

# **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, August 28, 2018 5:00 p.m.  
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## **LEGAL MINUTES – August 28, 2018**

### **Members Present**

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

### **Members Absent**

Jeff Clem, Vice 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  
Mr. Darin Farris, HS Principal  
Mr. Aaron Smith, Director of Building/Transportation Maintenance  
Mrs. Amy Dean, Director of Technology and Integration  
Mrs. Donna Campbell, Admin. Secretary

#### **UNOFFICIAL GUESTS:**

Kendra Floyd  
Christina McGinnis  
Randy Albertson

### **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**

Secretary Linda McClellan read the Mission Statement following the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

Mrs. Debbie Esarey, Principal, updated the Board concerning the new HVAC system. The first week of school was a bit rocky, but areas were comfortable now. She said the playground committee would be working on coming up with a plan for the new playground. The Dare to Care program was up and running. Mrs. Esarey

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said that the students and parents were very excited about the new STEM program. Rhythm and Rhyme, Art Club, and Fitness Club would all be starting soon.

Hector Nale asked Mrs. Esarey to consider a buy in program for parents to make a school donation rather than participate in fundraisers. She commented that this would be the last year with Paragon.

## **East Washington Middle School Report**

Mrs. Amber King, Principal, updated the Board on the summer remodel project. She said that this was the best start to the school year in 13 years. The Musketeer Boot Camp had been very successful. Multiple teachers had responded that they could tell a huge difference in student behavior after Boot Camp. A student leadership team had been developed. Students would be visiting six other schools this year to gather ideas on how to make East Washington a better school. Mrs. King had been working to add East Washington Middle School to the "School to Watch" list. There are currently 15 Schools to Watch in the state of Indiana. This would hopefully happen in October. Mrs. King also presented a video of the lip sync battle coordinated with the Washington County Sheriff Department and Jeff Thomas, Pekin Town Marshal. She said that students and 30-40 officers enjoyed their day together while filming was taking place.

## **Eastern High School Report**

Mr. Darin Farris, Principal, informed the Board that the school year was off to a good start at the high school as well. The advanced manufacturing class would be making key chains out of pieces of the old basketball floor. Mr. Farris had been working on the school improvement plan that would be presented at the next school board meeting.

An archery club was being formed through the Delta after school program. The Delta Club would provide the equipment and this equipment would be used by the physical education classes as well.

The high school would possibly be offering ASVAB and SAT testing as an added opportunity for juniors and seniors to achieve component #3 of the new Graduation Pathway. This program is still in the early stages of planning.

## **Transportation/Food Services Report**

Mr. Greg Hopkins, Director of Transportation/Food Service Director, informed the Board that the school year was off to a good start with a full slate of bus drivers and everything running smoothly in the cafeterias.

## **Buildings and Grounds Report**

Mr. Aaron Smith, Director of Building/Transportation Maintenance reported that all buildings were cooling. The project at the elementary was 90% complete. Emcor was working through the "bugs." The middle/high school project was currently in the planning stages. Mr. Smith would like to take the Board on a tour in October. Mr. Smith also reported that a sprinkler line had busted underground at the football building, but the repair had already been made.

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## **Technology Report**

Mrs. Amy Dean, Director of Technology and Integration, informed the Board that all students had received devices. The technology department was currently working through tickets and working on getting all software up and running. A new program was used to scan the device and the charger so that these are both tied to the student. This should help with tracking of inventory. Mrs. Dean had also been working in classrooms to help teachers and students.

## **Superintendent Report**

Mr. Dennis Stockdale, Superintendent, commended his leadership team in transportation, maintenance, technology, and administration for their great job.

Mr. Stockdale spoke concerning the elementary playground. He said that the corporation had \$50,000 in savings from the bonds and also would be receiving \$7,000.00 from EMCOR due to not using portable air conditioning for the first few days of school. He would like to see these savings directed to the playground fund.

At this time motion was made and seconded to donate the \$50,000.00 in bond savings to the playground fund.

Motion: Linda McClellan

Seconded: Hector Nale

Vote: 4-0

Mr. Stockdale reported on the safety grant. A protective screen would be installed on all front doors and cafeteria windows. A film would also be installed on the inside of the windows as gunshot protection as well as tornado protection. This film would be installed on all exterior door areas, cafeteria windows, and the performing arts center entrance up to above the doors. This would be completed during fall break.

Mr. Stockdale informed the Board that a letter of intent for the HS/MS HVAC project would be added to the business section of the meeting. He commented that the elementary experience with EMCOR had been very good and the same crew would be in place for the HS/MS project. Mr. Stockdale explained to the board how the construction process would work for the HS/MS project.

