

**ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
6:30 PM  
Monday, January 8, 2024  
Board Room at the District Office  
**AGENDA**

**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 on the wall of the board meeting room. Additionally, advanced notice of the Board meeting was published in the Omaha World Herald on January 2, 2024.

**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, December 4, 2023 6:30 PM Regular Meeting
- C. Presentation of January bills for approval and payment
- D. Approval of Exchange Students for 2024-25: Elton Melkersson (Sweden) staying with Eric Jones and Michael Altman, 2714 N. HWS Cleveland Blvd., Omaha, NE 68116; Roos Abrahams (Netherlands), Kelly Carl and Tara Knudson-Carl, 2320 N. 177th Street, Omaha, NE 68116; Nerea Rodriquez Gonzalez (Spain), Jeremy and Dinah Claus, 1702 N. 211th Street, Elkhorn, NE 68022

**VII. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda for Separate Action**

- A. \_\_\_\_\_
- B. \_\_\_\_\_

**VIII. Public Policy Hearing (President will open the floor for public comment)**

This annual hearing is to allow public comment on any District policy and to meet specific annual requirements prior to the re-adoption of the District policies including Policy 504.10 – Student Fees and 1005.04 – Parental Involvement in Schools.

**ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ANNUAL PUBLIC POLICY HEARING  
Monday, January 8, 2024  
AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order at:
- II. Roll Call: A. Parks, S. Ringenberg, N. Rogic-Greufe, J. Shatel, R. Vokt, M. Wortman
- III. Business:
  - A. Consideration of and public comment on Board Policies, Rules and Regulations, Policy 504.10 – Student Fees and Policy 1005.04 – Parental Involvement in Schools.  
H. Shepard will give a brief report on the status of the student fees fund.
- IV. Adjourn and reconvene Regular Board Meeting

**IX. Annual Board Reorganization (Action Required)**

- A. Election of Officers
- B. Committee Appointments
- C. Board Policies and Procedures
- D. Banking/Financial
- E. Attorney
- F. Board of Education Meetings

**X. Business Items (Action Required)**

- A. Personnel Report and Recommendation(s) –D. Pechous
- B. Negotiations Committee Report and Recommendations – R. Vokt and D. Pechous
- C. Buildings and Grounds Report and Recommendation – J. Shatel and R. Lindquist

**XI. Reports/Discussion Items:**

- A. Tax Exempt Finance Compliance Report – Heather Shepard

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**NEXT MEETING** – The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for **Monday, February 12, 2024 at 6:30 PM, in the Board Room at the District Office, 20650 Glenn Street, Elkhorn, NE 68022.**

**NOTE:** The **Board Agenda Explanation** contains pertinent notes and administration recommendations for the Regular Meeting, Monday, January 8, 2024.

**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” and reports from the student council representatives from high schools.

**VI. Consent Agenda** - The following items are recommended for approval on the consent agenda by the administration: Agenda, Minutes of the Monday, December 4, 2023 6:30 PM Regular Board Meeting and January bills as presented, and Exchange Students for the 2024-25 school year.

**VIII. Policy Hearing** – The Board will receive public comment on any District policies prior to considering the re-adoption of District policies.

**IX. Annual Board Reorganization** – The Board will complete its annual reorganization including election of officers, committee appointments, readopting district policies, procedures, rules and regulations, banking/financial, attorney, and meeting calendar.

### **X. Business Items**

**A. Personnel Report and Recommendations** – Don Pechous will recommend appointments, resignations, amendments, and release of contracts.

**B. Negotiations Committee Report and Recommendations** – R. Vokt and D. Pechous will request the Board to approve a 2-year agreement with the Elkhorn Education Association.

**C. Buildings and Grounds Report and Recommendation** – J. Shatel and R. Lindquist will request Board approval for carpet replacement at Elkhorn South High School.

### **XI. Reports/Discussion Items**

**A. Tax Exempt Finance Compliance Report** – H. Shepard will present in accordance with the reporting requirements of the Tax-Exempt Financing Compliance Policy and Procedures adopted by the Elkhorn Public School Board on January 9, 2012 this report summarizes the implementation of the Compliance Policy and Procedures.