

Easton School District No. 28
Meeting of the Board of Directors
December 11, 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, John Jensen, Amy Grove, Jen Knox, (via telephone)

Board Members Absent: Chris Helgeson

Staff Members Present: Patrick Dehuff, Marilyn Fudge, Dawn Bechtholdt, Becky Houle

Guests: April Simonson

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda: John Jensen made a motion to approve the agenda for the December 11, 2017 board meeting. Amy Grove seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Financial: Dustin Kinley will provide the financial report at our next board meeting since the December board meeting is early.

Communication to the Board: None

Board Minutes: Jen Knox made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 28, 2017 board meeting. Amy Grove seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Staff: Becky Houle presented on behalf of the staff. The elementary team worked with Rosalyn Miller last Friday for their professional development. Ms. Miller is a long-time Bridges Math Trainer 3-5, and is currently a Curriculum Coach for the Ellensburg School District. Ms. Miller is leading Ellensburg SD through a math pilot project. The group just finished with piloting Bridges Math. They were very impressed with the materials and alignment to common core. The next curriculum on the pilot road is Engage NY. We were able to share our experiences with that material. The team also worked on some next steps which include product reviews and research, as well as, continuing to pilot the Bridges materials at the Kindergarten, and 1st and 2nd grade levels. We hope to share our findings and adoption recommendation with you late winter or early spring. Sara McCoy and Becky Houle are a part of a small group of teachers piloting the new science kits for our ESD. We will be sharing our experiences with Science representatives at the ESD tomorrow.

Student Representative: No report

Principal Report: Principal Bechtholdt said that the staff is healthier after recovering from the winter bug. Ms. Allenbaugh is attending training to learn Virtual Reality. Professional Development will be spent learning how to use Google Apps, and the Skyward system. Kittitas

Valley Hospital donated water bottles to our students. Lyn Cox is a part of our team that is developing and implementing Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS). Sheriff Martin was in the school recently to visit with students. The Christmas play will be held on December 14th at 6:30 PM. Ms. Bechtholdt is looking into dual credits (high school and college) through Yakima Valley Community College. She is also investigating adding pre-AP curriculum coursework for our secondary students.

Superintendent: Dr. Dehuff will be hand delivering the signed Resolution #434 to the County. This resolution is to renew the existing Educational Programs and Operations levy. The Tribune newspaper is working with Dr. Dehuff on developing a levy fact sheet. December 19th is the staff Christmas party. It will be held at the Hideaway in Roslyn at 5:30 pm. The school will be out for Christmas break starting December 21st and school will resume on January 3rd. Superintendent Dehuff will continue to monitor the Marian Meadows development project proposal and provide updates to the board.

Board Report: A question was asked recently if a board member could come to the school and have lunch with the students. WSSDA encourages board members to visit the school. Becky Houle explained the procedure to visit a classroom. Board involvement is always welcome.


Board Business: Resolution # 437 was presented to the board as a result of the request made by Superintendent Dehuff to be insured by PEBB, similar to all other employees (who are at least half-time) in the district. There is no financial impact to the district. The resolution was prepared by Sagrario Jimenez, our payroll clerk. John Jensen made a motion to approve Resolution #437. Amy Grove seconded the motion and the motion carried.


Adjourn Regular Meeting: At 7:20 Amy Grove made a motion to adjourn to a closed meeting to discuss Union Contract negotiations with our certificated staff. John Jensen seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Reconvene Regular Meeting: At 7:33 the board reconvened their meeting. Lynn Lopez made a motion to approve the Certificated Union contract. Amy Grover 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: John Jensen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Amy Grove seconded the motion and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:38


Patrick Dehuff
Superintendent


Lynn Lopez
Board Chair