



## AFTER A YEAR AWAY, WE JUST HIT PLAY

Another State Education Conference is in the books, and once again we were face-to-face in downtown Omaha. This year's event saw over 1,000 school leaders networking, sharing, and learning, with some activities beginning on Tuesday and still going strong until Friday afternoon. Takeaways from the Conference include:

- Two engaging Pre-Conference sessions on Equity & the First Amendment.
- 50+ breakout sessions.
- Nebraska City High School Jazz Band opened up the conference Thursday morning.
- School Board Members were reminded that although the last 18 months have not been easy, they never stopped.
- Inky Johnson and Amelia Rose Earhart had us flying and crying.
- The annual NASB Delegate Assembly continued its new format, and set the Legislative and Leadership initiatives for the Association and its members for 2022.
- The Delegate Assembly is also where NASB's leadership changes on the Board of Directors. Outgoing President Stacie Higgins of Nebraska City passed the gavel to incoming President Brad Wilkins of Ainsworth, and Sandy Noffsinger of Dundy County Stratton was elected incoming Vice President.
- The Conference closed as we honored Steve Koch of Hershey Public Schools as this year's Ann Mactier Award winner, for School Board Member of the Year!
- NASB's John Spatz gave an overview of the Association and what the future looks like.



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## JANUARY

THE 107TH LEGISLATURE, SECOND SESSION WILL CONVENE JANUARY 5

NASB BOARD PRESIDENT RETREAT - JANUARY 23-24 - KEARNEY

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES CONFERENCE - JANUARY 30-31 - LINCOLN

SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION WEEK IN NEBRASKA - JANUARY 30 TO FEBRUARY 5

## FEBRUARY

NASB BOARD PRESIDENT RETREAT - FEBRUARY 6-7 - NORFOLK

NEEDS – RESOURCES WORKSHOPS - FEBRUARY 3 - SEWARD

NEEDS – RESOURCES WORKSHOPS - FEBRUARY 9 - AUBURN

NEEDS – RESOURCES WORKSHOPS - FEBRUARY 15 - BLAIR

## MARCH

BUDGET & FINANCE WORKSHOP - MARCH 1 - YORK

BUDGET & FINANCE WORKSHOP - MARCH 23 - TBD

NAEP STATE CONVENTION - MARCH 29-30 - GRAND ISLAND

## OTHER

NASB GOLF OUTING / SCHOOL LEADERS & LAW CONFERENCE - JUNE 22-23 - KEARNEY

AREA MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS - AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

STATE EDUCATION CONFERENCE - NOVEMBER 16-18 - CHI HEALTH CENTER OMAHA



# WHO IS YOUR WHY? - THE ANNUAL PASSING OF THE GAVEL

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At the annual NASB Delegate Assembly, outgoing President, Stacie Higgins of Nebraska City concluded her two years as President, and passed the ceremonial gavel to Brad Wilkins of Ainsworth. Wilkins has served on the Ainsworth Board of Education for 9 years, and been a member of the NASB Board of Directors since 2015.

Brad, joined by his wife Wendy, son Sam, and daughter Libby, as well as members from the Ainsworth Board, addressed the Assembly audience when accepting the gavel.

“The last 18 months have tested our metal. We were asked to make decisions that effected not just our school districts, but our communities as well. You were asked to step to the front line and lead. School leaders have always been community leaders and never has that been more evident than during the last 18 months. You were called to stand up and stand firm, often amid a deeply divided community.”

*“Today I want to challenge you to remember who is your why.”*

“For me the who was Katie, Jake, Sam, and Libby. I believe that many of you may have begun your school board service for the same reason. Parent involvement and local control are bedrock to the public schools in our communities.”

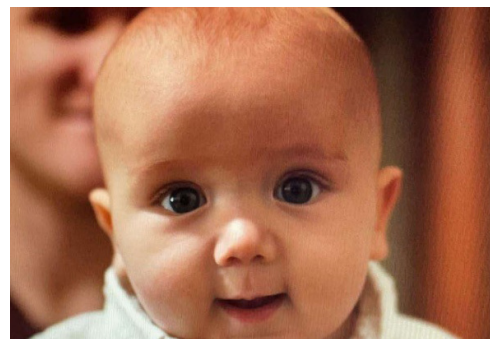
“Like many of you, I quickly learned that my who was much larger. My who became Victor and his family as they struggled to learn the English language and acquire the knowledge necessary to participate in the American dream. My who became Ty and his little sister growing up facing economic challenges in a single parent home. My who became the diverse student body from my community.”

