

Easton School District No. 28
Meeting of the Board of Directors
October 12, 2021
ZOOM/In Person

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by April Simonson at 5:30 PM.

Attendance: John Jensen, Jen Phillips (remote), April Simonson, Chris Helgeson, Phillip Meehan

Staff: Tim Berndt, Marilyn Fudge, Freida Ellison, Becky Houle, Ofelia Todd, Kyle Hickman, Jenny Jensen, Sydney Kretschman, Gretchen Jenkins

Board Members Absent:

Guests: Mark Venn, NW Leadership

Approve Agenda: Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve tonight's meeting agenda. John Jensen seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the board.

Board Minutes: Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve the 09-28-2021 minutes. Phillip Meehan seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of the board

Communication to the Board: None

Public Comment: None

Financials:

- GF 10-12-2021
- CP 10-12-2021

Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve funds. John Jensen seconded.

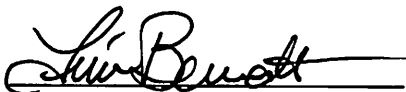
Board Business:

- Approval of NW Leadership Superintendent Search Timeline – Mark Venn discussed the timeline for the board to proceed with the Superintendent/Principal search for the district. The discussion included how much do they want to do remote versus in-person. There is a need to have a packet put together with as much information as possible for applicants. This will be given to groups associated with school districts. It will have information as

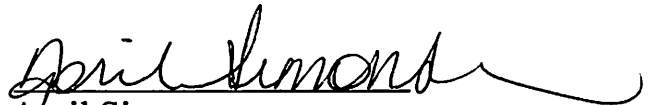
who the search company is, demographics, etc. There needs to be an online survey on website. Mr. Mark Venn will send survey to Tim Berndt and April Simonson to review. The calendar time schedule is attached to these minutes. The plan is to have a contract presented to a candidate by the March 22, 2022 board meeting. The new hire would start the position on July 1, 2022.

- Calendar of Search Timeline: Phillip Meehan made a motion to approve the Search Calendar presented by NW Leadership. Jen Phillips seconded the motion. The calendar timeline was approved.
- Re-Open the Preschool Para Position: Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve re-opening the Preschool Para position. Jen Phillips seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- Recommendation to hire – Mr. Tim Berndt recommended the hiring of Lindy Wells for the Business Manager position. Three people were interviewed. All were good candidates. Ms. Wells will start on November 22, 2021. The current business manager, Freida Ellison, joined the conversation to clear the dates of her departure. Ms. Ellison stated that she has commitments. John Jensen made a motion to approve Lindy Wells hiring as the business manager. Chris Helgeson seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- Retirement - Mrs. Marilyn Fudge has submitted a letter to the district administration and the school board that she will be retiring effective 12/31/2021. Phillip Meehan made a motion to approve her request. Chris Helgeson seconded. Mrs. Fudge's retirement was approved.
- Cresto House – The district purchased the Cresto house next to the school this year. There was a discussion as to whether the house could be rented, or added into the superintendent search as a place to reside.

Meeting Adjourned: Phillip Meehan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. John Jensen seconded. The meeting adjourned at 6:50pm.



Mr. Tim Berndt
Interim Principal/Superintendent



April Simonson
Board Chair