

ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, March 13, 2023
Board Room at the District Office
A G E N D A

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

A. Parks, S. Ringenberg, N. Rogic-Greufe, J. Shatel, R. Vokt, M. Wortman

III. Notices:

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. The Act is posted in the board meeting room. Additionally, advanced notice of the Board meeting was published in the Douglas County Post-Gazette on Wednesday, February 22, 2023.

Instructions for those who wish to speak during citizen comment time: The Board of Education recognizes the importance of citizen participation in school district matters. In order to assure citizens are heard and board meetings are conducted efficiently and in an organized manner, the board shall set time aside for citizen participation at all regular monthly board meetings. To address the Board, citizens must provide their name and address on the sign-in sheet immediately upon entering the meeting, and when called, come forward to the table situated immediately in front of the board. Citizens may speak only one time and must limit comments to five (5) minutes or less if there are several members of the public present to speak. If you are planning to speak about a personnel or student matter involving an individual, please understand that board 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. Please remember 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. The Board President may order persons who are disorderly to be removed from the meeting. Recording of the meeting is allowed, except for executive (closed) sessions, provided that the Board President is notified, and that the recording device does not interfere with the meeting. (Policy 204.12)

IV. Citizen Comments: (Not to exceed 5 minutes per individual or 15 minutes per topic)

A. Citizen Comments (Please sign-in prior to addressing the Board of Education)

V. Monthly Reports:

- A. Good News Report
- B. EHS, ENHS, & ESHS Student Council Reports
- C. Other

VI. Consent Agenda

(Note: Items on the consent agenda are considered routine and will be enacted under one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items at the meeting unless a board member requests an item to be removed from the agenda for separate action.)

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Approval of Minutes of the Monday, February 13, 2023 Regular Meeting
- C. Presentation of March bills for approval and payment
- D. Approval of Exchange Students for 2023-24: Theo Langlouis (Germany) staying with Chad and Leslie McMahon, 2021 S. 189th Circle, Omaha, NE 68130; Annabel Mekenkamp (Netherlands), Matthew and Rachel Foertsch, 21313 Hickory Street. Elkhorn, NE 68022.

VII. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda for Separate Action

- A. _____
- B. _____

VIII. Business Items (Action Requested)

- A. Personnel Report and Recommendations – D. Pechous
 - a. Consider Resignations, Release of Contract Requests, and Appointments
- B. Finance Committee Report and Recommendation – N. Rogic-Greufe and H. Shepard
 - a. Consider the purchase of accounting/finance software
 - b. Consider Preliminary Building Instructional Budgets
- C. Building and Grounds Committee Report and Recommendation – J. Shatel and R. Lindquist
 - a. Consider the purchase of internet switches
- D. Closed Session – A. Parks and B. Habrock

NEXT MEETING – The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for Monday, April 10, 2023

NOTE: The **Board Agenda Explanation** contains pertinent notes and administration recommendations for the Regular Meeting, Monday, March 13, 2023.

- IV. Citizen Comments** – The Board generally allows 5 minutes per person and a total of 15 minutes per topic during the public comment section of their meeting.
- V. Monthly Reports** – The Board will receive a “Good News Report.”
- VI. Consent Agenda** - The following items are recommended for approval on the consent agenda by the administration: Agenda, Minutes of the Monday, February 13, 2023 Regular Meeting, March bills as presented, and Exchange Students for the 2023-24 school year.
- VIII. Business Items**
 - A. Personnel Report and Recommendation** – D. Pechous will request that the Board act a resignation/retirement effective at the end of the 2022-23 school/contract year.
 - B. Finance Committee Report and Recommendation** – N. Rogic-Greufe and H. Shepard will request that the Board consider the purchase of accounting/finance software. Additionally, H. Shepard will request Board approval of preliminary instructional budget allocations for schools to continue planning and preparing for the 2023-24 school year.
 - C. Building and Grounds Committee Report and Recommendation** – J. Shatel and R. Lindquist will ask the Board to consider the purchase of internet switches to be installed district-wide during the 2023-24 school year.
 - D. Closed Session** - President A. Parks and Supt. B. Habrock will request the Board consider a closed session. Policy 204.06 allows the Board to enter into closed session for reasons including, strategy sessions with respect to collective bargaining, real estate purchases, personnel, or litigation. The Board will consider entering a closed session to discuss possible litigation and the purposes of discussing personnel for the reason that it is clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual. During a closed session no action will be taken by the Board, and all discussion will be limited to the announced reason(s) for entering the closed session. Following the closed session, the Board will reconvene before adjournment.