

The Grinnell-Newburg Board of Education met in Regular Session on October 7, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. at the Grinnell-Newburg Community High School in the Media Center, 1333 Sunset Street, Grinnell, Iowa 50112.

Members Present: Barbara Brown, Jeff Knobloch, Meg Jones Bair, Jonathan Nance, Helen Redmond, Dustin Smith and Jeff Smith.

Members Absent: None

Also in attendance at the table: Superintendent Todd Abrahamson and Board Treasurer/Secretary Lisa Johnson.

Administrators Present: None

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

President Brown called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Board Secretary Johnson called the roll. Seven members were in attendance.

**2. Board Work Session**

Harry Heiligenthal from IASB led a board discussion on how to be the most effective board possible. The board discussed who is responsible for which functions, such as recommending vs. approving. There were also discussions on how to handle various public concerns.

Harry recommended board members review board specific policies, such as 200.3, 204, 207, 210.8, 213, 213.1R1, 300, 302.4, 307, 401.4, 402.5 and 502.4. He stated understanding these policies is important in being an effective board member.

**3. Adjournment**

Motion by J. Smith, seconded by Knobloch to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 7-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

**Board Calendar:**

Regular Board Meeting

6:00 p.m., October 14, 2015