

Easton School District No. 28
Meeting of the Board of Directors
February 28, 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, Jen Knox was in attendance via a conference call.

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Members Present: Patrick Dehuff, Marilyn Fudge, Lisa Henderson, Becky Houle arrived at 6:36 PM to the meeting in progress.

Guests: None

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda: A motion to approve the agenda for the February 28, 2017 board meeting was made by Chris Helgeson. Jen Knox seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Board Minutes: Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve the January 24, 2017 school board minutes. Lynn Lopez seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Communication to the Board: None

Reports:

Financial: Wandah Messinger was unable to attend the meeting. Superintendent Patrick Dehuff reviewed the budget status report and the enrollment report with the board. The budget status report and the enrollment report is attached to these minutes.

Staff: No report

Student Representative: No report

Principal: Mrs. Henderson said that she has three elementary curriculum (Houghton-Mifflin, McGraw Hill and Pearson) for the staff to review. Staff will evaluate up to five different curriculums. They will bring the information from the review of curriculum to the board sometime this Spring with their recommendation of a curriculum to adopt. We just completed professional development for the Guided Language Acquisition Design (GLAD) program. Mrs. Henderson is working on revamping the homework club program with a focus on reading. Some of our instructional staff have been attending the program, Positive Behavioral and Intervention Supports (PBIS), which focuses on recognizing and rewarding positive behavior. Non-instructional staff will receive training in PBIS as

well. Recent professional development has focused on the use of technology. Staff wants to become more proficient with their email, calendars etc. In March, a community meeting will be scheduled to discuss a proposed policy for the use of force if the school is faced with an active shooter situation.

Superintendent: Dr. Dehuff reviewed the results of two audits of Easton School. The first was the “Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)” audit by the Washington State Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI). There are four levels with level one being the most favorable rating. Easton School District was informed that they met all requirements of IDEA and received a level one rating. The next audit that was discussed was the “Washington State Auditor’s Office financial audit of Easton School District. The financial audit concluded that Easton School District was “in substantial compliance with applicable state laws, regulations, and its own policies” and that no weaknesses in controls over the safeguarding of public resources were found.

Superintendent Dehuff mentioned that one of the capital projects that will need to be addressed this summer is the replacement of the flooring and sub-floor of the commons and hallways. Unfortunately, when the floor covering was laid (over ten years ago), the sub-floor was particle board. Over time, this has caused the tile to warp and some tiles are lifting up from the floor. The only long term solution is to replace the sub-floor with more something more durable and replace the flooring. This project would be best done over the summer so that instruction is not interrupted.

Board: Board Chair Lynn Lopez discussed the need to repair the floors. She is working with Superintendent Dehuff on developing a spread sheet on Capital Projects priorities. In upcoming board meetings, Lynn Lopez would like to have a review of the combined sports program and a discussion on whether public comment should be included on the agenda of board meetings.

Board Business: There were two school days that were closed this winter due to bad weather and road conditions. The district is required to have 180 instructional days in a school year. The board already approved February 21st as one of the snow make-up days. Mrs. Henderson requested that the second snow make-up day be scheduled on March 31, 2017. Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve March 31, 2017 as the make-up day. Jen Knox seconded the motion and the motion carried. There was an interview held for a school nurse by four staff members. They interviewed Annemarie Hill, who is a resident of Roslyn. Ms. Hill has experience working for Virginia Mason, public health, and as a substitute school nurse. She is all processed and approve by the State requirements to work in a public school. If the hiring of Ms. Annemarie Hill is approved by the board, she will start when the district returns from spring break. Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve the hiring of Ms. Annemarie Hill for the school nurse. Lynn Lopez seconded the motion and the motion carried. On April 22, 2017, there will be a drill in the building for an active shooter in the building.

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

Meeting Adjourned: Chris Helgeson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lynn Lopez seconded the motion and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:36 PM.


Patrick Dehuff
Superintendent


Lynn Lopez
Board Chair