“The time that we spend making difficult budget choices around curriculum, technology, and student achievement affect our who. The policies that we enact to assure that our schools are safe and that every student has an equal opportunity to succeed affects our who. Hiring passionate and committed administrators and teachers affect our who.”

“This past summer we added my greatest who. Our grandson Matson. Matson won’t be attending school for a while, but here’s the deal. His family lives in Traer, Iowa. I am trusting that there is a school board member in that district that will adopt Matson as their who. Someone who will stand on the front line and stand firm to see that Matson gets the best possible public education, an education which will enable him to achieve his greatest dreams. To elucidate to their fellow board members the importance of having a who.”

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In addition to Wilkins taking over as President, Sandy Noffsinger of Dundy County Stratton was elected to serve as NASB’s Vice President, beginning her four-year run as an Officer. Steve Blocher of West Point, who served as NASB’s President in 2019 was honored for his service to the NASB Board of Directors as both a Region Director, and an Officer for the last five years. Kim Burry of Bayard will begin her third year as an Officer, moving from Vice President, to President-Elect, and will serve as President in 2023.



# NASB ALICAP RECOGNIZES ITS ANNUAL AWARD WINNERS

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178 NEBRASKA SCHOOLS AND ESUs

OVER \$1 BILLION IN PAYROLL INSURED

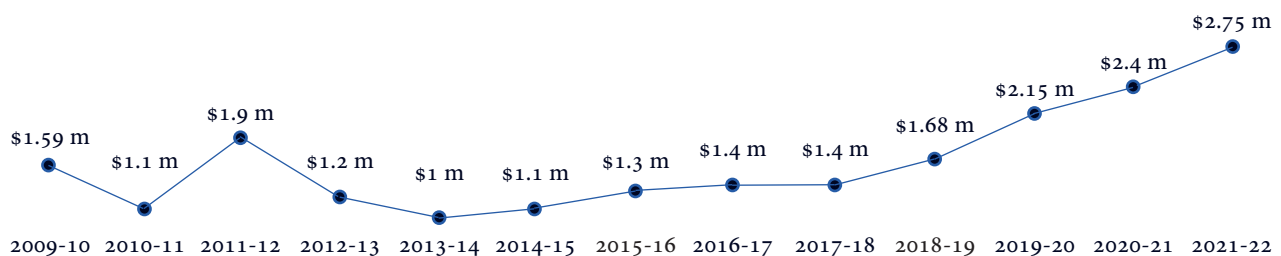
\$7 BILLION IN PROPERTY VALUES INSURED

28,000 EMPLOYEES COVERED

3,000 VEHICLES ON SCHEDULE

1,100 CLAIMS HANDLED ANNUALLY

OVER \$25 MILLION GIVEN BACK IN DIVIDENDS SINCE 1990



MANY THANKS TO ALL ALICAP MEMBERS FOR THEIR TRUST, LOYALTY & DEDICATION

### 2020-2021 RECOGNITION PROGRAM AWARD WINNERS

LOSS RATIO AWARD WINNER  
YUTAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

ALICAP WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE THESE MEMBERS ON  
EARNING THIS YEAR'S SAFETY AWARDS.

EXPERIENCE MODIFIER AWARD WINNER  
BENNINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

A STRONG SAFETY PROGRAM BEGINS WITH A SUPPORTIVE  
LEADERSHIP TEAM AND IS ACTED OUT BY EVERY STAFF  
MEMBER, EVERY DAY.

SAFESCHOOLS AWARD WINNER  
PLATTSMOUTH COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!



# THE STATE EDUCATION CONFERENCE: IN PICTURES

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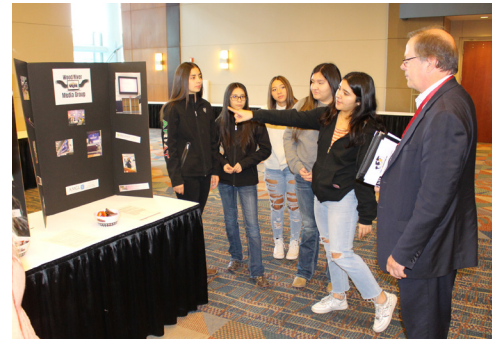
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*Thank you to everyone who took the time to attend, present, serve, exhibit, and network.*

*It was great to all be together once again.*

*Mark your calendars now for the 2022 State Education Conference, November 16-18, 2022,  
back at the CHI Health Center - downtown Omaha!*





## SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS 2022

In Nebraska, school board election procedures vary depending on school district classification. Under Nebraska Revised Statute §79-102, Nebraska's public schools are classified as follows:

**Class III** - any district embracing territory having a population of less than 150,000 that maintains both elementary and high school grades under the direction of a single school board. [§79-102(1)]

