

# **EAST WASHINGTON SCHOOL CORPORATION SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

SUPERINTENDENT  
Dennis Stockdale

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

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 5:00 p.m.  
Admin. Bldg. Board Room, 1050 N Eastern School Rd, Pekin, IN 47165

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## **LEGAL MINUTES – March 13, 2018**

### **Members Present**

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

### **Members Absent**

Hector Nale, Member

### **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  
Mr. Darin Farris, HS Principal

#### **UNOFFICIAL GUESTS:**

Kendra Floyd  
Jodi Cole

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

President Tom Coats led the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence was observed.  
President Tom Coats called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

### **Mission Statement**

Vice-President Jeff Clem read the Mission Statement following the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **School Corporation Aims & Reports**

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

Mrs. Debbie Esarey, ES Principal, reported that several rounds of testing had been completed. The Read-In and Jump Rope for Heart had also been completed. Kindergarten registration was to take place on Thursday. Mrs. Esarey also shared some student written books by Mrs. Sullivan's and Mrs. Dixon's class that had been bound and published.

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

none

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## **Eastern High School Report**

Mr. Darin Farris shared the state approved graduation pathway that would impact current 7<sup>th</sup> grade students. Graduation requirements would change beginning with that class. Three components would be used to enable a student to graduate:

1. Diploma (state currently working on requirements)
2. Learn and demonstrate employability skills (project based learning, service based learning, or work based learning)
3. Post-secondary ready competencies (honors diploma, academic or technical), college ready benchmarks on ACT or SAT, certain technical certifications, dual credit, locally created pathway approved by DOE)

Mr. Farris reported that plans were being put in place to ensure that our students would meet all of these requirements.

## **Transportation/Food Services Report**

Mr. Hopkins reported that all was well in Transportation and Food Services at this time.

## **Superintendent Report**

Mr. Stockdale, Superintendent, informed the Board that he was adding a letter of retirement from Scott Newcomb as HS Varsity Basketball Coach to the personnel that would be approved later in the meeting. Mr. Stockdale added that Mr. Newcomb had been coaching for 20 years, had represented the school well, and would remain on staff as Athletic Director. Mr. Stockdale stressed that EHS currently had no teaching positions open and that the replacement coach would come from within staff currently employed.

Mr. Stockdale told the Board that a Letter of Intent would need to be approved later in the meeting for up to \$2,000,000 maximum to get equipment ordered for the elementary school HVAC project that would take place during summer break.

Mr. Stockdale spoke to the Board concerning school safety. The camera system would be installed next week at the elementary school. A panic button had also been installed in the office of all three schools. The high school office entryway was currently being evaluated for safety improvements. The addition of a bullet resistant film was also being considered for windows in all buildings. Staff crisis training with law enforcement officials would take place later in the spring.

Mr. Stockdale updated the Board on costs of the projected HVAC projects for all schools. The guaranteed maximums for each school would be as follows:

1. Elementary - \$4,100,000
2. High School - \$2,500,000
3. Middle School - \$2,500,000

The maximum projected growth in tax rate was 5%, but Mr. Stockdale was hoping to decrease that rate to 3%. The advertisement for the 1028 Public Hearing would be approved later in the meeting.

Mr. Stockdale pointed out that these projects would have a guaranteed maximum charge and no change orders that would cost the school more dollars. If anything was missed, the responsibility was on the provider (EMCOR). Negotiation power allows additional control of costs. Guaranteed performance allows East

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Washington to receive refunds if the HVAC system does not perform as guaranteed. Open book contract allows East Washington to negotiate markups on equipment and labor costs to maintain more control and be prudent with taxpayer dollars. Mr. Stockdale informed the Board that at the 1028 Hearing an 8 or 9% tax rate may be included in the bond language, but he is committed to managing other funds to keep tax increase of 3-4% rather than the projected 8%.

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

The minutes of the Regular Meetings of March 1, 2018 and March 6, 2018 were approved with any additions, corrections, or deletions as recommended by the Board.

Motion: Jeff Clem

Seconded: Theresa Gottbrath

Vote: 4-0

## **Consent Items:**

### A. Approval of Claims

It was recommended that the Board approve Vendor Claims # 11195 to and including # 11244 and Direct Deposit Advices # 55032 to and including # 55272.

Motion: Linda McClellan

Seconded: Theresa Gottbrath

Vote: 4-0

### B. Approval of Monthly Financial Reports

The Board approved the monthly Financial Reports as presented.

