

Easton School District No. 28  
Meeting of the Board of Directors  
September 22, 2015  
Jennie Marie Giovenale-Austin Library

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Kathie Stratton 6:33 P.M.

**Attendance:**

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

Board Members Absent: Lynn Lopez

Staff Members Present: Patrick Dehuff, Wandah Messinger, Marilyn Fudge, Lisa Henderson  
Becky Houle

Guests: Ernest Henderson

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approve Agenda:** Anna Dodge made a motion to approve the agenda for the September 22, 2015 board meeting. Chris Helgeson seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**Communication to the Board:** None

**Reports:**

**Financial:** Business Manager Wandah Messinger reviewed the fund balances. The ASB students budgeted for \$31,216.00 last year. They ended at \$31,265.00. They did an excellent job with the funds.

**Staff:** Mrs. Houle represented the staff this evening. Mrs. Houle reported that the High School volleyball team competed in a tournament in Yakima. There were sixteen (16) teams competing from 8:00 AM to 6:00PM. The Thorp/Easton Bobcats finished roughly in 7<sup>th</sup> place. "Atta boy to both coaches". The archery class is going well. It has been an overall smooth start to the school year. The English teacher, Marchel Allenbaugh, is a great addition to the district, both for students and staff.

**Student:** None

**Principal:** Principal Lisa Henderson reported that 50% of the juniors passed the math testing. Seventh grade had a percentage of 54% passing. The 3<sup>rd</sup> grade math students all had good scores. The staff will receive a breakdown of the testing results. This will allow each staff member to adjust their teaching to meet the needs of students. Seven students out of nine passed the EOC. (Report is attached). We hope to see lots of growth this year with Smarter Balance. The professional development for staff will be implementing training on Smarter Balance and

standard based report cards. The staff has been asked to send in their choices for curriculum options. The GEAR UP program is working with James Guidrone to help him obtain his CTE endorsement.

**Superintendent:** Dr. Patrick Dehuff said that he appreciates that James Guidrone is excited to do so many things for the students. The next workshop, October 13<sup>th</sup> 2015 we will be discussing the McCleary lawsuit. The month of November the board generally does not have a board workshop because of the WSSDA conference. December is a short month, so generally there is no workshop. The regular board will still meet on the fourth Tuesday in November. The December board meeting date will be determined at the November meeting. The next workshop will be in January 2016. The WSSDA (Washington State School Directors Association) annual conference will be in November 2015, in Bellevue, WA. We will need to know who is interested in attending so that registration can be completed.

**Board Member:** None

**Board Chair:** None

**Board Business:** Ernest Henderson, GEAR UP started working at Easton last fall. GEAR UP helps students and families become college and career ready. Mr. Henderson discussed the field trips that GEAR UP sponsored this past year. One adventure was to have the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students attend Camp Seymour, a science camp that was a weekend of fun and learning. Students had the opportunity to attend a two week camp at Central Washington University. Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) opportunities are a major focus of the GEAR UP program. A robotics class was offered for competition. The participation was good in the robotics class. The GEAR UP program is a seven year program.

A discussion was held on the possibility of adding furniture to the commons area for secondary students. A list of surplus items that have been requested is attached. Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve the list of surplus items. Anna Dodge seconded the motion and the motion carried. Resolution #415 is a transfer of \$10,000 from the general fund to the transportation vehicle fund. Ken Everaert made a motion to approve resolution #415. Anna Dodge seconded the motion and the motion carried. The board was provided a revision of Policy #1430, communication to the board, for a first read. Ofelia Todd has been hired to assist with food service for school breakfast for the 2015-16 school year. This is a 45 minute position, and is a non-represented position. Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve this hire. Ken Everaert seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.


**Board Minutes:** Anna Dodge made a motion to approve the August 25, 2015 board minutes. Chris Helgeson seconded the motion and the motion carried. Kathie Stratton abstained from voting since she was absent from this meeting. The September payroll will be included in the next month's consent agenda.

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

**Meeting adjourned:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM. Chris Helgeson made the motion to adjourn. Ken Everaert seconded the motion and the motion carried.

At 8:01 PM the board went into a closed session to discuss contract negotiations with the negotiation team. The closed session adjourned at 9:17 PM

  
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Patrick Dehuff  
Superintendent

  
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Kathie Stratton  
Board Chair