**Class IV** - any district embracing territory having a population of 100,000 or more with a city of the primary class within the territory of the district that maintains both elementary and high school grades under the direction of a single school board. [§79-102(2)]

**Class V** - any district whose employees participate in a retirement system established pursuant to the Class V School Employees Retirement Act and which embraces territory having a city of the metropolitan class within the territory of the district that maintains both elementary grades and high school grades under the direction of a single school board and any school district with territory in a city of the metropolitan class created pursuant to the Learning Community Reorganization Act and designated as a Class V school district in the reorganization plan. [§79-102(3)]

**What Do I Need to Know?** Contact your local school district or ESU office to inquire about the availability of all forms necessary to file for office. The following lists the election process based on your district's classification.

### Class III Districts: (Except Westside Community Schools)

- 5 to 9 members on a board [§79-549 or §79-550]
- The school board must notify the Secretary of State, county clerk, or election commissioner of offices to be filled, term, vacancies, votes to cast, and filing deadlines for each office by Jan 5. [§32-404 and §32-601]
- SBMs are nominated at the Statewide Primary Election (May 10) and elected at the Statewide General Election (Nov 8)
- Incumbents must file for office by Feb 15. [§32-606]
- Non-Incumbents must file for office by Mar 1. [§32-606]

### Class IV Districts:

- SBMs nominated and elected by city council district and at the same time as city council members are elected [§32-544]
- SBMs serve 4-year terms [§32-544]

- The school board must notify the Secretary of State, county clerk, or election commissioner of offices to be filled, term, vacancies, votes to cast, and filing deadlines for each office by Jan 5. [§32-404 and §32-601]
- SBMs are nominated at the Statewide Primary Election (May 10) and elected at the Statewide General Election (Nov 8)
- Incumbents must file for office by Feb 15. [§32-606]
- Non-Incumbents must file for office by Mar 1. [§32-606]

### Class V Districts:

- One member elected from each of 9 districts [§32-552]
- SBMs serve 4-year terms [§32-551(2)]
- The school board must notify the Secretary of State, county clerk, or election commissioner of offices to be filled, term, vacancies, votes to cast, and filing deadlines for each office by Jan 5. [§32-404 and §32-601]
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- Non-Incumbents must file for office by Mar 1. [§32-606]

### Educational Service Units:

- The number of board members and the district each member represents vary for ESUs and are dependent on factors outlined in §79-1217.
- The ESU board must notify the Secretary of State, County Clerk, or Election Commissioner of offices to be filled, term, vacancies, votes to cast, and filing deadlines for each office by June 15. [§32-404 and §32-601]
- Election of members only at Statewide General Election (Nov 8)
- Incumbents must file for office by July 15. [§32-606]
- Non-Incumbents must file for office by Aug 1. [§32-606]

### For Additional Election Information

Please see the Nebraska Secretary of State website for:

Filing dates and deadlines:

[www.sos.ne.gov/elec/genvoterinfo.html](http://www.sos.ne.gov/elec/genvoterinfo.html)

Candidate information:

<http://www.sos.ne.gov/elec/candidateinfo.html>

Local county clerk's office/ election commissioner:

<http://www.sos.ne.gov/elec/clerks.html>



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## BOARD CALENDAR AGENDA ITEMS FOR YOUR JANUARY MEETINGS

### IMPORTANT ELECTION DATES

January 5, 2022 - First day an individual may file for office to have their name placed on the ballot as a candidate at the 2022 election.

January 30, 2022 - Last day for political subdivisions [the school board] to notify the Secretary of State, county clerks or election commissioners of offices to be filled, terms, vacancies, votes to cast, and filing deadlines for each office.

February 15, 2022 - Last day for incumbents (any current office holder) to file for office on the primary ballot.

March 1, 2022 - Last day for non-incumbents (new filers) to file for office on primary election.

May 10, 2022 - Statewide Primary Election

June 15, 2022 - ESUs holding elections in conjunction with the statewide general election must notify the Secretary of State, county clerks or election commissioners of offices to be filled, terms, vacancies, votes to cast, and filing deadlines for each office.

July 15, 2022 - Last day for incumbents (any current office holder) not on the Primary Ballot to file. Applies to educational service unit board members.

Date TBD - NASB Candidate Engagement  
The Board Leadership staff will present this free engagement that provides an overview of the roles and responsibilities of board members.  
Watch for more information!

August 1, 2022 - Last day for non-incumbents (new filers) to file for office. Applies to educational service unit board members.

