

**EAST TROY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes – April 14, 2015**

The East Troy Community School District Board met in regular session on April 14, 2015. The meeting was called to order by President Ted Zess at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Steve Lambrechts, Brian Wexler, Martha Bresler, Dawn Buchholtz, and Ted Zess. Also present were Dr. Christopher Hibner, Kathy Zwirgzdas, Amy Foszpanczyk, administrators, seventeen guests and one reporter. Additionally, student representative, Julia Kostopoulos, was in attendance. 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

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

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES ON MARCH 23, 2015 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Steve Lambrechts to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2015 regular Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PER BOARD POLICY

Tim Griffin congratulated the Board on the passing of the referendum and spoke about a concern regarding bandwidth and the durability of Chromebooks.

Gina Dingman acknowledged individuals for their assistance with the YES committee.

VII. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. District Administrator Report:

- i. District Referendum Results (April 7, 2015) – Dr. Hibner thanked the Board for their work with the referendum, various groups for helping to ensure that accurate information was shared, the staff for their patience and the community for supporting the district and the learning environments.

- ii. Congratulations to all of the individuals that elected to seek office – Dr. Hibner thanked the candidates who ran for school board and congratulated Martha Bresler for her appointment to the Board. Hibner also thanked the community for coming out to vote.
- B. Business Manager Report: No report submitted.
- C. Director of Instruction Report: No report submitted.
- D. Director of Special Education/District Assessment Coordinator- No report submitted
- E. Student Representative Report – The choir just returned from New York and it was a successful trip. The spring play took place a couple weeks ago and was also a success.
- F. School Board President’s Report- There was a kickoff meeting this morning for the building projects. The schedule/timeline was established. Advisory teams of primarily staff members will be put together and will receive input from local businesses. Survey crews should be starting in the next few weeks. The district will continue to communicate with the community including a webcam that will track progress of the building projects.

VIII. FINANCIAL REPORT: NONE

IX. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- A. Administration budget proposals/programming for 2015 – 2016 school year- A motion was made by Ted Zess and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz to approve the budget recommendations as presented with the hope that the state budget will allow some of these items to be brought back into the budget. Motion carried unanimously.
- B. Acceptance of donation- A motion was made by Brian Wexler and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz to accept the donation of \$150 from the East Troy Sno-Trojans Snowmobile Club. Motion carried unanimously.
- C. Upcoming expiring board term and vacancy- A motion was made by Ted Zess and seconded by Steve Lambrechts to designate Friday, April 24th at 3:30pm as the deadline for nomination papers to be submitted for the board vacancy. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Martha Bresler to suspend Board Policy 132. Roll call vote: Steve Lambrechts, no; Brian Wexler, yes; Martha Bresler, yes; Dawn Buchholtz, yes; Ted Zess, no. Motion carried. A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Martha Bresler to appoint Brian Wexler to the Board vacancy that will be up for one additional year of

service in April 2016. Roll call vote: Steve Lambrechts, no; Martha Bresler, yes; Dawn Buchholtz, yes; Ted Zess, no. Motion does not carry.

- D. Life Insurance – A motion was made by Ted Zess and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz to table this item. Motion carried unanimously.
- E. Technology Policies 363.1, 363.2 and 523 – A motion was made by Steve Lambrechts and seconded by Brian Wexler to approve the technology policies as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- F. Drug/Alcohol/Inhalant Policy 443.4 – A motion was made by Steve Lambrechts and seconded by Brian Wexler to approve the Drug/Alcohol/Inhalant Policy as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- G. Professional staff employment – Moved to executive session.
- H. Administration and Supervisory contracts per Statute 118.24(6) – Moved to executive session.
- I. Update on profession staff employment – Moved to executive session.
- J. Bargaining Strategy and Parameters of upcoming negotiations as it relates to salary – Moved to executive session.
- K. Update regarding parent complaint as it relates to services for child – Moved to executive session.
- L. Preliminary staffing proposals – Moved to executive session.

X. POLICY REVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT - NONE

XI. COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Hibner thanked the administrative team for their hard work done surrounding the budget impact proposals. The district has also been complimented on all of the great things that are taking place. He stated that we need to continue to share these messages with the community. Parent nights for technology will be held on April 29th and May 7th. Wednesday, April 15th is the Distinguished Artists Selection Night. On Monday, May 11th at 6:45 the student artwork will be presented. The Little Free Library at Doubek was featured in a local magazine.

XII. BOARD OF EDUCATION – FUTURE ITEM

Steve Lambrechts inquired about the board policy that was suspended this evening and would like to discuss whether or not this policy needs to be officially reinstated.

The Board will need to begin discussing the RFP process regarding Chester Byrnes and Leona Doubek.

XIII. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Ted Zess to adjourn to executive session for discussion of professional staff employment (renewal/nonrenewal), administration and supervisory contracts, update on professional staff employment, bargaining strategy and parameters of upcoming negotiations as it relates to salary, update regarding parent complaint as it relates to services for child, and preliminary staffing proposals as provided under 19.85(1)(b), 19.85(1)(c), 19.85(1)(f), 19.85(1)(e), and 118.125. Roll call: Steve Lambrechts, yes; Brian Wexler, yes; Martha Bresler, yes; Dawn Buchholtz, yes; Ted Zess, yes. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:16 p.m.

XIV. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Ted Zess and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz to reconvene to open session. Roll call vote: Steve Lambrechts, yes; Martha Bresler, yes; Dawn Buchholtz, yes; Ted Zess, yes. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting reconvened to open session at 11:59 p.m.

A motion was made by Ted Zess and seconded by Martha Bresler to approve the administrative contracts for the 2015-2016 school year with no increase but with the possibility to revisit after the state budget is established. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ted Zess and seconded by Steve Lambrechts to approve one preliminary nonrenewal. Motion carried unanimously.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ted Zess and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Lambrechts