

# **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

Tuesday, May 23, 2017 5:00 pm

Admin. Bldg. Board Room

## **PUBLIC HEARING/REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – May 23, 2017**

### **Members Present**

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

### **Members Absent**

Hector Nale, President

### **Guests**

#### **NEWS MEDIA:**

#### **NEWSPAPER**

Salem Leader, Kate Wehlann

#### **OFFICIAL GUESTS:**

Mr. Dennis Stockdale, Superintendent  
Mr. Greg Hopkins, Trans. Director/Asst. to Superintendent  
Mrs. Debbie Esarey, ES Principal  
Mrs. Amber King, MS Principal  
Mrs. Katie Hutchinson, Technology Director  
Mrs. Donna Campbell, Admin. Secretary

#### **UNOFFICIAL GUESTS:**

Lisa Bricker	Brenda Hayes
Olivia Fleming	Emilie Adamson
Baylie Young	Ruthie Hayes
Delaney Bricker	Kaylee Harris
Addy Harris	Taylor Brown
Rosie Sorrell	Emily Browning
George Browning	Kaelin Hopper
Shae Calfee	Olivia Dixon
Liberty Lincks	Teagan Davis
Natalie Adamson	Bianca Garcia
Jordynn Cleek	Hailey Crumpton
Shelby Nunley	

### **Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance**

Vice President Theresa Gottbrath led the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence was observed.

Vice President Theresa Gottbrath called the public hearing to order at 5:00 p.m.

## **PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED SUPERINTENDENT CONTRACT**

The details of the proposed contract were presented. There was no opposition to the proposed contract.

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## **Adjournment**

The public hearing was adjourned at 5:01 p.m.

Motion: Linda McClellan

Seconded: Jeff Clem

Vote: 4-0

## **REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

Vice-President Theresa Gottbrath called the regular meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

## **Mission Statement**

Vice President Theresa Gottbrath read the Mission Statement.

## **Recognitions**

The Board recognized the East Washington Middle School Starz Dance team and the Eastern High School Starz Dance team. Mr. George Browning, parent, praised the dance team coaches, Shelby Nunley and Ericka Campbell, and commented that the Corporation was very lucky to have them as role models for our students.

## **School Corporation Aims & Reports**

### **East Washington Elementary School Report**

Mrs. Debbie Esarey, ES Principal reported that much had been happening at East Washington Elementary School as the school year was drawing to a close. She reported that there would be four retirements at the elementary. The Art Fair was to be held that evening as a fundraiser to help cover costs for Jane Sizemore as she travels for medical treatments. Mrs. Esarey also stated that East Washington Elementary School would be a Gold Star School in the fall and presented information to the Board concerning the Gold Star Counseling program goals for 2017/18.

### **East Washington Middle School Report**

Mrs. Amber King, MS Principal, reported events that have taken place as the school year ends. Students were given a 25 question test about the new Musketeer Creed that has been in place for this school year. The average score for this test was 23 out of 25. Mrs. King also stated that more STEM classes would be offered next year. Anna Endris will be a certified Project Lead the Way teacher for 6<sup>th</sup> grade and will offer Engineering and Technology classes. Mrs. King reported that 4<sup>th</sup> grade students had visited the middle school and the most

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asked question was “When will we know what ‘House’ we will be placed in?” She was excited to discover that word was spreading about the events happening at East Washington Middle School.

## **Eastern High School Report**

No Report

## **Transportation/Food Services Report**

Mr. Greg Hopkins, Transportation Director, reported that East Washington School Corporation was still in need of bus drivers.

Mr. Greg Hopkins, Food Service Director, reported that there would be a new lunch program at the beginning of the 2017/18 school year.

## **Technology Report**

Mrs. Katie Hutchinson updated the Board concerning the second e-learning day. She reported attendance rates and comments from parents, which were very positive. Mr. Dennis Stockdale, Superintendent, stressed that the key to e-learning is to get the word out that parents were not expected to “teach” the lesson. E-learning is an extension of the classroom.

## **Superintendent Report**

Mr. Dennis Stockdale, Superintendent, stated that the most positive thing about this school year has been the East Washington Staff. He commented that East Washington needs to continue to create opportunities for the teachers so that they may create new opportunities for students.

