

**EAST TROY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Regular Meeting Minutes – April 9, 2018**

The East Troy Community School District Board met in regular session on April 9, 2018. The meeting was called to order by President Ted Zess at 6:04 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members also present were Martha Bresler, Dawn Buchholtz, Sue Frohling and Steve Lambrechts. Also present were Dr. Christopher Hibner, Daphne Kohnke, Kathy Zwirgzdas, administrators/supervisors, a reporter and eighteen guests. Ted Zess read the open meeting statement indicating that the meeting is open to the public as required by state statute and that notice of the meeting had been sent to the media and/or posted.

***IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS POSTED***

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A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Steve Lambrechts for approval of the agenda as posted. Motion carried unanimously.

***V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES***

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A motion was made by Ted Zess and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz to table the approval of the minutes of the March 12, 2018 regular board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

***VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PER BOARD POLICY***

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Melinda Ott spoke on advocating for the full time elementary art teaching position.

Lori Puls spoke on advocating for the full time elementary art teaching position.

David Stern spoke on advocating for the full time elementary art teaching position and increasing the exposure to art.

Ron Christensen spoke on advocating for the fine arts in school.

Dr. Shay McCue spoke on not cutting the arts program.

Dave Banks spoke on the importance of the arts programming in schools.

Jessica Fuchs spoke on not reducing the arts program.

Kathy Christensen spoke on not reducing the arts program.

Theresa Barrett spoke on not reducing the position to less than full time because of the staff retention a full time position gains.

## ***VII. FINANCIAL REPORT***

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None.

## ***VIII. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS***

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- A. Approval of resignation(s): Dawn Buchholtz made a motion to accept the resignation from Katie Patterson. Martha Bresler seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Dawn Buchholtz made a motion to accept the resignation from Jenna Hau for the 18-19 school year. Martha Bresler seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- B. Use of bricks from Chester Byrnes for fundraising: Motion was tabled for a future board meeting. The East Troy Times will include in an article that anyone wishing to possibly utilize the bricks as a fundraiser should notify Kathy Zwirgzdas.
- C. Administration budget proposals/programming for 2018-19 school year: Dawn Buchholtz made a motion to go into executive session at 6:35 for the discussion of preliminary staffing proposals and professional staff employment – renewal/nonrenewal as provided under 19.85(1)(b), 19.85(1)(c) and 118.125. Martha Bresler seconded the motion. Roll call vote – Steve Lambrechts – yes, Sue Frohling – yes, Martha Bresler – yes, Ted Zess – yes, and Dawn Buchholtz - yes. Motion carried unanimously. At 8:15 A motion was made by Steve Lambrechts and seconded by Martha Bresler to reconvene to open session. Motion carried unanimously. The Board stated another budget meeting will be scheduled for April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00. In addition, administration explained the reduction of the art position from full time to part time that is proposed is due to fewer sections of elementary school art due to declining enrollment over the years. The same minutes elementary students receive this year in art programming would continue for the 2018 – 2019 school year under this proposal.
- D. Parent(s)/Pupil(s) request of education program related to consideration for modification to the learning environment and curriculum per Wis. Stat. 118.15(1)(d): Moved to executive session.
- E. Seek approval of revised policy 443.3 – Tobacco and Nicotine Policy: Dawn Buchholtz made a motion for the policy revisions as presented. Steve Lambrechts seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

- F. Seek approval of revised policy 443.4 – Drug/Alcohol/Inhalant Policy: Dawn Buchholtz made a motion for the policy revisions as presented. Steve Lambrechts seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
- G. Approval of overnight field trips: Dawn Buchholtz made a motion for the FBLA trip and NASA Hunch as presented. Sue Frohling seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
- H. Preliminary staffing proposals – from time to time, the board needs to adjourn to executive session to address specific personnel regarding budgetary implications for future years: Moved to executive session.
- I. Professional staff employment – contract renewal / nonrenewal: Moved to executive session.

## ***IX. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS***

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- A. District Administrator Report:
  - i. Dr. Hibner spoke on the outcome of the recent ETCSD Board Election – congratulations to Jessica Fuchs and Tony Barrett
  - ii. Recognition of Martha Bresler and Sue Frohling
  - iii. April 18<sup>th</sup> inservice and community presentation with A.J. Juliani (co-author of the book *Empower*)
- B. Business Manager Report: New requirements for school based coding
- C. Director of Instruction Report: None
- D. Director of Special Education/District Assessment Coordinator: None
- E. Student Representative Report: None
- F. School Board President’s Report: Reported on UGET’s interest in the potential Byrnes land

## ***X. POLICY REVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT***

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1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Policy 346.1 – District Assessment – tabled

1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Policy 426 – Part-time open enrollment

## ***XI. COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS***

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None.

## ***XII. BOARD OF EDUCATION – FUTURE ITEMS***

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Timeline of demo and specifics on foundation.

## ***XIII. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION –***

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A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Steve Lambrechts, to adjourn to executive session at 9:05 for the discussion of professional staff employment – renewal/nonrenewal as provided under 19.85 (1) (b) and 19.85 (1) (c) and parent(s)/pupil(s) request of education program related to consideration for modification to the learning environment and curriculum per Wis. Stat. 118.15(1)(d), and under 118.125. Roll call vote – Steve Lambrechts – yes, Martha Bresler – yes, Ted Zess – yes, and Dawn Buchholtz - yes. Motion carried unanimously.

***XIV. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION –***

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A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Martha Bresler to reconvene to open session at 9:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

***XV. ADJOURNMENT***

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A motion was made by Ted Zess and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz to approve administration recommendations of professional staff for final non-renewal - (Renee Frank, Heather Glass, Laura Sprunk, Julien Valls, and Ryan Vodnick). Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Martha Bresler to accept the requests for modifications to the learning environment and curriculum. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Martha Bresler and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Lambrechts