

**EAST TROY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes – April 26, 2021**

The East Troy Community School District Board met in regular session on April 26, 2021. The meeting was called to order by President Ted Zess at 6:00 p.m followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members also present were Dale Ames, Bob Dignan, Anna Janusz, and Steve Lambrechts. Also present were Dr. Christopher Hibner, Kathy Zwirgzdas, administrators/supervisors, and 3 guests. 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

A motion was made by Bob Dignan and seconded by Steve Lambrechts for the approval of the agenda as posted. Motion carried unanimously.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Bob Dignan and seconded by Steve Lambrechts to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2021 regular board meeting, and the April 19, 2021 special board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. REORGANIZATION OF EAST TROY COMMUNITY SCHOOL BOARD

- A. Swearing in of recently elected members: Dale Ames and Anna Janusz were sworn in as new board members.
- B. Election of Officers:
- i. President: Steve Lambrechts made a motion to nominate Ted Zess for President. Ted Zess asked for any other nominations three times. No other nominations were suggested. Motion carried unanimously.
 - ii. Vice President: Bob Dignan made a motion to nominate Anna Janusz for Vice President. Ted Zess asked for any other nominations three times. No other nominations were suggested. Motion carried unanimously.
 - iii. Clerk: Bob Dignan made a motion to nominate Steve Lambrechts for Clerk. Ted Zess asked for any other nominations three times. No other nominations were suggested. Motion carried unanimously.

- iv. Treasurer: Steve Lambrechts made a motion to nominate Bob Dignan for Treasurer. Ted Zess asked for any other nominations three times. No other nominations were suggested. Motion carried unanimously.
 - v. CESA Representative: Dale Ames volunteered for this position.
 - vi. WASB Delegate: Anna Janusz volunteered for this position.
- C. Committee Appointees:
- i. Student Learning Subcommittee: Bob Dignan and Anna Janusz
 - ii. Operational Subcommittee: Dale Ames and Steve Lambrechts
 - iii. Negotiations Representatives: Dale Ames and Steve Lambrechts

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PER BOARD POLICY

None.

VIII. FINANCIAL REPORT

Bob Dignan made a motion to approve March 2021 payments in the amount of \$1,725,054.55 and receipts in the amount of \$2,884,716.81 as reflected on the financial statements. Steve Lambrechts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

IX. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- A. Staffing retirement(s): None.
- B. Approval of donations: Bob Dignan made a motion to approve the donations from Key Benefit Concepts, the Venue, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Barrett, Adam Witkiewicz, Jessica Fuchs, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Zess, and Roettgers / Exxon Mobil. Anna Janusz seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- C. Consideration of changing May board meeting date: Bob Dignan made a motion to approve the change to a date of the next board meeting to May 10. Steve Lambrechts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- D. Student representative report: None.
- E. Discussion and action, if appropriate, pertaining unpaid obligations; and authorization for collection agency to pursue small claims litigation: Ted Zess made a motion to authorize working with the collection agency to collect with whatever means they can. Dale Ames seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- F. Policy 110 (Educational Philosophy): Ted Zess made a motion to approve the policy. Steve Lambrechts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

- G. Policy 345.71 (Early Graduation): Bob Dignan made a motion to approve the policy. Dale Ames seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- H. Policy 461 (Academic Excellence Higher Education Scholarship Program): Bob Dignan made a motion to approve the policy. Dale Ames seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- I. Update related to ESSER I, ESSER II, and ESSER III funds: Dr. Hibner expanded upon a previous board meeting’s discussion regarding ESSER, including known timelines, amounts, uses that have already occurred and possibilities for ESSER II and III funds.
- J. Discussion and action, if appropriate, regarding middle school rooftop AC units: Performance Services and Andy Daniels discussed the options. Ted Zess made a motion to submit for ESSER II funds already allocated for COVID related expenses in 2020-21 school year. Bob Dignan seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- K. Apprise of upcoming maintenance projects: Andy Daniels discussed the structure of the building and grounds department as well as facilities projects for the remainder of the 2020-21 fiscal year utilizing positive budget variance.
- L. Operational model timeline for 2021-2022 school year: Dr. Hibner discussed the plan is still 5 days a week learning in person next year, but recommendations and a presentation are coming at the June 7 board meeting.
- M. Spring sports and mitigation measures: Reid Oldenburg updated the Board regarding a football player testing positive for COVID, and a final game cancelation due to the high number of close contacts. Reid also discussed protocols for spring sports from the Rock Valley Conference.

X. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- A. District Administrator Report: None.
- B. Business Manager Report: None.
- C. Director of Teaching and Continuous Improvement of Student Learning Report: Summer School Registration update – Dr. Hibner said registration was extended; more reported next meeting.
- D. Director of Pupil Services: None.
- E. School Board President’s Report: None.

XI. POLICY REVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT

- 2nd Reading – Policy 451 – District Wellness Policy
- 2nd Reading – Policy 851 – Advertising in the Schools
- 2nd Reading – Policies 500’s – Annual updates to Personnel Policies

XII. COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

XIII. BOARD OF EDUCATION – FUTURE ITEMS

Steve Lambrechts would like masks for summer school brought up at a future meeting. Dale Ames would like to discuss energy savings and it was recommended to meet with Andy and report back to the board. Bob Dignan discussed inviting community for a potential referendum group (ad-hoc committee). Dale Ames discussed an improved relationship and communication with the community and the fundraising ability.

XIV. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

XV. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

None.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Bob Dignan and seconded by Steve Lambrechts to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Lambrechts