Mr. Stockdale provided an update on the Solar Project. He commented that the Solar Financing Agreement would be postponed to a later date, but that everything was still on track to get started in approximately three weeks. Mr. Tom Durkin will be present at the Board work session on June 13.

Mr. Stockdale spoke concerning updates to the 2017/18 employee handbook to be approved later in the meeting. He commented that there would be one additional update: substitute custodial pay will increase to \$11.25 per hour.

## **Public Comments**

None

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## **Approval of Minutes and Executive Session**

Board did meet in Executive Session for discussion of strategy for the following reason(s): (9) To discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. This subdivision does not apply to a discussion of the salary, compensation, or benefits of employees during a budget process in accordance with I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)( - ) on May 8, 2017 immediately following the regular meeting

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of Tuesday, April 25, 2017 and the Work Session and Meeting of Monday, May 8, 2017 were approved with any additions, corrections, or deletions as recommended by the Board.

Motion: Jeff Clem  
Seconded: Tom Coats  
Vote: 4-0

## **Consent Items:**

### A. Approval of Claims/Payroll/Financial Statements/Bank Reconciliation

The monthly Claims/Payroll/Financial Statements/Bank Reconciliation were presented to the Board. The Board approved the monthly Financial Reports as presented.

After due consideration, the same was approved.

Motion: Linda McClellan  
Seconded: Jeff Clem  
Vote: 4-0

## **Personnel**

### A. Approval of Personnel Changes

Superintendent Stockdale recommended that the Board approve the personnel changes as outlined:

#### **EMPLOYMENT OF STAFF**

##### Certified

- ✓ Mr. Farris, HS Principal, recommends Ruthanne Harbeson, Mike Snow and Travis Daily (Mr. Snow and Mr. Daily will teach 2 weeks each) as Summer School Teachers.
- ✓ Mrs. Esarey, ES Principal, recommends Amanda Hicks, as the Summer School Reading Instructor.

##### Extra-Curricular

- ✓ Mr. Farris, HS Principal, recommendations for ECA Coaches for 2017/18:

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- Luke Dean as Varsity Football Coach
  - Darin Farris, Kendall Martin, Beau Dean and Scott Stewart as Varsity Assistant Football Coaches
  - Mark Olesh as Varsity Boys Cross Country Coach
  - Sue Shipman as Varsity Girls Cross Country Coach
  - Carissa Embry as Varsity Girls Golf Coach
  - Samantha Green as Volleyball Coach
  - Scott Newcomb as Varsity Boys Basketball Coach
  - Josh Green as Varsity Boys Assistant Basketball Coach
  - Todd Albertson as 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach
  - Mike McBride as Varsity Girls Basketball Coach
  - Kendall Martin and Carissa Embry as Varsity Girls Assistant Basketball Coaches
  - Scott Stewart, Joe Terry and Chris Hinkle as Varsity Wrestling Coaches
- ✓ Mr. Farris, HS Principal, recommends Mike McBride and Tom Cullen as Drivers Education instructors for 2016/2017
- ✓ Mrs. King, MS Principal, recommends Megan Kirtley as MS Dance Coach for 2017/18

## **POINT OF INFORMATION**

### **Retirement(s)**

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- ✓ Mr. Stockdale, Superintendent, accepted the retirement letter submitted by RoseAnn Callahan effective May 30, 2017.
- ✓ Mr. Stockdale, Superintendent, accepted the retirement letter submitted by Jane Sizemore effective August 1, 2017.

### **Resignation(s)**

#### Classified

- ✓ Mr. Stockdale, Superintendent, accepted the resignation letter submitted by Brad Naugle as a Regular Route Bus Driver effective May 17, 2017.
- ✓ Mr. Stockdale, Superintendent, accepted the resignation letter submitted by Samantha Green as High School Study Hall Monitor effective the end of 2016/17 school year.

#### Extra-Curricular

- ✓ Mr. Stockdale, Superintendent, accepted the resignation letter submitted by Brad Bastian as MS Tennis Coach.

### **Termination(s)**

#### Classified

- ✓ Mr. Stockdale, Superintendent, recommended the termination of Mary Applegate as High School Custodian, effective April 21, 2017.

