

February 13, 2012

The East Troy Community School District Board met in regular session on February 13, 2012. The meeting was called to order by President, Bill Garvens at 7:01 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Mike Zei, Martha Bresler, Brian Wexler, Dawn Buchholtz, and Bill Garvens. Also present were Dr. Christopher Hibner, Kathy Zwirgzdas, administrators, fourteen 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 Martha Bresler and seconded by Brian Wexler for approval of the agenda, as posted. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Martha Bresler and seconded by Mike Zei to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2012 regular Board meeting and the February 6, 2012 special meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PER BOARD POLICY

Mr. Charles Harwood expressed his concern of implementing more off-campus peanut free activities for students with peanut allergies.

Mrs. Lisa Jacobs-Meehan expressed her concern of potential safety issues as it related to drop off and pickup of students at Prairie View Elementary.

VII. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. District Administrator Report:

- i. District timelines as it pertains to 2012-13 school year: Dr. Chris Hibner briefly discussed budget, insurance, employee handbook, open enrollment, WI Act 309 pertaining to school safety, harassment and bullying procedures, ad hoc committees, district calendar, physical education WI Act 105, and other initiatives as they pertain to the 2012-2013 school year.
- ii. Specific staff giving an overview of PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports): Dr. Chris Hibner announced that the PBIS overview will be presented in the March 12, 2012 Board Meeting.

- B. Business Manager Report: Kathy Zwirgzdas reported on the January count there was an increase of one student since the third Friday of September 2011.
- C. Director of Instruction Report: No report submitted.
- D. Student Representative Report: Bridgette Hart discussed a recent art show that students participated in, upcoming Career Panel, Jazz Ensemble, Challenge Day, boys & girls basketball success, as well as the progress of the Click-It program.
- E. School Board President's Report:
 - i. The Student Learning Subcommittee: No report submitted.
 - ii. The Operational Subcommittee met and discussed the recent Architect interviews and potential time-lines and committees pertaining to the possible upcoming referendum.

VIII. FINANCIAL REPORT AND APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS AND RECEIPTS

No report submitted.

IX. POLICY REVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT

No report submitted.

X. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Acceptance of donation from Runzheimer: A motion was made by Martha Bresler and seconded by Mike Zei to approve, with appreciation, the acceptance of the donation of monies toward the purchase of Google Chromebooks to the high school English department from Runzheimer. Motion carried unanimously.
- B. Preliminary discussion pertaining to Employee Handbook: A special meeting was scheduled for March 5, 2012 at 6:30pm to further discuss the future Employee Handbook.
- C. Staffing recommendations – Extra-curricular contracts: A motion was made by Martha Bresler and seconded by Brian Wexler to approve extra-curricular contracts for spring sports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- D. High School Second Semester Field Trips: A motion was made by Brian Wexler and seconded by Mike Zei to approve high school second semester field trips, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

- E. High School extended field trip request via High School Spanish Department: Janel Francis and Kelly Geisert presented the interest of the high school Spanish program to travel to Spain in July 2013. The trip will be guided by Education First: Educational Tours. No action was taken.
- F. Approve audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011: A motion was made by Martha Bresler and seconded by Mike Zei to approve the 10-11 audit. Motion carried.
- G. District Calendar for 2012-13 school year: A motion was made by Brian Wexler and seconded by Mike Zei to approve the East Troy Community School District 2012-2013 Calendar – Version #3A. Roll call vote: Mike Zei, aye; Martha Bresler, abstain; Brian Wexler, aye; Dawn Buchholtz, aye; Bill Garvens, aye. Motion carried.
- H. Request for two public participation sections/comments per agenda: After discussion, no action was taken.
- I. Professional staff contract renewal/nonrenewal: Moved to executive session.
- J. Employee leave of absence request: Moved to executive session.
- K. Update on professional staff employment: Moved to executive session.
- L. Discussion of property purchase: Moved to executive session.

XI. COMMUNICATIONS/ ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Hibner discussed the use of technology in the East Troy Community School District in comparison to other school districts in Wisconsin, as well as raising our expectations of student character development and providing necessary support to our students toward creating a climate that has high behavioral expectations of every student and adult.

Creating an environment that truly demonstrates positive behaviors that represent respect at all times and building positive relationships. Finally, Dr. Hibner thanked the Board of Education for their ongoing support toward our continued emphasis on being the district of choice by allowing necessary initiatives and the development of a sense of urgency. Lastly, he informed the Board of Education upon reflection of various aspects, but one being the relationship with the Board of Education and the direction of the district, he elected not to pursue a possible professional opportunity that the board was aware of at this time.

XII. BOARD OF EDUCATION – FUTURE ITEMS

Dawn Buchholtz after briefly reviewing her experience at the WASB convention, suggested that East Troy discuss further Character Education with a contact she had made at the convention.

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 professional staff contract renewal/nonrenewal, employee leave of absence request, update on professional staff employment and discussion of property purchase. Mike Zei, aye; Martha Bresler, aye; Brian Wexler, aye; Dawn Buchholtz, aye; Bill Garvens, aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned to executive session at 9:18 p.m.

At 10:03 p.m. a motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Brian Wexler to reconvene to open session and the motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Brian Wexler to approve of the professional staff recommended by administration for preliminary nonrenewal and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz to approve the recommend employee leave of absence request and seconded by Mike Zei. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Brian Wexler to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 p.m. Martha Bresler seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Wexler