

Easton School District No. 28
Meeting of the Board of Directors
July 13, 2017
Jennie Marie Giovenale-Austin Library

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Lynn Lopez at 6:30 PM.

Attendance: Lynn Lopez, Chris Helgeson, Amy Grove, John Jensen

Board Members Absent: Jen Knox

Staff Members Present: Patrick Dehuff, Marilyn Fudge, Wandah Messinger

Guests: None

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda: A motion to approve the agenda for the July 13, 2017 board meeting was made by Chris Helgeson. John Jensen seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Adjourn to Public Hearing: The board adjourned to a public hearing for the purpose of reviewing the budget for the 2017-18 school year. Business Manager Wandah Messinger, reviewed the District budget. She brought a balanced budget proposal to the board. The proposed budget is attached. Wandah Messinger discussed the revenue and expenditure projections for each account in the budget. Board Chair Lynne Lopez thanked Wandah for all the work that she has done. The discussion continued with regards to small school funding.

Reconvene Regular Meeting

Communication to the Board: None

Board Minutes: Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve the minutes from the school board meeting on June 27, 2017. John Jensen seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Reports:

Financial: Wandah Messinger presented the monthly budget status report to the board. Each fund balance was reviewed and discussed. Mrs. Messinger reviewed the trends and the enrollment with the board.

Staff: No report

Student Representative: No report

Principal: No report

Superintendent: Dr. Dehuff mentioned that there is a lot of discussion occurring during the legislative discussion regarding school funding in the State of Washington. Dr. Dehuff will research the various proposals and agreements and report to the board on his findings.

Board Business: Resolution #434 is for Fixing and Adopting the 2017-2018 budget for the District. Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve the adoption of the 2017-2018 budget that was submitted to the board. Amy Grove seconded the motion and the motion carried. Superintendent Dehuff wrote the letter to Kittitas County Planning Department regarding the potential impact to the school district of the proposed development, Marion Meadows. He asked the board to read the letter before he sent it and to let him know if there were any concerns from the board. The board read the letter and stated that they did not have any objections and signed an addendum to the letter stating that they are in agreement with the contents of the letter. Dr. Dehuff discussed offering a signing bonus for potential candidates for the open teaching positions. There is a teacher shortage and we are competing against other Districts who are offering signing bonuses. That will give potential candidates an incentive to accept a position with Easton School. Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve offering a signing bonus of \$3,000. Amy Grove seconded the motion and the motion carried. The board was asked to approve the new hire of Denise (Lyn) Cox as the secondary science teacher. Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve the hire of Denise (Lyn) Cox as the secondary science teacher. John Jensen seconded the motion and the motion carried. The secondary math position and combined 5th/6th grade position are still open.

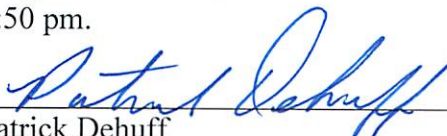
Consent Agenda: Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve the consent agenda. John Jensen seconded the motion and the motion carried.

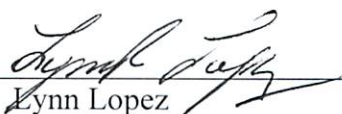
Meeting Adjourned to Executive Session: Chris Helgeson made a motion to adjourn to an Executive Session for a Superintendent evaluation beginning at 7:30 PM. The estimated time is 15 minutes.

Adjourn Executive Session: At 7:45 PM, Chris Helgeson made a motion to adjourn the Executive session. Amy Grove seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Reconvene Regular Meeting: Chris Helgeson made a motion to reconvene the regular board meeting. John Jensen seconded the motion and the motion carried. Chris Helgeson made a motion to extend Superintendent Dehuff's contract with the District. Amy Grove seconded the motion and the motion passed by a unanimous vote of the board.

Meeting Adjourned: Amy Grove made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chris Helgeson seconded the motion and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.


Patrick Dehuff
Superintendent


Lynn Lopez
Board Chair