

**EAST TROY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Regular Meeting Minutes – March 25, 2013**

The East Troy Community School District Board met in regular session on March 25, 2013. The meeting was called to order by President, Brian Wexler at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Murry Mitten, Martha Bresler, Dawn Buchholtz, Mike Zei and Brian Wexler. Also present were Dr. Chris Hibner, Kathy Zwirgzdas, Amy Foszpanczyk, administrators, two guests and one reporter.

Brian Wexler 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 Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Martha Bresler for approval of the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

***V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES ON MARCH 11, 2013 REGULAR BOARD MEETING***

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A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Martha Bresler to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2013 regular Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

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

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Bruce LittleJohn expressed his concern for safety and outdated equipment in the industrial technology department at the high school.

***VII. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS***

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A. District Administrator Report:

- i. Ms. Kayla Hack, an East Troy graduate and FFA State President reported on her day-to-day responsibilities of being the FFA State President. She also stressed the importance of district support of agriculture programming and the benefits to the students and community of having an agriculture program. Kayla Hack also stated that she is proud to say that she is an East Troy alumnus and all the support and encouragement that the District has given her and the agriculture department over the years. Dr. Chris Hibner recognized several recent accomplishments throughout the district, including but not limited academic, extracurricular, technology, music, arts, athletics and volunteer.

- ii. Mr. Mike Weygand, high school counselor presented on recent high school initiatives: Online programming, junior parents night, T.E.A.M. E.T.C., Parents Who Host, Lose the Most Campaign, Life of an Athlete, YRBS (Youth Risk Behavior Survey), bullying, and grade 9 student and parent conferencing – Individual Learning Plans.
- B. Business Manager Report: No items submitted.
- C. Director of Instruction Report: Mr. Greg Quam of Project Lead the Way presented on PLTW programming.
- D. Student Representative Report:
  - i. Dani Stemper stated that spring sports have begun and that the musical this year is Sherlock Holmes.
  - ii. Brett Harper recapped the high school Reality Store event, stated that there is an upcoming blood drive as well as ACT exams.

### ***VIII. FINANCIAL REPORT***

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A motion was made by Martha Bresler and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz to approve the February 2013 payments in the amount of \$1,536,635.71 and receipts in the amount of \$5,055,136.15 as reflected on the financial statements. Motion carried unanimously.

### ***IX. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS***

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- A. HRA Language Policy Revision: A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Mike Zei to approve the amended policy provisions as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- B. Staffing Resignations: A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Mike Zei to accept the retirement of Dan Parr with great gratitude. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Mike Zei to accept the retirement of Steve Hensgen with great gratitude. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Mike Zei to accept the retirement of Mary Owsley with great gratitude. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Mike Zei to accept the resignation of Patricia Oberle. Motion carried unanimously. Martha Bresler commented upon the incredible dedication of the individuals retiring or resigning to education, the East Troy School District and the East Troy community over the last 30+ years.
- C. School Visitor Policy: A motion was made by Murry Mitten and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz to approve the School Visitor Policy as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

- D. Notice of Election for School Board: Notice of election for School Board and polling locations were read.
- E. Open Enrollment Exception Request per new State Statute: Item moved to executive session.
- F. Preliminary Staffing Proposals: Item moved to executive session.

***X. POLICY REVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT:***

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No items discussed.

***XI. COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS***

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Dr. Chris Hibner announced the date for the Operation Click Award Ceremony and that Mr. Robert Ellis, East Troy Director of Buildings and Grounds and Safety Coordinator graduated from the School Safety Coordinator Certification Program through Wisconsin School Safety Coordinators Association. Dr. Hibner also commented on a letter he had received concerning the professionalism and outstanding work done by students and staff for Band-O-Rama. Dr. Hibner also stated that there is a CESA 2 convention on May 21, 2013. Finally, Dr. Hibner reminded the Board of Education to continue to keep the focus on raising student achievement and increasing student engagement, ensuring and providing quality professional staff while utilizing technology, facilities, operations, and community engagement. He urged all stakeholders to think about what components attract students to the community and district.

Mike Zei commented on his connection to community members and the facets of living in a small town.

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

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No items submitted.

***XIII. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION***

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A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Mike Zei to adjourn to executive session to discuss open enrollment exception request per new State Statute and preliminary staffing proposal as provided under s.s. 19.85 (1)(c). Murry Mitten, aye; Martha Bresler, aye; Mike Zei, aye; Dawn Buchholtz, aye; Brian Wexler, aye. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

***XIV. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION***

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A motion was made by Martha Bresler and seconded by Dawn Buchholtz to reconvene to open session at 10:05 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Mike Zei to approve the presented open enrollment request. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dawn Buchholtz and seconded by Mike Zei to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Zei