### **Volunteers**

- ✓ Mr. Farris, HS Principal recommends Tim Brown, Brant Stewart and Taylor Branaman as Volunteer Assistant Football Coaches for 2017/18.

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After due consideration, the same was approved.

Motion: Linda McClellan  
Seconded: Jeff Clem  
Vote: 4-0

## **Action Items**

### **A. Washington County Community Foundation Appointment**

Ms. Lindsey Wade-Swift of the Washington County Community Foundation presented Greg Hopkins as a candidate to serve on the Foundation's Board.

It was recommended that the Board approve Greg Hopkins to serve on the Washington County Community Foundation Board until 6/30/20.

After due consideration, the same was approved.

Motion: Jeff Clem  
Seconded: Linda McClellan  
Vote: 4-0

### **B. Approval of Classified Employee Handbook**

It was recommended that the Board approve the 2017-18 Classified Employee Handbook with one additional update; the substitute custodial pay rate will increase to \$11.25 per hour.

After due consideration, the same was approved.

Motion: Jeff Clem  
Seconded: Tom Coats  
Vote: 4-0

### **C. Declaration of Surplus/Obsolete Equipment/Furniture**

In keeping with Board Policy 7310, it was recommended that the Board consider the requests to declare the following as obsolete/surplus equipment:

#### **East Washington Elementary School:**

Minute Man carpet extractor  
Multi clean wet vac

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After due consideration, the same was approved.

Motion: Tom Coats  
Seconded: Linda McClellan  
Vote: 4-0

## D. Approval of IPAD Lease/Purchase Agreement

It was recommended that the Board approve the IPAD Lease/Purchase agreement as presented.

After due consideration, the same was approved.

Motion: Linda McClellan  
Seconded: Tom Coats  
Vote: 4-0

## E. Approval of Lighting Contract

It was recommended that the Board approve the Guaranteed Savings Contract between East Washington School Corporation and Shambaugh & Son, L.P. (An EMCOR Company) for facility improvements at Eastern High School, East Washington Middle School, and East Washington Elementary School as presented.

After due consideration, the same was approved.

Motion: Tom Coats  
Seconded: Jeff Clem  
Vote: 4-0

## F. Approval of Solar Finance Agreement

POSTPONED (TO BE PRESENTED AT A LATER MEETING)

## G. Approval of Bus Driver Longevity Bonus

It was recommended that the Board approve the payment of longevity bonuses to bus drivers as presented. This bonus is funded by the cost savings in the Transportation Department and is an effort to attract and keep bus drivers.

After due consideration, the same was approved.

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## H. Tentative Budget Preparation Schedule

The Tentative Budget Preparation Schedule was presented for Board review. It was recommended that the Board approve the 2018 Budget Calendar as presented.

After due consideration, the same was approved.

Motion: Tom Coats

Seconded: Linda McClellan

Vote: 4-0

## I. Approval of Special Education Memorandum of Understanding

It was recommended that the board approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between South Central Area Special Education Cooperative Education Association and East Washington School Corporation as presented. This agreement facilitates the transfer of South Central Special Education employees to East Washington School Corporation employees.

After due consideration, the same was approved.

Motion: Tom Coats

Seconded: Jeff Clem

Vote: 4-0

## J. Approval of Outdoors Field Trip Grant-Indiana Natural Resources Foundation

It was recommended that the Board approve the Outdoors Field Trip Grant sponsored by the Discovering the Outdoors Fund in the Indiana Natural Resources Foundation as submitted by Stacy Sullivan, ES Teacher.

After due consideration, the same was approved.

Motion: Linda McClellan

Seconded: Jeff Clem

Vote: 4-0

## K. As needed - None

## **Board Member Comments & Committee Reports**

Theresa Gottbrath reported that popcorn and pumpkins had been planted.

Linda McClellan commented that there was always something exciting going on at East Washington Schools.

Tom Coats reported that the track team had students attend regionals.



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## **Announcements**

None

## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:04 pm. The next School Board Work Session is scheduled for Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 5:00 pm. The next School Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at 5:00 pm.

Motion: Jeff Clem

Seconded: Tom Coats

Vote: 4-0

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Hector Nale, President of the Board

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Linda McClellan, Secretary of the Board