

Centura School Board Special Meeting  
Thursday, April 2, 2020 5:00 PM  
Centura High School Library  
201 N. Hwy 11  
Cairo, NE 68824

## **Agenda**

1. Call meeting to order
2. Roll Call/Excuse board members who are absent
3. Approve special meeting agenda
4. Special Meeting/Discussion items
  - 4.1. Covid-19/Policies
5. Adjournment

**OFFICE OF  
HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
P.O. BOX 25  
ST. PAUL, NE 68873  
DISASTER DECLARATION**

Howard County along with the following entities in the County: Howard County Roads Department, City of St. Paul, St. Paul Civic Center, Howard County Senior Center, Village of Boelus including Fire,EMS , Village of Dannebrog including Fire/EMS, Village of Elba including Fire/EMS , Village of Farwell including Fire/EMS, Village of Cushing, Village of Cotesfield, St. Paul Public School, Centura Public School, Elba Public School, St. Libory Public School, All Howard County Pre-School Organizations Howard County Medical Hospital and Clinic, Farwell Irrigation, Loup Central Landfill, ALL Churches in Howard County, All Low income housing facilities in Howard County, Howard Greeley Rural PPD., All Day Care facilities in Howard County, Brookfield Park Nursing Facility, Matelyn Retirement Community, and entities public and private suffering financial loss due to the COVID-19 outbreak that has/will occur beginning on January 31,2020 and on-going and continuing indefinitely causing disruption of services, cost-incurred prevention and protection as well as the endangerment of health and safety of the citizens of Howard County.

Therefore, the Chair of the Howard County Board of Commissioners has declared a state of emergency authorized under Nebraska State Statute R.R.S. 81-829.50 on behalf of Howard County, and will execute for and on behalf of Howard County, the expenditure of emergency funds from all available sources, the invoking of mutual aid agreements, and the applying to the State of Nebraska for assistance from the Governor's Emergency Fund and any other resources he/she deem necessary in the fulfillment of his/her duties.

  
Chair, Howard County

3-18-2020  
Date



WITNESS my hand and  
the seal of my office this  
18 day of March, 2020

  
Howard County Clerk

**COVID-19 RESOLUTION**  
**EMERGENCY EXPENDITURES AND STATE OR FEDERAL RELIEF**

WHEREAS, the school district is facing closure based on the statewide outbreak of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the President and the Governor have declared a state of emergency, and in the event of a disaster, emergency, or civil defense emergency, each school district or educational service unit may make emergency expenditures, enter into contracts, and incur obligations for emergency management purposes and to minimize the disruption to education services regardless of existing statutory limitations and requirements pertaining to appropriation, budgeting, or the manner of entering into contracts; and

WHEREAS, a local emergency has been declared by Howard County, to be filed with the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency, and the board has secured a copy of this signed proclamation, and in the event of a local emergency declared by the local government each school district or educational service unit may make emergency expenditures, contracts, or obligations, including in excess of or in violation of existing statutory limitations or requirements; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to these declarations, state and federal aid may be available to the school district in relation to COVID-19 and related impacts; and

WHEREAS, the board recognizes that a severe financial burden exists due to declared emergency; and

WHEREAS, the board wishes to minimize disruption of the school district's operations and provide any authority necessary for the superintendent or his or her designee to take any actions necessary during the closure;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the superintendent, in consultation with the Board President, is authorized to make emergency expenditures and pay all claims and take any other action authorized by law during the emergency and any resulting school closure, including taking actions that may otherwise conflict with board policy or that would otherwise exceed the authority given to the superintendent in board policy if necessary based on this emergency and the COVID-19 pandemic; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the superintendent, in consultation with the Board President, is authorized to take any action appropriate or necessary to avail the district of aid, funding, or other relief available, including making and signing on behalf of the district any necessary filings and providing notices to appropriate

agencies, and to coordinate, authorize, or undertake works, contracts, projects, or other activities related to such aid, funding, or other relief available to the maximum extent permitted by law; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the superintendent is authorized to assign and utilize staff as necessary, including any closure, and to provide any leave, pay any compensation, and enter into agreements with staff for the purposes of protecting the health and safety of the school community, continuing the efficient operations of the school district, and ensuring staff continue to work as needed and assigned and return to work in the school district during and after the emergency, including during any closure.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it finally resolved that this resolution will expire upon the sooner of action taken by the board to rescind it or the expiration of the declared emergencies.

Approved by Board on \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

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Board President