November 8, 2022 - Statewide General Election



View the full, detailed calendar at: <http://members.nasbonline.org/index.php/resources>

### MISSION, VISION, & GOALS

Annual Leadership Team Planning Meeting (Set Date); Strategic Plan Update; District Goals Update. Annually review the District Mission, Vision, and Belief or Value Statements

### POLICY GOVERNANCE

Adopt board committee assignments per board policy. Review Board Code of Conduct Policy. Resolution to re-adopt all existing policies.

Appoint (superintendent or other qualified district employee) as Non-discrimination Compliance Coordinator to meet federal Equal Employment Opportunity requirements.

Appoint the district's Title IX Coordinator.

### ACCOUNTABILITY & STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

District Report Card. District Assurance Statement Corrections on or before February 1, cross reference October.

### ADVOCACY

Review 2022 Legislative Calendar; Review the NASB Advocacy Handbook; Legislative representative and contact information; Appoint a Legislative Committee to monitor and support district response and action.

### DISTRICT/ESU RESOURCES [BUDGET]

Budget - Review Quarterly Financial Reports. Collective Bargaining on or before February 8. Board Finance Committee Report.

### REPORTS

Negotiations Committee; Superintendent; Administrators;

### BOARD OPERATIONS

Reorganization Meeting: Election of Officers. Sign and file NADC [Conflict of Interest form] with School District Board Secretary

Adopt Annual Board Calendar and Board Meeting Schedule for 2022.

### BOARD – SUPERINTENDENT RELATIONS

Approve superintendent contract. Transparency Act Guidelines: Current Superintendents or ESU Administrators, before approval of contract/amendment, board must publish a copy of the proposed contract/amendment three (3) days before approval along with estimate and description of all costs. 79-2402(1). New superintendents or ESU Administrators, the board must publish a copy of the contract two (2) days after the meeting at which the contract was approved, along with estimate and description of all costs. § 79-2402(2). Collaborate with Superintendent/ESU Administrator to develop new/updated goals to align to evaluation.



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## NEEDS - RESOURCES WORKSHOPS: UNDERSTANDING HOW THE STATE FUNDS YOUR DISTRICT

FEBRUARY 3 - SEWARD

FEBRUARY 9 - AUBURN

FEBRUARY 15 - BLAIR

### PARTICIPANTS WILL LEARN

How "Needs" are calculated; How "Resources", both State and Local are calculated; A historical perspective of how school funding has changed; The Legislative "levers" that are manipulated to achieve school funding outcomes; Past and current legislative initiatives that could impact school funding.

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# 2022 LEGISLATIVE ISSUES CONFERENCE

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## BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD

JANUARY 30-31, 2022 | CORNHUSKER MARRIOTT HOTEL LINCOLN

### LEGISLATIVE ISSUES CONFERENCE - SUNDAY, JANUARY 30

6:00 PM

Reception, Dinner & Program - Senator Mike Flood

**"Reflections on Education Policy and the Legislature After Two Terms Away"**

Former Speaker, 2007 to 2012. Elected to District 19 of the Nebraska Legislature: 2004; Re-elected 2008 & 2020

*Hospitality event to follow hosted by First National Capital Markets*



### LEGISLATIVE ISSUES CONFERENCE - MONDAY, JANUARY 31

8:00 AM

Registration

8:30 AM

Welcome & Introductions | Brad Wilkins, NASB President

Key Committee Chairs and a number of other Senators have been invited to share their respective views throughout the morning. Get a first hand look at all of the bills introduced that will have an impact on public education in Nebraska during this year's legislative session.

12:00 PM

Lunch with the Senators

1:30 PM

Adjournment

(SPEAKER LIST SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

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## NASB BOARD PRESIDENT RETREATS

JANUARY 23-24 - KEARNEY

FEBRUARY 6-7 - NORFOLK

### SUGGESTED AUDIENCE:

Board Presidents, Aspiring Presidents, Superintendents and/or ESU Administrators

Register for the Retreat today at [www.NASBonline.org](http://WWW.NASBONLINE.ORG)

## ... SEARCH, STRENGTHS & AWARDS

### EDUCATION LEADERSHIP SEARCH SERVICE

Check out the Superintendent Searches NASB is facilitating at [nasb.myrevelus.com](http://nasb.myrevelus.com). Deadlines approaching for Morrill, Shickley and Gordon-Rushville. Contact Shari for questions about your application, questions on best practice for superintendent searches, or for a proposal to fill your superintendent vacancy [sbecker@nasbonline.org](mailto:sbecker@nasbonline.org)

### GALLUP STRENGTHSFINDER

Contact Shari for a code to complete your CliftonStrengths Assessment. "Your strengths do not determine if you are a good leader – they tell you how you can lead best." CS

### MEDIATION SERVICES

Shari recently became an ODR Approved Mediator. Contact NASB if you are in need of Mediation Services.

