to comply with LB 414. The language is included in the Option Enrollment Policy (502.2) which was updated and approved at the July board meeting. **The updated policy is enclosed.**
- Pursuant to Board Policy 502.2 the Board of Education adopts the following regarding Option Enrollment for Special Education services for 2024-25:

Capacity for the district's special education services shall be determined on a case-by-case basis as determined by the Director of Special Education or designee. If the district receives an option enrollment application indicating the student has an individualized education program under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act or may be eligible to receive special education or related services, it shall be evaluated to determine if the appropriate class or grade level has the capacity to provide the student with the appropriate services and accommodations.

### **Discussion/Action**

#### **Board/District Goals and Priorities**

- **Enclosed** is a draft with last month's input.
- Time for discussion and finalizing goals and priorities.

#### **Closed session - negotiations**

#### **Next meeting**

- Junior High wrestling at Randolph on Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup>. No events on Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Time?