Mr. Stockdale would like to set up a tour of the schools for the Board. A date would be decided later.

Discussions were currently in progress concerning employee health insurance renewal. The goal would be to have an increase no larger than 10%.

Mr. Stockdale explained to the Board that resolutions would be presented during the meeting to get accounting set up for the new Budget Funds. With the new system, the cash balance would become the rainy-day fund.

A solar field dedication was being planned. Mr. Stockdale said that he would welcome any suggestions for this ceremony.

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

The minutes of the Regular Meeting and the Executive Session Memo of July 24, 2018 and the Work Session and Executive Session Memo of August 14, 2018 were approved with any additions, corrections, or deletions as recommended by the Board.

Motion: Hector Nale  
Seconded: Linda McClellan  
Vote: 4-0

## **Consent Items:**

### A. Approval of Claims

It was recommended that the Board approve Payroll Check 5437 and Vendor Claims # 11621 to and including # 11730 and Direct Deposit Advices # 57468 to and including # 57831.

After due consideration, the same was approved.

Motion: Hector Nale  
Seconded: Theresa Gottbrath  
Vote: 4-0

### B. Approval of Monthly Financial Reports

The Board approved the monthly Financial Reports as presented.

Motion: Linda McClellan  
Seconded: Hector Nale  
Vote: 4-0

### C. Approval of Annual ECA & Lunch Financial Reports

The Board approved the Annual ECA and Lunch Financial Reports as submitted.

Motion: Hector Nale  
Seconded: Theresa Gottbrath  
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## **Personnel**

### A. Approval of Personnel Changes

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

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## **EMPLOYMENT OF STAFF**

### **CERTIFIED**

- ✓ Mrs. Esarey, ES Principal, recommended Jacqueline Michele Walton as 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Special Education Teacher for 2018/19.
- ✓ Mr. Farris, HS Principal, recommended Suzanne Bennett as HS Spanish Teacher 4 periods per day.
- ✓ Mr. Farris, HS Principal, recommended Mike Snow as Homebound Instructor for 6-8 weeks.
- ✓ Mrs. King, MS Principal, recommended Ramanda Flannery as a Homebound Instructor.
- ✓ Mrs. King, MS Principal, recommended Laura Purlee as a Homebound Instructor.

### **CLASSIFIED**

- ✓ Mr. Smith, Director of Maintenance/Grounds, recommended Juanette Smith as ES 2<sup>nd</sup> shift Custodian effective July 30, 2018.
- ✓ Mrs. Esarey, ES Principal, recommended Shelby Lee as the Title I Pre-school Teacher.
- ✓ Mr. Farris, HS Principal, recommended Lacey Chisham as a HS instructional Assistant.

### **EXTRA-CURRICULAR**

- ✓ Mr. Cullen, MS Athletic Director, recommended Amber Purlee as the 7<sup>th</sup> grade Volleyball Coach.
- ✓ Mr. Cullen, MS Athletic Director, recommended Whitney Smith as the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Volleyball Coach.
- ✓ Mr. Cullen, MS Athletic Director, recommended David Sowder as the 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grade Girls Basketball Coach.
- ✓ Mr. Farris, HS Principal, recommended Michael Sharp as a Band Instructional Assistant.
- ✓ Mrs. King, MS Principal, recommended Michele Guthrie and Sherry Winger as Student Council Sponsors.
- ✓ Mrs. King, MS Principal, recommended Rosa Snapp as Academic Bowl Sponsor.
- ✓ Mrs. King, MS Principal, recommended Laura Purlee as Spell Bowl Sponsor.
- ✓ Mrs. King, MS Principal, recommended Angela Jackson as Kids Club Sponsor.
  
- ✓ Mr. Cullen, MS Athletic Director, recommended Robin Raley and Kati Sparkman as Co-Coaches for 5/6 grade Cheerleading.
- ✓ Mr. Cullen, MS Athletic Director, recommended Andrew Lewellen as 8<sup>th</sup> grade Girls Basketball Coach.
- ✓ Mr. Cullen, MS Athletic Director, recommended Lesia Ellis as 5<sup>th</sup> grade Girls Basketball.
- ✓ Mr. Cullen, MS Athletic Director, recommended Bill Jones as MS Wrestling Coach.

## **POINT OF INFORMATION**

### **Resignation(s)**

#### **CLASSIFIED**

- ✓ Mr. Stockdale, Superintendent, accepted the resignation letter submitted by Nichole Farley as ES Title I Aide and Title I Preschool Teacher effective July 25, 2018.
- ✓ Mr. Stockdale, Superintendent, accepted the resignation letter submitted by Kelley Lee as Part-Time Title I Aide effective July 24, 2018.
- ✓ Mr. Stockdale, Superintendent, accepted the resignation letter submitted by Josh Green as HS Aide effective August 7, 2018.