- Shari -

## ... POLICY

As of this summer, all districts were required to have a policy on Staff Conduct With Students (policy 402.15) or maintaining professional boundaries between staff and students. State statutes require that your district staff must report to designated administrators any suspected instances of "grooming" or other inappropriate conduct. It is important for the protection of your students and your district that this policy is in place.

Contact Jim to learn more!

## ... ADVOCACY & GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

The 107<sup>th</sup> Legislature, Second Session will convene January 5. Look for the annual *Advocacy Handbook* in the next few weeks which includes NASB's Legislative & Leadership Initiatives for 2022 and a guide for effective advocacy.

Register now for the annual Legislative Issues Conference, in Lincoln at the Cornhusker Marriott, January 30-31. Check out the agenda on Page 9.

Stay engaged with NASB's Bills page, and the Government Relations page at: <http://members.nasbonline.org/index.php/government-relations>

Call Colby & Matt with any questions!  
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## ... MEMBER ENGAGEMENT

In addition to seeing everyone at State Conference in November, we have been busy hitting the road for Needs-Resources Workshops and have also visited Arnold, Stapleton, Arthur County, Hyannis, Broken Bow, Silver Lake and Franklin.

We continue to add locations for the Needs-Resources Workshops to provide better training for board members about how the State funds their school district. See Page 8 for dates and registration.

Sharon



## ... DATA ANALYTICS

Legislators will be addressing property tax reform again this year. As you talk to your representatives, it's useful to know how your district's levy, per student costs, and state aid per student compares to others in your area or other districts of a similar size. Our Data Analytics program can deliver that information in an easy-to-read format for your board and administrators.

*Contact Jim to learn more!*

## ... TECHNOLOGY

WELCOME NEW SPARQ SUBSCRIBERS  
Kearney Public Schools  
Pleasanton Public Schools

Reminder to enter your new 2022-23 Negotiated Contract into the Contract Settlement Form.

Great seeing so many of you at both the Sparq Tailgate Party in October, and the Open House in November!

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## ... ENERGY PURCHASING

Natural gas prices this winter have been extremely volatile and have often been in the rare situation of setting this year's prices higher than either of the next two years. CJUMP and NJUMP have hedged large quantities of gas to greatly lower the likelihood of needing to buy gas on the spot markets, another reason so many districts have been in these Interlocals since 2006.

*Contact Jim to learn more!*

## ... ALICAP & INSURANCE

ALICAP's Monthly Safety Topic is Winter Driving. We encourage schools to assign a Winter Driving Safety training course to all school staff during the month of December.

Congrats to the 2020-21 Recognition Program Award Winners

Loss Ratio Award Winner  
Yutan Public Schools

Experience Modifier Award Winner  
Bennington Public Schools

SafeSchools Award Winner  
Plattsmouth Community Schools

*Thanks, Megan!*

## ... BOARD LEADERSHIP

Check out "At the Board Table" on pages 6 & 7.

*Marcia, Tori, Kari & Katie*

## DON'T EVER STOP

Looking back on the past year and a half, our lives are a lot different now than they were in 2019. Through it all, Nebraska's 1,700 locally elected, volunteer school board members never stopped.

Watch: "Don't Ever Stop"

<http://members.nasbonline.org/index.php/news-resources/videos>

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# WARMEST WISHES FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

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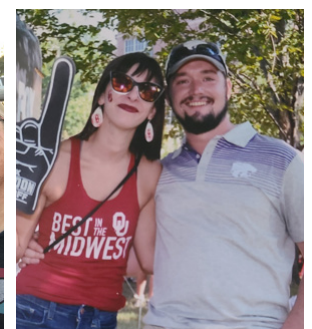
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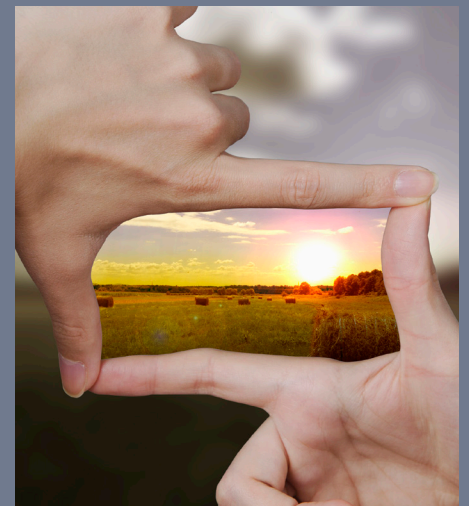
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