

**EAST TROY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Special Meeting Minutes – September 19, 2022**

The East Troy Community School District Board met in special open session on September 19, 2022. The meeting was called to order by President Ted Zess at 5:40 p.m. Board members also present were Dale Ames, Anna Janusz, Steve Lambrechts, and Adam Witkiewicz. Also present were Dr. Christopher Hibner, PSI consultant, administrators/supervisors, and nine 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.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS POSTED

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

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PER BOARD POLICY

None.

V. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

Planning process for possible District Referendum (informational/discussion):

- A. What is the problem statement? Financial background information was discussed: revenue limits and the past state budget that had zero dollars per pupil (no increase to revenue limit), revenue cap gaps resulting in yearly structural deficits, enrollment, inflation, etc.
- B. Create list of all relevant information. Board members offered: student overall readiness for workforce and or college, test scores or achievement indicators, real quick layman information, data on mill rate over the years, history of funding, help people understanding that we are thoughtful with our spending and need it for basic needs. Community engagement will help trust. Different venues (paper, social media, etc.) Identifying priorities of what should be addressed. Brand identity. Facilitator asked each board member if they believe the district is heading toward an operational referendum and general consensus was yes.
- C. Set next meeting date and time: Oct 3 and Oct 17, 5-7 at Doubek Building.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Anna Janusz and seconded by Steve Lambrechts to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Lambrechts