

Easton School District No. 28
Meeting of the Board of Directors
April 24, 2018
Jennie Marie Giovenale-Austin Library

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Chris Helgeson at 6:30 PM.

Attendance: John Jensen, Chris Helgeson, Jen Knox

Board Members Absent: Lynn Lopez, Amy Grove

Staff Members Present: Patrick Dehuff, Marilyn Fudge, Cece Badda, Dawn Bechtholdt

Guests: April Simonson, Amanda Zimmerman, Sarah Conner, Madison Aper, Haden Zimmerman, Joe Ratkoviak, Kaylin Aper

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda: Jen Knox made a motion to approve the agenda for the April 24, 2018 board meeting, with the removal of the Executive Session from the agenda. John Jensen seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Communication to the Board: None

Board Minutes: John Jensen made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 27, 2018 board meeting. Jen Knox seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Financial: Superintendent Dehuff reviewed the budget status report with the board. The budget reports are attached.

Reports:

Staff: Ms. Badda expressed how proud she is of the archers that traveled to Utah for the National Archery Tournament. She thanked the parents of the archers for their help and the school board, staff and community for their support. While in Utah for the National Archery Tournament, the archers were able to go to many places. They toured the Easton Foundation, where the arrows are manufactured. They also had the opportunity to practice on the Olympic range. All eight archers qualified for the World Archery competition in June. Ms. Badda requested approval from the board for out of State travel for the eight archers. Jen Knox made a motion to approve the request of out of State travel for the archers in June. John Jensen seconded the motion and the motion carried. Becky Houle, K-1st grade students are thrilled to have sunny days in which they are able to go outside and exercise their gross motor muscles. The Kindy's are experiencing the "ah ha" moments in Reading. The first graders have completed two animal research papers and are beginning opinion papers. Ms. McCoy, 2nd and 3rd grade teacher shared that the 3rd grade class went on a field trip to Ellensburg to learn the many aspects of the agriculture. It was informative and hands on for them. The 2nd grade class is piloting Smithsonian science Unit called "how can

we keep soil from washing away”. Bridges math is going strong in the first and second grade. Gretchen Jenkins shared that her students had a wonderful time at their annual transition skills field trip. They toured the tulip fields, Western Washington University, enjoyed a walk along the waterfront in Bellingham, and went to Leavenworth where they had dinner. Ms. Badda said that the art class is creating a glass mosaic to be on display as you enter the gym. Easton Archers taught two sessions of archery to students from Central Washington University. Lifetime Fitness will be attending the Fly Fishing Fair in Ellensburg on May 4th. They will be attending a variety of workshops including one on entomology. The class is also getting ready for bike rides to areas around Easton School. Students in the Journalism class, under the direction of Tracy Van Lone and Marchel Allenbaugh, has solicited for ads, and has been working hard to complete the yearbook so it is available by the end of the school year. A spring delivery is anticipated by the students. “Facing the Dragon”, a Vietman war mystery thriller, a book that is written by Dr. Derrick is hot off the press. He presented a copy to each staff member.

Principal: Mrs. Bechtholdt shared that the Bridges math curriculum in the elementary is going well. The students are engaged. We had visitors from the TEALS program in the building recently. Marchel Allenbaugh will be recording a public service announcement from her students. We will be attending a second session of Positive Behavior Intervention System (PBIS). Our nurse, Rachel Henderson had her baby. Kittitas County deputies are visiting the school more often so the students can become familiar with them. We are working on the schedule for the 2018-19 school year. Dr. Dehuff and Mrs. Bechtholdt will be meeting with the families of our out-of-district students. ASB is will be reviewing the end of the year field trips.


Superintendent: The class of 2018 has seniors that have been in Easton school since elementary school. The graduation ceremony will be on June 9th, 2018 at 12:00pm. Changes are being driven by the recent McCleary decision passing the bill. Dr. Dehuff has been to three meetings that the discussion is regarding the new funding. The law is not clear. It is subject to interpretation. We don't know at this time how it will all work. Our ESD has voiced their concerns. The staff is saying that we now have “more funding” available. Superintendent Dehuff shared that he does not want to RIF (reduction in force) anyone. Superintendent Dehuff shared sad news that a former student of ours had committed suicide. The young man was in our school for his elementary years. It is a tragedy to lose any child.

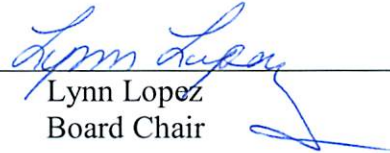
Board: John Jensen mentioned that Kent and Cathy Schoop are the Grand Marshalls for the Easton Memorial parade this year.

Board Business: Resolution #437 provides the opportunity for Easton School District to be part of a Transportation Cooperative, with Cle Elum-Roslyn School District, and Thorp School District. There is no financial obligation for the district and the Transportation Cooperative will provide cost savings for bus maintenance and repairs, and bus driver training. Jen Knox made a motion to approve Resolution #437. John Jensen seconded the motion and the motion carried.

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

Meeting Adjourned: Jen Knox made a motion to adjourn the meeting. John Jensen seconded the motion and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned sat 7:34 pm.


Patrick Dehuff
Superintendent


Lynn Lopez
Board Chair