

**EAST TROY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Referendum Presentation and Regular Meeting Minutes – February 19, 2020**

The East Troy Community School District Board met for a referendum presentation and then regular session on February 19, 2020.

The referendum presentation began at 5:18. Board members present were Tony Barrett, Bob Dignan, Jessica Fuchs and Ted Zess. Steve Lambrechts arrived at 5:38. Also present were administrators/supervisors and eight guests.

The regular meeting was called to order by President Ted Zess at 7:34 p.m followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members also present were Tony Barrett, Bob Dignan, Jessica Fuchs and Steve Lambrechts. Also present were Dr. Christopher Hibner, administrators/supervisors. 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 Jessica Fuchs 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 Jessica Fuchs and seconded by Steve Lambrechts to approve the minutes of the January 20, 2020 regular board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PER BOARD POLICY

None.

VII. FINANCIAL REPORT

Bob Dignan made a motion to approve the January 2020 payments in the amount of \$1,725,955.78 and receipts in the amount of \$7,040,930.99 as reflected on the financial statements. Steve Lambrechts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

VIII. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- A. Approval of Donations: Dr. Hibner presented information about Lakeland Community Church's donation of \$750 to the district, Exxon foundation's math and science grant of \$500 to Prairie

View school and Pewaukee Metro Market's donation of school supplies to East Troy Middle School totaling \$1392. Jessica Fuchs made a motion to accept all donations. Ted Zess seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

- B. Student Representative Report: None.
- C. Update on trimester schedule: Stacey Kuehn and Kent Kleinowski discussed the transition to the trimester schedule this school year.
- D. Approval of Policy 514: Policy 514 for Building Access and Key and Fob Issuance was reviewed. Ted Zess made a motion to approve the policy. Bob Dignan seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- E. Approval of overnight field trip request: Stacey Kuehn and Kent Kleinowski gave information about proposed overnight field trips including: National Art Honor Society on May 22, 2020 for the National Art Honor Society, High School Key Club from March 13 through March 15, 2020, the FBLA April 4 and 5, 2020 and the FFA Winter Leadership Retreat from March 6 through March 7, 2020. Jessica Fuchs made a motion to approve all requests as presented. Tony Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- F. Choose Board of Canvassers for election in April: Stacey Kuehn, Ted Zess and Tony Barrett volunteered. Jessica Fuchs motioned to accept Stacey, Ted and Tony as the Board of Canvassers and Bob Dignan seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- G. Preliminary staff proposals – from time to time, the board needs to adjourn to executive session to address specific personnel regarding budgetary implications for future years: Moved to executive session.
- H. Discussion and action, if appropriate related to leave request: Moved to executive session.
- I. Update regarding parent complaint related to controversial materials: Moved to executive session.
- J. Update regarding parent complaint related to athletics: Moved to executive session.
- K. Discussion pertaining negotiations with vendors related to high school summer project: Moved to executive session.
- L. Evaluation of District Administrator: Moved to executive session.

IX. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- A. District Administrator Report:
 - i. Review District Newsletter
 - ii. FAQ's pertaining upcoming referendum question

- B. Business Manager Report: January Pupil Count
- C. Director of Teaching and Continuous Improvement of Student Learning Report: None
- D. Director of Special Education and Pupil Service: None
- E. School Board President's Report: None

X. POLICY REVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT

2nd reading Policy 432 Homelessness

XI. COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Hibner congratulated Middle School and High School students in band and choir for their accomplishments within the recent solo ensemble competition. Dr. Hibner provided a reminder of the upcoming Wisconsin Forward Exam which will be coming up (beginning in March) for students in the 3rd through 8th grade; along with 10th grade – Social Studies. However, Dr. Hibner noted the importance to keep in mind the many important areas of learning and aspects of the whole child which an assessment such as that does not cover. He commented that state assessments should be used by the District, but that defining success of a child's learning should go well beyond one test. We continue to value creativity, critical thinking, collaboration, communication, curiosity, and social emotional well-being of the whole child and want to be careful that we don't take those skills away from our learners. Let those be what we value and the state test scores be a byproduct of those values.

XII. BOARD OF EDUCATION – FUTURE ITEMS

Jessica Fuchs thanked the broadcasting department for the video that they worked on with her.

Dr. Hibner informed the board that there has been interest in meeting with the board for the potential sale of Chester Byrnes property but they would like to meet with the board in closed session to share their initial proposal per a special meeting since the next board meeting is not scheduled until March 18. An agreed upon date of Wednesday March 4 at 6pm was the tentative date for a special closed meeting to be held at District Office in order to review / negotiate this initial proposal.

XIII. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ted Zess made a motion to adjourn to executive session at 8:36 for discussion of preliminary staffing proposals, leave of absence request, update regarding parent complaint related to controversial materials, update regarding parent complaint related to athletics and District Administrator evaluation as provided under 19.85(1)(b) and 19.85(1)(c) and 118.125. Jessica Fuchs seconded the motion. Roll call

vote: Steve Lambrechts – yes, Bob Dignan– yes, Tony Barrett – yes, Jessica Fuchs-yes, and Ted Zess – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

XIV. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION –

A motion was made by Jessica Fuchs and seconded by Bob Dignan to reconvene to open session at 11:15 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Jessica Fuchs and seconded by Tony Barrett to approve the leave of absence request. Motion carried unanimously.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Jessica Fuchs and seconded by Bob Dignan to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 11:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Lambrechts