### **Termination(s)**

#### **CERTIFIED**

- ✓ Mr. Stockdale, Superintendent, reported the termination of Ashley Thomas, ES Teacher, due to reduced number of Dev. Pre-School students.

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## **CLASSIFIED**

- ✓ Mr. Stockdale, Superintendent, reported the termination of Danielle Fredericks, ES Aide, due to reduced number of Dev. Pre-School students.

## ***Volunteers***

- ✓ Mr. Farris, HS Principal, recommended Rosie Sorrell as a Volunteer Dance Coach.
- ✓ Mr. Cullen, MS Athletic Director, recommended Holly Drury as a Volunteer MS Boys Tennis Coach.

After due consideration, the same was approved.

Motion: Theresa Gottbrath  
Seconded: Hector Nale  
Vote: 4-0

## **Action Items**

### A. Approval of Resolution to Establish Initial Funding for the Education Fund

The Board approved the Resolution to Establish Initial Funding for the Education Fund.

Motion: Hector Nale  
Seconded: Linda McClellan  
Vote: 4-0

### B. Approval of Resolution to Establish Initial Funding for the Operations Fund

The Board approved the Resolution to Establish Initial Funding for the Operations Fund.

Motion: Hector Nale  
Seconded: Linda McClellan  
Vote: 4-0

### C. Approval of Resolution to Transfer Amounts from Education Fund to the Operations Fund

The Board approved the Resolution to Transfer Amounts from Education Fund to the Operations Fund.

Motion: Hector Nale  
Seconded: Theresa Gottbrath  
Vote: 4-0

### D. Approval of Resolution to Amend the Rainy Day Fund

The Board approved the Resolution to Amend the Rainy Day Fund.

Motion: Theresa Gottbrath  
Seconded: Hector Nale  
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## **E. Approval of Resolution of Goals for Student Instructional Expenditures**

The Board approved the Resolution of Goals for Student Instructional Expenditures for the 2018/19 school year.

Motion: Linda McClellan  
Seconded: Theresa Gottbrath  
Vote: 4-0

## **F. Request for Permission to Advertise 2019 Budget**

The Board approved permission to advertise the 2019 budget.

Motion: Hector Nale  
Seconded: Linda McClellan  
Vote: 4-0

## **G. Approval of Fuel Supplier**

This topic was tabled until the September meeting. The Wilson Education Center had not formally approved the Fuel Supplier in time for the August meeting.

## **H. Approval of Overnight/Extended Field Trips**

The Board approved the Overnight/Extended Field Trips as submitted.

Motion: Theresa Gottbrath  
Seconded: Hector Nale  
Vote: 4-0

## **I. Approval of Conflict of Interest Disclosures**

The board approved the Conflict of Interest Forms as submitted by Laura Temple, Barbara Robinson, Joyce Temple, and Shelley Gulley.

Motion: Hector Nale  
Seconded: Linda McClellan  
Vote: 4-0

## **J. Approval of Donations**

The Board approved the following donations:

- \$500.00 received by East Washington Middle School to assist with funding the purchase of shade sails for the courtyard area
- \$50.00 from Joe-Kleine Kracht, VALIC, to be used for the staff meal
- \$914.00 from Shambaugh & Sons used to purchase fans and water for East Washington Elementary School

Motion: Theresa Gottbrath  
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## **K. Approval of Corporation Crisis Plan**

The Board approved the Corporation Crisis Plan for 2018/19 as presented.

Motion: Theresa Gottbrath  
Seconded: Linda McClellan  
Vote: 4-0

## **L. Approval of Mahuron Grant Proposals**

The Board approved the Mahuron Grant Proposals as submitted.

Motion: Hector Nale  
Seconded: Linda McClellan  
Vote: 4-0

## **M. As Needed – Letter of Intent – HVAC**

The Board approved a letter of intent to proceed with a Guaranteed Savings Contract with Shambaugh & Son, LP, for the total approximated amount of \$4,700,000.00 for the middle school/high school HVAC improvements.

Motion: Theresa Gottbrath  
Seconded: Linda McClellan  
Vote: 3-0 with Hector Nale abstaining

## **Public Comments**

Kate Wehlann asked how much the school safety grant was. Mr. Stockdale explained that it was a matching grant. \$50,000.00 from the grant, and \$50,000.00 from our solar savings to equal a total of \$100,000.00.

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

### **Announcements**

The Work Session for September 11, 2018 was cancelled.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:01 p.m. The next School Board meeting is scheduled for September 25, 2018 at 5:00 pm.

Motion: Hector Nale  
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