

Easton School District No. 28  
Board Workshop  
January 13, 2014  
Jennie Marie Giovenale-Austin Library

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Kathie Stratton at 6:35p.m.

**Attendance:**

Board Members Present: Kathie Stratton, Ken Everaert, Anna Dodge, Chris Helgeson, Lynn Lopez

Staff Members Present: Patrick Dehuff, Lisa Henderson

**ASB Representation:** Kendra Strahm sent a note to the board explaining that an ASB representative will attend board meetings after the winter sports season is done by the end of February.

**Students and Telecommunication Devices:** Patrick Dehuff and Lisa Henderson were approached by a parent who requested that students at Easton School be banned from having cell phones in their possession. Currently, our policy states that students are to refrain from using their cell phones from the start of school until the end of the school day. However, they are not prohibited from having a cell phone with them.

Superintendent Dehuff distributed our current policy regarding telecommunication devices (Policy 3245, Students and Telecommunication Devices) for the board to review. He also posed the question to our district attorney and her reply was distributed to the board as well. A variety of articles that discuss the pros and cons of cell phone bans were distributed to the board. The board discussed the topic and felt that the current policy is sufficient without taking further measures of banning students from having cell phones in their possession.

**Accreditation:** Patrick Dehuff mentioned that Easton School was in the process of renewing their accreditation. The process has changed and there are a lot of documents and information that will be worked on over the spring as we go through this process. Superintendent Dehuff said that he would keep the board posted on progress towards the renewal of accreditation.

**Meeting adjourned:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 PM.

*Patrick Dehuff*  
*Kathie E. Stratton*