

Board of Education Committee of the  
Whole Meeting  
Thursday, June 28, 2018 6:00 PM Central

Administration Building- Board Room  
320 N 5th St  
Beatrice, NE 68310

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1. Call to Order & Roll Call

**Present:** Janet Byars, Doris Martin, Lisa Pieper, Steve Winter, Jon Zimmerman, **Absent:** Nancy Sedlacek. Present: 5, Absent: 1.

Mrs. Martin, Vice-President of the Board of Education, called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM in room #102 at Beatrice Middle School. At the beginning of the meeting, Mrs. Martin announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted on the west wall of the meeting room.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Board of Education of District #15 approve the agenda as presented passed with a motion by Jon Zimmerman and a second by Steve Winter.

Janet Byars: Yea, Doris Martin: Yea, Lisa Pieper: Yea, Steve Winter: Yea, Jon Zimmerman: Yea  
Yea: 5, Nay: 0

3. Multiculturalism Report

Dr. Nielsen informed the Board that the Americanism committee met before tonight's meeting. She shared a list of items with all Board members noting that all students learn about understanding the "breathability" of the Constitution and the importance of why it is a living document. Next, Dr. Nielsen provided Board members with handouts containing updates from all building levels on the multiculturalism activities that happen throughout the district. At the elementary level, the focus is on character education, art projects, music styles, and evaluating dreams and goals. The middle school focuses their discussion on the implications and effects of history as well as empathetic critical thinking. Research is key at the high school level and includes cultural and social ideologies, as well as discussion of current events and the ramifications of them.

4. Strategic Plan Update

Dr. Nielsen provided a handout of the current strategic plan to Board members. She noted that the district is currently in year two of the plan and that the handout includes status updates on a number of the action steps which have been carried out over the past two years. The following areas were highlighted by Dr. Nielsen:

- Strategy I focuses on enhancing the educational journey- this is largely done through district surveys, goal setting built into Infinite Campus, additional work with curriculum and providing more opportunities to be college and career ready
- Strategy II focuses on exemplifying a culture of character- expansion of PBIS framework to Kindergarten, Boys Town and Character Counts models
- Strategy III focuses on stimulating and strengthening mutual engagement throughout the community- Orangeman pride assemblies at Lincoln and Stoddard, the need for a public relations person, how to best tell our story on social media, Seesaw app at the elementary level, working Wednesdays through the BLAST program
- Strategy IV focuses on facilities, infrastructure and technology- master facility plan process, loss of the tech bond will result in needing to look for grants and other options to replace those funds

5. Policy Update

Dr. Nielsen informed the Board that there will be first readings of a number of policies at the July meeting. She provided an overview of the updates to the following policies:

- 1102 Recording of Others
- 1250 Title I Parent and Family Member Engagement
- 3550 Title I Funds
- 3580 Insufficient Funds

- 4003 Recognition for Service of Employees
- 4005 Employee Antidiscrimination Anti-harassment and Anti-retaliation
- 4015 Child Abuse Reporting
- 4240 Para Procedure
- 5401 Student Antidiscrimination
- 5435 Married Students or Students with Children
- 5533 Search and Seizures
- 5556 Random Drug Testing
- 5560 Student Discipline Policy
- 6212 Assessments- Academic Content Standards
- 6214 Reading Instruction and Assessment

6. Public Comments - This is the proper time for public questions and comments on any topic. Please make sure a request form is given to the Board Vice-President before the meeting begins.  
No one spoke at this time.

7. Adjournment

Board of Education of District #15 adjourn passed with a motion by Jon Zimmerman and a second by Steve Winter.

Janet Byars: Yea, Doris Martin: Yea, Lisa Pieper: Yea, Steve Winter: Yea, Jon Zimmerman: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Danielle Fairbanks

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Board Secretary/Superintendent

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Date