

EAST WASHINGTON SCHOOL CORPORATION SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

SUPERINTENDENT
Dennis Stockdale

BOARD OF EDUCATION:

Hector Nale, President; Theresa Gottbrath, Vice President; Linda McClellan, Secretary
Tom Coats, member; Jeff Clem, member

Monday, May 8, 2017 4:00 pm

Admin. Bldg. Board Room

LEGAL MINUTES – Work Session May 8, 2017

Members Present

Hector Nale, President
Theresa Gottbrath, Vice President
Linda McClellan, Secretary
Tom Coats, Member
Jeff Clem, Member

Members Absent

Guests

NEWS MEDIA:

NEWSPAPER

Salem Leader, Kate Wehlann

OFFICIAL GUESTS:

Mr. Dennis Stockdale, Superintendent
Mr. Greg Hopkins, Trans. Director/Asst. to Superintendent
Mrs. Kendra Floyd, Human Resources Director

UNOFFICIAL GUESTS:

Tom Durkin
Jami Krynski, PSG Energy Group
Evan Zinser
Katie Hutchinson
Michelle Fowler

The work session was called to order at 4:07 p.m.

Soccer

Mr. Stockdale introduced Evan Zinser and Michelle Fowler who asked the board about the possibility of starting a soccer program at East Washington Elementary School. Currently students from East Washington must play soccer at Salem, Borden, or Jeffersonville. They stated that ½ of Borden's team is East Washington students.

Jeff Clem responded that he would like to gauge interest before going to the expense of forming a program. Mr. Stockdale asked Katie Hutchinson, Technology Director, to create an East Washington Elementary Survey for this purpose. She suggested using a Facebook Page to gauge interest.

There has not been any checks into insurance or costs or equipment as of yet. In the other leagues, students receive a shirt, and parents purchase needed equipment. Restroom access, and a place to practice and play would be needed.

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iPads for EWES

Katie Hutchinson, Technology Director, discussed the need to purchase iPads for the 1:1 program next year. She would like to include first through third grade and would need approximately \$100,000 to purchase the equipment. She stated that the current iPad2's could be sold to raise up to approximately \$50,000 toward the cost of the new equipment. The 3 year lease would be 3 payments of \$34,000.00 each. The first payment could be made by selling the old iPads. Grades 4-12 would use Chromebooks, and grant money will help with that program. Mr. Stockdale added that replacement schedules would be staggered, and that parents would purchase insurance. Tom Coats inquired as to whether iPads would be taken home by students. Mrs. Hutchinson replied that she was not sure yet. She also stated that an additional \$47,000.00 would allow the program to be extended to kindergarten students.

Solar

Tom Durkin presented information to the Board about the HVAC project and said that this may change the size of the solar field that is needed. Mr. Stockdale stated that he wanted to be certain that the correct number of solar panels were installed to meet current and future needs

Mr. Stockdale stated that there would be a meeting after the work session to approve getting contracts signed. The corporation must move quickly to be certain that the 30 year net metering contract goal is reachable. The project must be completed by December 31, 2017 to reach this goal. After this year, it would only be 15 years of net metering. Tom Coats inquired as to whether the utility company would be able to "get out" of the 30 year metering. Jami Krynski, PSG Energy Group, said no.

Jami Krynski, PSG Energy Group, stated that the system was designed and he was just waiting for word to move forward. By the end of the week, there would be offers from three lenders. The project was under the industry standard for pricing. The next step was to find financing to match that. The best possibility would be a 20 year term, with the lowest interest rate possible.

Adjournment

The work session was adjourned at 5:40 pm.

Hector Nale, President of the Board

Linda McClellan, Secretary of the Board