

**EAST TROY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Regular Meeting Minutes – October 13, 2014**

The East Troy Community School District Board met in regular session on October 13, 2014. The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Dawn Buchholtz at 7:05 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Steve Lambrechts, Martha Bresler, and Chris Smith. Student representatives present were Julia Kostopoulos and Monica Zoellner. Also present were Dr. Christopher Hibner, Amy Foszpanczyk, Kathy Zwirgzdas, administrators, and 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***

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

***V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES***

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A motion was made by Chris Smith and seconded by Steve Lambrechts for the approval of the September 22, 2014 (annual and regular) minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

***VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION***

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None.

***VII. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS***

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A. District Administrator Report:

- i. Referendum Update – Dr. Hibner encouraged people to visit the website and take note of an upcoming mailing in order to have information on the upcoming referendum.
- ii. Brief youtube video on growth mindset – Dr. Hibner will send out the link on a video regarding school systems focusing on the myth of “average” needs. Dr. Rose (Harvard Professor) depicts within the video as the Air Force had to address with their cockpits; addressing the issue of only designing cockpits based upon the average, that it was creating great difficulty for the Air Force, so to, must education

address their system by pushing the edges. That the current educational system is still a system design that met the societal and economic needs of the late 1800's and some of the 1900's, but not today. That we must utilize the tools and various components toward pushing the edge toward a design that does not address the average, but rather; addresses all students.

- B. Business Manager Report: 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Enrollment / Membership Count – Kathy Zwirgzdas reported on a favorable 2014-15 count – including increased head count over projections and last year's head count, and stabilized open enrollment out numbers.
- C. Director of Instruction Report: None.
- D. Director of Special Education/District Assessment Coordinator: None.
- E. School Board President's Report: None.

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

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None.

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

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- A. Acceptance of donation: Chris Smith made a motion to accept the donation of the Nature's Fury Lego Mindstorms EV3 set to the ET Middle School with our deepest sympathies to the family of Han Tu (Kelvin), and Martha Bresler seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- B. Staffing recommendation(s): Steve Lambrechts made a motion to accept the hire of Tracy Ojeda for the Special Ed Supervisor, contingent upon the acceptance of her resignation from her current school district. Chris Smith seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
- C. Resolution authorizing temporary borrowing in the amount not to exceed \$4,100,000 and issue its tax and revenue anticipation promissory note(s) pursuant to Section 67.12(8)(a)(1), Wis. Stats: Chris Smith made a motion pursuant to Section 67.12(8)(a)(1), Wisconsin Statutes, authorizing temporary borrowing for the East Troy Community School District, the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$4,100,000. Martha Bresler seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- D. Athletic Team(s) State Tournament schedules for 2014-2015 and the days that conflict with school days: Martha Bresler made a motion to maintain last year's protocols should this year a team make it to State. Steve Lambrechts seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- E. Policy 536.1 (Supervision, Evaluation and Feedback): Chris Smith made a motion to approve Policy 536.1 as revised. Steve Lambrechts seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- F. Policy 171 (Regular Board Meetings) Chris Smith made a motion to approve Policy 171. Steve Lambrechts seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- G. School Bell Request (reference disposal of fixed assets – 630): Martha Bresler made a motion to contact the historical society regarding if they have an interest in the bell and if they have any information on the bell. The information garnered is then to be brought back to the Board level. Dawn Buchholtz seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- H. Individual retirement request by professional staff member: Closed session item.
- I. Employment and/or compensation of professional staff member(s) as related to the Athletic Director responsibilities: Closed session item.

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

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830 – Community Use of Facilities – (Second Reading) – Facility Use requests by policy is being amended to 180 days from 360 days due to the software capabilities of the scheduler software.

***XI. COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:***

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Dr. Hibner congratulated the ET Equestrian Team going to the State Qualifying Show for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Year in a row. He also reported on the NASA Hunch Kick-off. He reiterated the importance of the message of no texting and driving to our students. Finally, he stated a *'kick start for the brain': In 2001 1/3 of the districts in Wisconsin were in declining enrollment. In 2012, 2/3 of the districts in Wisconsin were in declining enrollment. Today, 75% of our students are in 30% of our districts.*

***XII. BOARD OF ED -- FUTURE ITEMS:***

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Recommendation to bring back the fixed assets policy incorporating social media as selling options.

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

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A motion was made by Chris Smith and seconded by Steve Lambrechts to adjourn to executive session at 8:35 p.m. pursuant to the discussion of consideration of strategies relative to the employment and/or compensation of a professional staff member as it relates to an individual retirement request and to professional staff member(s) as related to the Athletic Director responsibilities as provided under

19.85(1)(c). Roll call vote: Steve Lambrechts – yes, Chris Smith – yes, Martha Bresler – yes, Dawn Buchholtz – yes. Motion carried.

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

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A motion was made by Chris Smith and seconded by Martha Bresler to reconvene to open session at 9:21 p.m.. Roll call vote – all yes. A motion was made by Martha Bresler and seconded by Steve Lambrechts to follow the administration’s recommendation with regard to assigned athletic responsibilities. Motion carried unanimously.

***XV. ADJOURNMENT***

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A motion was made by Chris Smith and seconded by Steve Lambrechts to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Smith