Motion: Theresa Gottbrath

Seconded: Linda McClellan

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## **Personnel**

### C. Approval of Personnel Changes

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

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## **EMPLOYMENT OF STAFF**

Extra-Curricular

✓ Mrs. King, MS Principal, recommended Tom Cullen as MS Boys Track Coach.

## **POINT OF INFORMATION**

### **Retirement**

Certified

✓ Mr. Stockdale accepted the retirement letter submitted by Scott Newcomb as HS Varsity Basketball Coach effective March 5, 2018.

### **Resignation(s)**

Extra-Curricular

✓ Mr. Stockdale accepted the resignation letter submitted by Chelsea Clark as 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade Cheer Coach effective March 1, 2018.

### **Volunteers**

✓ Mr. Farris, HS Principal, recommended Calise Bradbury as a Volunteer Volleyball Assistant Coach for the 2018/19 school year.

After due consideration, the same was approved.

Motion: Jeff Clem

Seconded: Linda McClellan

Vote: 4-0

Tom Coats, President, commented that Coach Newcomb had been a blessing to his son, Matthew, and a joy to work with as a parent.

Mr. Stockdale added that he wanted to clarify that Scott Newcomb's retirement letter was only for coaching. Mr. Newcomb would remain as Athletic Director.

## **Action Items**

### **A. Approval of Advertisement of Hearing on HVAC Project**

It was recommended that the Board approve the advertisement of a hearing on HVAC project to be held on April 24, 2018.

After due consideration, the same was approved.

Motion: Theresa Gottbrath

Seconded: Linda McClellan

Vote: 4-0

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## **B. Approval of Fundraising Request Forms**

It was recommended that the Board approve the HS Fundraising Requests as submitted by Mr. Darin Farris, Principal.

After due consideration, the same was approved.

Motion: Theresa Gottbrath

Seconded: Jeff Clem

Vote: 4-0

## **C. Second Reading of Policies**

Group 1 - 1520.08, 1521, 1619, 1619.01, 1619.02, 1619.03, 2623, 3120.08, 3121, 3124, 3419, 3419.01, 3419.02, 3419.03, 4120.08, 4121, 4419, 4419.01, 4419.02, 4419.03, 5111, 5340.01, 5460, 5530, 5830, 6605, 6700, 8120, 8121, 8330, 8340, 8400, 8405, 8455, and 9700

Group 2 - 0100, 2261.01, 5111.01, 5111.03, 5136, 5136.01, 5330, 6330, 7540.03, 7540.04, 7540.05, 7540.06, 8300, 8305, 8330, 8355, 8500, and 8510

Group 3 – 1220, 1521, 2221, 2262, 2623.01, 3121, 3131, 3220.01, 4121, 5200, 5330, 5350, 5460, 5630.01V1, 5730, 6152, 8120, 8121, 8330, 8462, 8600, 8800

Group 4 – 0100, 7540.01, 7540.02, and 7540

Superintendent Stockdale recommended that the Board approve the second reading of the Policies.

After due consideration, the same was approved.

Motion: Theresa Gottbrath

Seconded: Linda McClellan

Vote: 4-0

## **D. As Needed – Resolution of Goals for Student Instructional Expenditures**

It was recommended that the Board approve the Resolution of Goals for Student Instructional Expenditures as presented. This is done annually in conjunction with the Annual Financial Report.

After due consideration, the same was approved.

Motion: Theresa Gottbrath

Seconded: Linda McClellan

Vote: 4-0

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As Needed - Approval of Letter of Intent with EMCOR

It was recommended that the Board approve the Letter of Intent with EMCOR to secure equipment for summer HVAC Project at East Washington Elementary School.

After due consideration, the same was approved

Motion: Theresa Gottbrath

Seconded: Jeff Clem

Vote: 4-0

## **Public Comments**

Darrin Farris, HS Principal asked board members not to publicly announce Scott Newcomb's retirement until because Coach Newcomb was not announcing his retirement to the team until later that evening at the banquet. Mr. Stockdale asked Board members to consider being on committee to hire new coach.

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

**Announcements** - none

## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:37 p.m. The next School Board Work Session was scheduled for April 10, 2018 at 5:00 pm. The next School Board meeting was scheduled for April 24, 2018 at 5:00 pm.

Motion: Jeff Clem

Seconded: Theresa Gottbrath

Vote: 4-0

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Tom Coats, President of the Board

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Linda McClellan, Secretary of the Board