

**EAST TROY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes – August 11, 2014**

The East Troy Community School District Board met in regular session on August 11, 2014. 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, Chris Smith, Martha Bresler, Dawn Buchholtz, and Ted Zess. Also present were Dr. Christopher Hibner, Amy Foszpanczyk, Kathy Zwirgzdas, administrators, reporter, consultants, and two 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

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

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Chris Smith and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz for the approval of the July 14, 2014 (regular) and July 28, 2014 (special) minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Tim Griffin discussed that the current Option C in front of the Board does not align with the past Ad-Hoc Facilities votes to not renovate and add to Doubek. He also stated the survey showed the main focus should be on the High School improvements. He recommended two options to be on the ballot.

Barb Jones spoke on being surprised to read in the paper that the Chester Byrnes building would be demolished in the current referendum proposal. She also stated that the funding for the referendum projects seemed disproportionate towards the lower grades. Finally, she stated she would like to see a 4-1 or 5-0 vote on the board towards a balance and compromise on the referendum question.

VII. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. District Administrator Report:

- i. Annual Meeting – September 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.: Dr. Hibner reiterated the annual meeting date and the purpose of the meeting to be a State of the District address and a budget meeting.

- ii. Review of agenda for 'Back to School Inservice for Professional Development': Dr. Hibner reviewed the plans and dates for the upcoming August 25-28 inservice.

- B. Business Manager Report: None.
- C. Director of Instruction Report: None.
- D. Director of Special Education/District Assessment Coordinator: Review Smarter Balanced Assessment for 2014-15 school year: Kate Harder handed out a FAQ document describing the terminology referenced as a replacement for WKCE for some subjects/grades for aligning to common core standards.
- E. School Board President's Report: None.

VIII. FINANCIAL REPORT

A motion was made by Martha Bresler and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz to move the approval of June 2014 payments in the amount of \$3,422,317.30 and receipts in the amount of \$991,498.43 as reflected on the financial statements. Motion carried unanimously.

IX. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Staffing recommendation(s): None.
- B. Initial Resolution authorizing General Obligation Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$20,800,000: Bob Simi reported on the process of contractor costing, including bidding out 100% of the subcontracted projects should the referendum be approved. Dr. Hibner presented a recommendation to include the fitness room addition. Chris Smith made a motion to approve the initial resolution authorizing General Obligation Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$20,800,000. Steve Lambrechts seconded the motion. Discussion followed. A roll call vote was called: Steve Lambrechts – yes, Martha Bresler – no, Chris Smith – yes, Dawn Buchholtz – no, Ted Zess – yes. Motion carried.
- C. Resolution providing for a referendum election on the question of the approval of an initial resolution authorizing the issuance of the general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$20,800,000: Chris Smith made a motion to approve the resolution providing for a referendum election on the question of the approval of an initial resolution authorizing the issuance of the general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$20,800,000. Steve Lambrechts seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called: Steve Lambrechts – yes, Martha Bresler – no, Chris Smith – yes, Dawn Buchholtz – no, Ted Zess – yes. Motion carried. A recess was called after the vote at 9:23 p.m.

- D. Penalties imposed for breaching of a professional contract for 2015-2016 school year: Dawn Buchholtz made a motion to approve increased liquidated damages (\$0/\$500/\$750/\$1000) and date changes corresponding to the amounts as previously discussed in teacher contracts for 2105-16 and to add the same liquidated damages to administrative contracts for 2015-16. Martha Bresler seconded the motion and the motion carried.
- E. National Board Certification approval (year 3): Ted Zess made a motion to approve a third year payment, Dawn Buchholtz seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion was defeated. The Board requested comparables for the next meeting. Chris Smith made a motion to table the item; Martha Bresler seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- F. Seclusion/Restraint Report (Wisconsin Act 125): Kate Harder reported on training of staff for seclusion and restraint techniques. Kate then reported on the 13-14 numbers by building of students secluded or restrained, total occurrences, and the number of instances that were identified as special education.
- G. Open enrollment survey results: The survey results from new families choosing open enrollment out for the 14-15 school year was presented to the board.
- H. Open enrollment exception request: Closed session item.

X. POLICY REVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT:

- A, 447 – Student Discipline – (Second Reading) – no changes were presented.
- B. 443 – Student Conduct – (Second Reading) – no changes were presented.

XI. COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Dr. Hibner commended the building custodial staff for the work they have done thus far for getting the facilities ready for the start of the school year. He also thanked the administration for many hours over the summer hiring. Dr. Hibner reported that Wednesday is the start of new teacher induction. Finally, Dr, Hibner reported that Wisconsin Supreme Court upheld Act 10 & 32 as constitutional.

XII. BOARD OF ED -- FUTURE ITEMS:

None.

XIII. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Steve Lambrechts to adjourn to executive session at 10:10 p.m. pursuant to the discussion of open enrollment exception request as provided under 19.85(1)(c). Motion carried unanimously.

XIV. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION:

A motion was made by Chris Smith and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz to reconvene to open session. Roll call vote – all yes. A motion was made by Chris Smith and seconded by Martha Bresler to approve the open enrollment exception presented. Motion carried unanimously.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Chris Smith to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Smith