

Easton School District No. 28  
Meeting of the Board of Directors  
June 23, 2015  
Jennie Marie Giovenale-Austin Library

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair, Kathie Stratton at 6:30 P.M.

**Attendance:**

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

Board Members Absent: Lynn Lopez

Staff Members Present: Patrick Dehuff, Lisa Henderson, Wandah Messinger, Marilyn Fudge,  
Ofelia Todd

Guests: None

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approve Agenda:** Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve the agenda for the June 28, 2015 board meeting. Anna Dodge seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**Communication to the Board:** None

**Reports:**

**Financial:** The board reviewed the Budget Status Report for the month of May with Business Manager Wandah Messinger. Mrs. Messinger discussed the Capital Projects funds and plans to enhance safety issues in the building over the summer. She expressed how well the Associated Student Body (ASB) has done managing their funds this school year. She met with the newly elected ASB officers to work on a budget for the 2015-2016 school year. The scholarships that were awarded at the graduation will not show in the Private Trust accounts until the colleges contact the district with the student information. The enrollment stayed level through the 2014-15 school year and we are budgeting for 107 students in the 2015-2016 school year.

**Staff:** None

**Students:** None

**Principal:** Lisa Henderson discussed with the need to add a policy for student promotion and retention. Lisa Henderson and Patrick Dehuff will work on an administrative procedure to accompany this policy. Lisa Henderson distributed copies of q proposed 2015-2016 class schedule. She would like to see another CTE offering for students at Easton School. *The Chef*

will be offering an advanced cooking class this year for students for took the initial cooking class this last spring. Students will be signing up to be a team for robotics. The GEAR UP program is helping to support this elective. The cost for the curriculum of a proposed financial algebra class will be approximately \$1,500. This class will teach practical applications of Algebra including managing finances (taxes, investing, personal finances, etc). Another class that is being proposed is the Bible as Literature. We will have a parent's night in August so that students and their parents can review the course. The new English teacher, Mr. Jim Dick will be doing a school newspaper with the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders this coming year. The graduating class of 2019 will have new requirements to graduate. They will need two years of a foreign language. The summer GEAR UP program will be taking the students to Central Washington University for a camp this coming week. The kids are really excited! Mrs. Henderson attended the end of the year field trips. The elementary students went to Suncadia's pool for the day and the secondary students went to Slidewaters in Chelan. The Associated Student Body sponsored a field day for the students. This was a great day for students and staff. The State has adjusted its dual credit program. We are looking at possibly bringing a college course to Easton School. There are two students who will be participating in running start through CWU this coming school year. The college offers the courses on line, so students are able to take the classes from Easton School and still participate in the sports and activities at Easton School. We are reviewing the safety of the building for the students and staff and will have a parent meeting in August regarding safety as well. The building will have some changes in procedures for chaperones, entering the building, and visitors are in the building.

**Superintendent:** Superintendent Patrick Dehuff said the previous discussions in regards to the Capital Projects have been good. We will be designating \$100,000 from our general fund to address important projects that have been identified by the board. These include asphalt and concrete work to improve safety around the building and enhances safety measures inside the building as well (improved security of access to the building, ability to communicate throughout the building during lock-downs, etc.). We are getting bids for what is needed. Dr. Dehuff said that he appreciates all of the support and encouragement that he has received regarding his recent diagnosis of cancer. His treatment is going well and he is looking forward to the new school year.

**Board Chair:** None

**Board Member:** None

**Board Business:** Business manager, Wandah Messinger reviewed the budget status report. This report is attached to these minutes. Proposed Policy #2421, Promotion/Retention was discussed as a first read before the board. Mrs. Henderson stressed that retention of a student is only done when really needed. The discussion regarding the hiring of a paraprofessional to assist with secondary students was continued from the last meeting. Several new classes were proposed for the 2015-2016 school year. One of these new classes is "The Bible as Literature." Lisa Henderson led the discussion with the board explaining the class. She will be sending out the course description prior to scheduling students. There were some questions from the board concerning this proposed class. After further discussion and clarification by Lisa Henderson, Anna Dodge made a motion to approve adding "The Bible as Literature" to the 2015-2016 class

offerings. Chris Helgeson seconded the motion and the motion carried. A second class, "Financial Algebra" was presented to the board for approval for the 2015-2016 school year. Ken Everaert made a motion to approve the addition of the "Financial Algebra" class offering. Anna Dodge seconded the motion and the motion carried. One period for an additional CTE class was discussed. This would add another elective to the secondary schedule. Anna Dodge made a motion to approve adding a CTE class to the 2015-2016 class offerings. Chris Helgeson seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**Board Minutes:** Anna Dodge made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 26<sup>th</sup> 2015 board meeting. Chris Helgeson seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**Consent Agenda:** Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Anna Dodge seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**Meeting adjourned for an Executive Session:** At 8:15 PM, Board Chair Kathy Stratton adjourned for an Executive Session to discuss Superintendent Patrick Dehuff's contract, and Principal Lisa Henderson's contract. It was announced that the Executive Session was expected to last twenty minutes. At 8:35 PM, the board announced that the Executive Session will go an additional five minutes.

**Meeting Re-Convened:** Board Chair Kathie Stratton reconvened the regular board meeting at 8:40 PM. Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve Superintendent Dehuff's contract. Anna Dodge seconded the motion and the motion passed with a unanimous vote. Superintendent Dehuff requested a partial leave of absence for health reasons, reducing his contracted days (and pay) from 193 contracted days to 153 contracted days during the 2015-16 school year. Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve Superintendent Dehuff's request for a partial leave of absence for the 2015-16 school year. Anna Dodge seconded the motion and the motion passed with a unanimous vote. Anna Dodge made a motion to approve Principal Lisa Henderson's contract. Chris Helgeson seconded the motion and the motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**Meeting Adjourned for Executive Session:** Board Chair Kathie Stratton adjourned the regular meeting at 8:45 PM to discuss a complaint against a public employee. It was announced that the Executive Session was expected to last thirty minutes.

**Meeting Reconvened:** The board reconvened the regular board meeting at 9:15 PM. There was no action taken.

**Meeting Adjourned:** Chris Helgeson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Anna Dodge seconded the motion and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:16 PM.

  
Patrick Dehuff  
Superintendent

  
Kathie Stratton  
Board Chair