

**EAST TROY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes – February 24, 2014**

The East Troy Community School District Board met in regular session on February 24, 2014. The meeting was called to order by President, Dawn Buchholtz at 7:01 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Ted Zess, Murry Mitten, Martha Bresler, Mike Zei and Dawn Buchholtz. Also present were Dr. Christopher Hibner, Kathy Zwirgzdas, Amy Foszpanczyk, administrators, nine guests and one reporter.

Dawn Buchholtz 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 Mike Zei and seconded by Murry Mitten for approval of the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES ON FEBRUARY 3, 2014 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

A motion was made by Mike Zei and seconded by Murry Mitten to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2014 regular Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PER BOARD POLICY

Steve Douglas proposed to the Board that the baseball fields at the middle school be named in honor of Brad Mysliwski, who was a member of the East Troy varsity baseball team from 1996-1999. Brad Mysliwski was team captain, part of the all-conference team in 1999 and was also a member of the 1999 State Championship. Steve Douglas explained that through coaching Brad, it was quite evident that he was a passionate young man, team player and an outstanding leader on and off the field. Steve Douglas also explained that in December 2013 Brad Mysliwski passed away from a rare stomach cancer and believes that naming the fields after him would be a great way to honor a former athlete that left a lasting impression on the program.

Jill Douglas presented plaques and newspaper clippings of Brad Mysliwski's accomplishments.

Brian Beierle also presented on honoring the baseball fields in the name of Brad Mysliwski. Brian explained that he had played baseball with Brad and elaborated on the outstanding leadership that Brad exuberated. Brian also explained to the Board that the strength and determination that was

demonstrated through his struggle with stomach cancer were characteristics he learned out on the baseball field. Brian Beierle agreed that that naming the fields after Brad Mysliwski would be a great way to honor a former athlete that left a lasting impression on the program.

VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. District Administrator Report:

- i. Dr. Chris Hibner discussed a brief overview of District Goals and District Initiatives with a focus on creating, maintaining and engaging students in a personalized learning environment.
- ii. A video regarding personalized learning environments was tabled.

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: No report submitted.

F. School Board President's Report:

- i. Ted Zess announced to the Board that Patronum Bots robotics team participated and won the Iowa State Championship for the FIRST Technology Challenge (FTC) program.

IX. FINANCIAL REPORT

A motion was made by Martha Bresler and seconded by Mike Zei to approve the January 2014 payments in the amount of \$1,424,666.39 and receipts in the amount of \$6,757,738.30 as reflected on the financial statements. Motion carried unanimously.

X. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Acceptance of Donation to East Troy School District: Christine Hamele presented on a "Buddy Bench" project and donations towards the project. A motion was made by Martha Bresler and seconded by Mike Zei to accept the donation of \$1,008.40 that will be used toward the purchasing and installation of Buddy Bench's at each elementary school. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Approval of High School Overnight Field Trips: Julie Busch and Kelly Geisert presented on the France/Spain trip tentatively planned for the end of June 2015. A motion was made by Mike Zei and seconded by Ted Zess to approve the France/Spain field trip as presented. Roll call vote: Ted Zess, aye; Murry Mitten, nay; Martha Bresler, nay, Mike Zei, nay, Dawn Buchholtz, nay. Motion not carried. A motion was made by Murry Mitten and seconded by Martha Bresler to approve the

France/Spain field trip as presented with exception that policy pertaining to emergency situations where a student would need to be sent home needs to be reviewed and brought back to the Board of Education. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Martha Bresler and seconded by Murry Mitten to approve the field trips as presented: Jazz Band to UW-Eau Claire jazz festival, FBLA State Conference, National Art Honor Society for Painting, Photography and Nature Experience 2014, FFA State Convention and FFA Officer Leadership Retreat. Motion carried unanimously.

- C. Approval of Proposed East Troy Community School District Summer School Courses: Amy Foszpanczyk presented proposed 2014 summer school courses. A motion was made by Ted Zess and seconded by Mike Zei to approve the 2014 summer school courses as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- D. Summer School Fees for Students who are not in our District: A motion was made by Mike Zei and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz to approve a non-resident summer school tuition of \$100, plus regular course fees where applicable, and high school Wisconsin Virtual School course fees must be paid by the out of District student. Motion carried unanimously.
- E. Staffing Resignations: A motion was made by Martha Bresler and seconded by Mike Zei to approve the retirement of Twila Voss. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Murry Mitten and seconded by Ted Zess to approve the retirement of Marge Hell. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Murry Mitten and seconded by Mike Zei to approve the retirement of Bonnie Mann. Motion carried unanimously.
- F. Notice of Election of School Board Members: Dr. Chris Hibner read the official notice of election of School Board members.
- G. Compensation Committee update: Kathy Zwirgzdas presented an update on items discussed during recent Compensation Committee meetings.
- H. Preliminary Staffing Proposals: Item moved to executive session.
- I. Administration and Supervisory Personnel/Configuration for the 2014-2015 School Year: Item moved to executive session.

XI. POLICY REVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT:

- A. Board Policy 551 – Leaves (military leave language), item tabled.

XII. COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Board shared stories and thanked the recent retirees for their years of service

Dr. Chris Hibner congratulated the Patronum Bots on their recent Iowa State Championship, all students who participated in the middle school Solo Ensemble contest and the six high school wrestlers for qualifying for the Individual State Wrestling tournament.

XIII. BOARD OF EDUCATION – FUTURE ITEMS:

No items submitted.

XIV. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Murry Mitten and seconded by Martha Bresler to adjourn to executive session for discussion of preliminary staffing proposals an administration/supervisory personnel for the 2014-2015 school year as provided under 19.85 (1) (c). Ted Zess, aye; Murry Mitten, aye; Martha Bresler, aye; Mike Zei, aye; Dawn Buchholtz, aye. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

XV. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Martha Bresler and seconded by Mike Zei to reconvene to open session at 10:26 p.m. Ted Zess, aye; Murry Mitten, aye; Martha Bresler, aye; Mike Zei, aye; Dawn Buchholtz, aye. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Martha Bresler and seconded by Ted Zess to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Zei