

**EAST TROY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Regular Meeting Minutes – August 19, 2024**

The East Troy Community School District Board met in regular session on August 19, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Ted Zess, Board President, at 6:00 p.m followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members also present were Anna Janusz, Adam Witkiewicz, Kevin Bong and Steve Lambrechts. Also present were Dr. Christopher Hibner, Amy Jenquin, Amy Foszpanczyk, Taylor Baumeister, Amanda Jones and administrators/supervisors and representatives from Performance Services. 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 Steve Lambrechts and seconded by Anna Janusz for the approval of the agenda as posted. Motion carried unanimously.

***V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES***

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A motion was made by Steve Lambrechts and seconded by Adam Witkiewicz for the approval of minutes from August 5, 2024 (Regular Board Meeting). Motion carried unanimously.

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

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None.

***VII. FINANCIAL REPORT***

A motion was made by Adam Witkiewicz and seconded by Steve Lambrechts for the approval of July 2024 payments in the amount of \$1,115,932.00 and receipts in the amount of \$208,074.00 as reflected on the financial statements. Motion carried unanimously.

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

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- A. Staffing resignation(s): None.
- B. Staffing recommendation(s): None.
- C. Approval of donations: None.

- D. Stadium project update by Jake Hernandez and Matt Gilbert: An update was provided by Jake Hernandez, Director of Buildings and Grounds. He was joined by representatives from Performance Services. The project addressed very low light levels on the football field and no lights on the soccer field by adding new light poles and lights to the football field and soccer field which increased the light on the fields while avoiding light spillage into other areas. The project was on time, on budget, and did not have any change orders. Photos and videos were shared of the before and after of the stadium project. Jake Hernandez encouraged people to attend events on the field to see the difference of the light on the field and track. Lastly, a reminder was provided about the resurfacing of the track too.
- E. Middle School project update by Jake Hernandez: An update was provided by Jake Hernandez, Director of Buildings and Grounds. He shared about the updates that were completed at East Troy Middle School as a part of the 2023-2024 budget. The updates include painting of walls and lockers, refurbishing of the terrazzo floor, and vinyl wrapping of doors and graphic designing of wall sections in the building. Before and after photos of the building were shared.
- F. Family Satisfaction Survey results conducted per School Perceptions: Information on the Family Satisfaction Survey was presented by Dr. Chris Hibner. The presentation included a video from School Perceptions, Daren Sievers. Mr. Sievers stated the results were overwhelmingly positive. He commented that areas scoring at 25% or lower are considered needing improvement and that East Troy had no areas below the 44th percentile. Areas at 75% or higher are considered significant strengths and there were four areas at or above 75th percentile. The top five scores by percent of parents saying Agree/Strongly Agree were: My child has appropriate technology available at school - 97%. School facilities are clean and well-kept - 93%. My child feels safe at school - 91%. School staff treat my child with dignity and respect - 91%. I feel welcome in my child's school - 90%. The bottom five scores by percent of parents saying Agree/Strongly Agree were: School communication is both timely and transparent - 77%. I have opportunities to provide feedback to the school/teachers - 78%. The school in which my child attends has up-to-date athletic facilities - 80%. I am satisfied with our schools efforts to address student conflict and/or bullying - 73%. I am satisfied with the food choices at lunch - 74%. When asked how likely they would be to recommend East Troy schools to a friend or family member, parents responded with an average score of 7.56 out of 10. This is the same as the average of all districts surveyed by School Perceptions. The survey responses will be analyzed by each school building to better understand the responses and needs for individual buildings. The survey was sent out later in the school year because the district had sent out a community survey shortly before the

family survey. In the future, the survey will likely be sent out earlier in hopes of getting a better response rate.

- G. Initial Resolution Authorizing General Obligation Bonds in an Amount Not to Exceed \$19,400,000: The board discussed the scope and amount of a referendum and scheduled a special board meeting for Wednesday, August 21, 2024 at 5:30 pm in the Library at East Troy High School to consider approval of a resolution for a referendum election.
- H. Resolution Providing for a Referendum Election on the Question for the Approval of an Initial Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds in an Amount Not to Exceed \$19,400,000: Moved to Special Board Meeting on Wednesday, August 21, 2024 at 5:30 pm in the Library at East Troy High School. The meeting will be live streamed and can be accessed via the district website.
- I. New educator introductions: Introductions of New Educators were shared by Amy Foszpanczyk, Director of Elementary Teaching and Learning, and Taylor Baumeister, Director of Secondary Teaching and Learning. 17 educators were introduced as new to the district.

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

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- A. District Administrator Report: None.
- B. Business Manager Report: None
- C. Director of Teaching and Continuous Improvement of Student Learning Report: None
- D. Director of Pupil Services: Update related to Mental Health Agency and District Partnership - Amanda Jones, Director of Pupil Services, presented the ongoing partnership with Clinical Psychology Associates (CPA). This partnership started through a Memorandum of Understanding agreement in 2022. The district is adding a second partnership with Guided Wellness Counseling through a Memorandum of Understanding. One Guided Wellness therapist will work with students and staff at Little Prairie Primary, and another therapist will work with staff and students at Prairie View Elementary, Middle School, and High School. Get Kids Ahead grant funding and School Based Mental Health Funding will be used to fund this partnership. Additionally, funding for sessions with individual students will be billed by Guided Wellness Counseling to the student's insurance if applicable.
- E. School Board President's Report: None.

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

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- A. Policy 345.1 Administrative Rule: High School Grading System - *2nd Reading*

B. Policy 345.7: Graduation - *2nd Reading*

C. Policy 363.5 Administrative Rule: Online Learning Policy - *2nd Reading*

***XI. COMMUNICATION / ANNOUNCEMENTS***

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None.

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

None.

***XV. ADJOURNMENT***

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A motion was made by Ted Zess and seconded by Adam Witkiewicz to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Lambrechts