

January 9, 2012

The East Troy Community School District Board met in regular session on January 9, 2012. The meeting was called to order by President, Bill Garvens at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Mike Zei, Martha Bresler, Brian Wexler, Dawn Buchholtz, Bill Garvens and a student representative. Also present were Dr. Christopher Hibner, Kathy Zwirgzdas, administrators, six guests and one journalist.

Bill Garvens 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.

A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Brian Wexler for approval of the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Mike Zei to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2011 regular Board meeting and the minutes of the December 19, 2011 regular Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Mr. Nathan Vaughn read a prepared letter containing reasons why he believes Mrs. Amanda Stack should be waived of the liquidated damages resulted from her resignation from the East Troy High School.

## **VII. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

### **A. District Administrator Report:**

- Mr. Mike Weygand presented an update of the Pupil Services and Counseling Department.
- i. Three people submitted candidacy papers for two school board seats. The three candidates are: Martha Bresler, Charles Harwood, and Steve Lambrechts.
  - ii. Board members were reminded that the WASB State Convention in Milwaukee is held on January 18-20, 2012.
  - iii. Dr. Hibner presented a brief update of initiatives pertaining to District goals. Some areas he discussed included: assessments, curriculum, world language/global literacy, technology, birth to four year old program,

building student profiles, building upon and improving upon our collective capacity with teaching and leadership practices, and the most important area - RESULTS.

**B. Business Manager Report:**

- i. Mrs. Kathy Zwirgzdas reviewed the timeline of the Walworth County Health Insurance Co-op and the available options for the East Troy School District.
- ii. The Board was reminded of the Auditor presentation on January 23, 2012.
- iii. Mrs. Zwirgzdas reported that the Walworth County Sheriff's Office deemed both locations (the trailer park of Skyview Terrace and the portion of School Street just to the west AND South Street and Austin Street) unusually hazardous resulting in the option for families to utilize the East Troy Community School District busing transportation.

**C. Director of Instruction Report: No items reported.**

**D. Student Representative Report: Nicole Pesek reported on the success of the boys and girls high school basketball programs as well as mentioning the upcoming high school wrestling meets, the high school Winter Homecoming and when final exams are being held.**

**E. School Board President's Report: No items reported.**

**VIII. FINANCIAL REPORT AND APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS AND RECEIPTS**

A motion was made by Martha Bresler and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz to approve November 2011 payments in the amount of \$1,435,027.87 and the receipts in the amount of \$263,913.18 as reflected on the financial statements. Motion carried unanimously.

**IX. POLICY REVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT**

Dr. Hibner, Mrs. Zwirgzdas and the Board discussed the updated version of the East Troy Community School District Discipline Grievance Procedure; they reviewed the new Grievance Procedure to the Collective Bargaining agreement, reviewed the four steps in

the new Grievance Procedure and reviewed the responsibilities of the Impartial Hearing Officer.

## **X. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- A. Approval of Timeline/Process for Facilities Plan: A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Mike Zei to approve the timeline/process for the facilities towards a future referendum. Motion carried unanimously.
- B. Acceptance of Donation to Doubek Elementary School: A motion was made by Brian Wexler and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz to accept a \$1000.00 donation from Walmart to Doubek Elementary. Motion carried unanimously.
- C. Acceptance of Donation to Music Department: A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Mike Zei to accept the donation of a trombone to the East Troy School District Music Department. Motion carried unanimously.
- D. Approval of Track Recoating: A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Mike Zei to approve the re-coating of the East Troy School District track. Motion carried unanimously.
- E. Staffing Recommendations: A motion was made by Brian Wexler and seconded by Mike Zei to approve a 1.0 FTE-one semester teaching contract to Mr. Jacob Schueller. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Brian Wexler and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz to approve a 1.0 FTE-one semester teaching contract to Ms. Grace Gardinier. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Mike Zei from the recommendation of Dr. Hibner for the liquidation fees to be waived of Mrs. Amanda Stack. Motion carried unanimously.

- F. Preliminary Staffing Proposals: Moved to executive session.

## **XI. COMMUNICATIONS/ ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The date of February 6, 2012, was set for the interviews of the potential architects of the facilities plan of East Troy Community School District.

Mrs. Kathy Zwirgzdas reviewed with the board that at the January 23, 2012 board meeting, the Board will have information regarding a potential lawsuit that may involve many school districts toward WEA, in regards to requesting ERRP funds.

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

No items submitted.

## **XIII. SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW**

No items submitted

A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Brian Wexler to adjourn to executive session for discussion of preliminary staffing proposals. Martha Bresler, aye; Mike Zei, aye; Brian Wexler, aye; Dawn Buchholtz, aye; Bill Garvens, aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned to executive session at 9:11 p.m.

A motion to return to open session was made by Mike Zei and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz at 9:54 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion to adjourn was made at 9:55 p.m. by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Martha Bresler. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Wexler

***These minutes will become official minutes pending approval of the Board of Education at the next regular school board meeting.***