

**Committee on American Civics Meeting
Monday, November 8, 2021 4:00 PM**

**Bayard High School Library
726 4th Avenue
Bayard, NE 69334**

Notice is hereby given that a Committee on American Civics Meeting of the School District of Bayard in the Counties of Morrill, Scotts Bluff, Box Butte, and Banner in the State of Nebraska will be held on Monday, November 8, 2021 at 4:00 PM in the Bayard High School Library located at 726 4th Avenue, Bayard, NE 69334, which meeting shall be open to the public. An agenda for such meeting, kept continuously current is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the office of the Superintendent, located at 726 4th Avenue, Bayard, NE 69334.

AGENDA

- I. Opening the Meeting
 - I.A. Call to Order
 - I.B. Open Meetings Act
 - I.C. Notice of Meeting
 - I.D. Roll Call of Committee Members
 - I.E. Status of Absent Committee Members
- II. Approval of Agenda
- III. Introduction of Guests
- IV. Public Comments
- V. Review Nebraska State Statute 79-724
- VI. Committee Discussion Items
 - VI.A. Discussion Regarding Social Studies Curriculum and Instruction Compliance with Nebraska State Statutes 79-719 to 79-723 and the Social Studies Standards Adopted by the Nebraska State Board of Education.
 - VI.B. Discussion Regarding Compliance with Statutory Requirements for Students
 - VI.C. Discussion Regarding Curricular Materials/Resources and Recommendations for Updating of Altering Curricular Resources
 - VI.D. Discussion Regarding the Following Strategy to Increase Positive Student Civics Participation in the Bayard Public Schools Community: Student Board Representative Program
 - VI.E. Discussion Regarding Potential Strategies to Increase Positive Student Civics Participation in the Bayard Public Schools Community: National History Day
 - VI.F. Discussion Regarding Potential Strategies to Increase Positive Student Civics Participation in the Bayard Public Schools Community: Minuteman Activities Conference Student Advisory Committee
- VII. Set Next Meeting Date
- VIII. Adjourn

The Bayard Public Schools Board of Education reserves the right to convene a Closed Session for purposes in accordance with 84-1410(1). The Board of Education also reserves the right to change the order of agenda items at the discretion of the Presiding Officer of the Board of Education.

Student Board Representative Program

Bayard Board of Education

11-08-2021

Strategic Plan

- Invest in student development by continuing to offer leadership opportunities for our students.

Goal of LB399

- Develop future civic leaders.

LEAD/Leader in Me Training

- Currently have students in leadership positions in the school district working on ideas for the betterment of the school.

Policy 9006 – Student Board Representative

- Purpose
- Selection and term of office
- Rights and responsibilities

Application Process

- Google form application for students in grades 9-12
- High school activities, leadership positions, community activities, and an initiative
- In our second year of the program with six different students completing applications.
- Students are scored on a rubric by the Board of Education, and the two students with the highest point totals are the successful applicants.
- Two students selected with one serving the first semester (September-December) and one serving the second semester (January-April).
- Students selected write a monthly report for the Board of Education including information on student activities, pertinent student information, feedback from students, and progress on initiative.
- Students selected also write a summary of their experience at the end of their term.

Initiatives

- Nate Barker – student authored social media with purchase of Class Intercom
- Madison Oliverius – adding school themed spirit murals in the secondary building
- Nate Barker – tutoring service for students
- Candace Wolfe – working on her initiative for next semester

Proposed Policy Revisions

- Changing the application due date from August 31st to April 15th
- Adding an in person interview for the students with the board Committee on American Civics.
- Giving preference to first time applicants in an effort to provide this opportunity for all interested students.

Benefits to the Board of Education

- Getting our students' input regarding decisions that directly affect them.
- Improve student board relations by working together.
- Hearing firsthand from students what initiatives are important to them.
- Developing students' interest in serving on a board in their community.

Benefits to the Students

- Learning how a Board of Education works.
- Opportunity for increased student ownership.
- Developing a connection between the board and the students.
- Understanding of the chain of command to resolve issues.
- Becoming civic leaders.