

Easton School District No. 28

Agenda

January 25, 2022

Via ZOOM/In Person

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Phillip Meehan, Vice Chair, at 5:30 PM.

Attendance: John Jensen, Jen Phillips, Chris Helgeson, Phillip Meehan

Staff: Tim Berndt, Gretchen Jenkins, Lyn Cox, Lindy Wells, Becky Houle, Julie Miller, Jackie Tate, Joe Bufi, Jenny Jensen, Lisa Eyerly, Kyle Hickman

Board Members Absent: April Simonson

Guests: Marilyn Fudge, Teri Campbell

Approve Agenda: Jen Phillips made a motion to approve tonight's agenda with the change moving Teacher Contract Agreement from Board Business to after Public Comment Section. Chris Helgeson seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the board.

Board Minutes: Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve the 01-11-2022 minutes. Jen Phillips seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of the board

Communication to the Board: None

Public Comment: None

Interim Superintendent/Principal Tim Berndt, presented a three (3) year contract for the teachers. Teachers and administration were happy with the final contract. Mr. Berndt recommended the board approve this contract. Jen Phillips made a motion to approve the three (3) year contract. Phillip Meehan seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Reports:

- **Financial** - Lindy Wells, business manager, said that payroll has been her biggest hurdle. Fund balances are: General fund \$307,846.03, Capital projects \$112,466.27, Debt service \$38580.92, ASB \$23,080.59, Transportation \$30,656.42. Student enrollment January 5 was 80.7 FTE.
- **Consent Agenda** - Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Jen Phillips seconded. The motion was approved.
- **Student or ASB** - Jenny Jensen reported on behalf of the ASB. The ASB is working towards spring events for students. They have quite a few fun events planned. All events will follow the COVID regulations and tentatively will occur in the evening to not interrupt instructional time. Senior tees and tee shirt from the fund raiser are expected by the end of February.
- **Staff** - Lyn Cox Gretchen Jenkins presented the staff report. Report is attached.
- Superintendent/Principal - January board appreciation month. There is a presentation in the front entrance way that was created by one of our new students. Thank you to the board for all that you do for the school. We are at the end of semester. Staff and students are working hard.

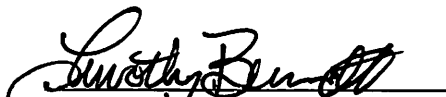
Beginning in April and through May we will be looking at a book study. OSPI sent us the books for free. There will be enough for the board members to have one. We need to consider hiring an architect to design the front of the Cresto house. Mr. Berndt said that at the next board meeting he will be bringing a proposal to recommend hiring a part time employee. This person would be hired to assist Steve Jensen, Transportation-Maintenance Supervisor with the additional work. Mr. Meehan said the person hired should have a valid CDL license.

Board Report: John Jensen is asking about the car show, bouncy houses, use of reader board on school grounds to promote Memorial Day Parade, etc. Yes.

Board Business:

- **Teacher Contract Agreement - moved up the agenda**
- **Contract Revision - Jensen, S** - Mr. Berndt is recommending an increase in salary for Steve Jensen. Steve Jensen has worked under the same contract for a few years. We need to pay him what he is worth. Mr. Berndt is recommending an increase in salary, retroactive to September 2021. Jen Phillips made a motion to approve the salary increase for Steve Jensen. Phillip Meehan seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- **Acceptance: Letters of Retirement:** We have two (2) letters from staff members requesting retirement at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. Ms. Gretchen Jenkins, and Dr. Phillip Derrick. Chris Helgeson made a motion to approve the retirement requests. John Jensen seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- **Posting New Positions** - We will have two (2) positions opening for the next school year. Mr. Berndt would like permission from the board to post the Special Education position now. Jen Phillips made a motion approving the posting of the open Special Education position. Chris Helgeson seconded the motion. The motion was approved.
- **Board Elections:** The board nominates board members for these positions annually.
 1. **Chair** -Chris Helgeson made a motion requesting April Simonson remain as board chair. Jen Phillips seconded the motion. All voted yes. April Simonson will continue as the board chair.
 2. **Vice Chair** - Phillip Meehan was also nominated to continue as vice chair at the same time. It was passed.
 3. **Legislative Representative** – John Jensen will continue as the legislative representative.

Meeting Adjourned: John Jensen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Phillip Meehan seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20.


Timothy Berndt, Interim
Superintendent/Principal


Phillip Meehan
School Board Vice Chair