

**EASTERN LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 13, 2013**

Call to Order

Mrs. Micki Atkins called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge and Prayer

Mrs. Atkins led the Pledge and Prayer

Roll Call

Mrs. Micki Atkins	Present
Mr. Brad Bapst	Present
Mrs. Debra Hannah	Present
Mrs. Valerie Craft	Present
Mr. Frank Bevins	Present

Consent Items

- A. Adoption of Agenda
- B. Adoption of the Minutes of the April 8th Regular Meeting
- C. Acceptance of the April Financial Reports

Mrs. Hannah moved and Mr. Bevins seconded to bundle and approve the consent items.

Discussion: None

Vote:

Mr. Bapst-Yes Mrs. Hannah-Yes Mrs. Craft-Yes Mr. Bevins-Yes Mrs. Atkins-Yes

Moment of Excellence

Elementary Principal Pam Brown recognized two 5th grade students Andrew Cochenour who received a superior rating and Drew Thornsberry who received an excellent rating at the State Science Fair. Mrs. Atkins stated that she appreciated Elementary school art teacher Sherry Montgomery who is retiring May 31st for her time here at Eastern.

Public Participation

None

Board Reports

Mr. Bevins stated that the HB59 is now in the Senate.

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Old Business

Mr. Bevins stated that the scoreboard poles are set and AEP is coming back to run the electric to the sign. Mr. Bevins also stated that concrete was donated by DGM and stated that the field will be crowned next year and that the driveway is good for now. Mr. Leist reported that the business leaders and Pleasant Hill met and stated that the eight finalists were picked to start working. Mrs. Atkins asked if anyone attended the art show and Mr. Bevins stated that all went well.

New Business

The next regular meeting will be held June 10, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. in the platform room.

Mr. Leist asked the Board for a professional day to go to Clermont Northeastern to hand out a scholarship. Mr. Bevins asked the Board about purchasing a hay wagon for the school and to be used for the football program. Mr. Leist asked if we can get prices before doing anything. Mr. Bevins asked about drilling a well for watering the football field, by drilling under the track to add water lines.

Administrative Reports

Mr. Matt Hines, 6-12 Principal, reported that the Eastern Arts Festival was held on May 9th, with the Band performing and the Spanish Club having their annual Mexican dinner during the event, that the OAA testing went smoothly for all 6-8 grade students, that their attendance was good, that area business leaders and experts met with seniors on May 8th, that recently the linkage was completed for value added data for teachers next year which is used to determine the one year of growth or not, that recently attended a school safety Professional Development day, that Terra Nova testing was held this week for middle school students, that free sports physicals were offered on May 6th by SOMC, that OGT scores were released and Mr. Hines stated that the scores were the best ever, that the Math 24 tournaments will be held over the next two weeks, May 15th is the day that the winner of the grant will be announced and the Science Club cookout will be held, that May 17th the 8th grade will take their trip to Kings Island, and the Organ Donation Speaker will talk to Mr. Leggs' class, that on May 21st middle school academic, athletic, and extra-curricular awards day will be held in the gym at 9:00 and that the Seniors will take their trip to Cedar Point, that on May 23rd the Eastern High School Senior Awards day will be at 9:00, May 24th 8th grade promotion will be at 9:00 and awards day for grades 9-11 at 1:00, May 25th Beaver and Stockdale Alumni Banquets in the high school cafetorium, May 26th will be the Baccalaureate and Commencement. Mr. Hines reported that they are currently exploring the idea of starting a vocational agriculture program for students at Eastern High School and possibly the Middle School, that Mr. Hines recognized students and staff for all their hard work this year and stated that this is a very exciting time for our district and appreciates the opportunity to be part of it. Mr. Hines stated that there will be a leadership academy with OSU next year.

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Mrs. Pam Brown, K-5 Principal, reported that the Kindergarten numbers are staying steady at 61 students, that another Kindergarten screening will be held May 23rd, that Kindergarten graduation will be May 22nd at 9:00 in the high school gym, that Drew Thornsberry and Andrew Cochenour attended the State Science Fair, Andrew received a superior rating and Drew received an excellent rating, that students worked hard during the OAA the week of April 22nd and the attendance was excellent, that this week the students will be taking the Terra Nova test. Mrs. Brown stated that we did not receive the Ohio Early Literacy and Reading Readiness Grant, that the Book Fair week was very busy and successful, that grades 4-6 are attending the Math 24 tournaments tomorrow, that the Volunteer appreciation luncheon for the elementary volunteers will be held Thursday, May 16th, that inflatable day will be held on Friday, May 17th, that both field days had to be cancelled due to bad weather rescheduled for another day, and that grades 1-5 will be having their awards on May 29th.

Mr. Bevins recognized the Administrators for all their hard work during the school year.

Treasurer's Items

A. Approve Budget Amendments

Mr. Schilling recommended that the Eastern Local Board of Education amend the estimated receipts and appropriations as presented.

• Estimated Receipts –

<u>Fund</u>	<u>SCC</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001	0000	General Fund	\$ 74,397.79
001	9005	Lowe's Shelter Project	\$ 200.00
200	9010	Spanish Club	\$ 605.00
300	9018	H.S. Athletics	\$ 4,618.09
572	9013	Title I	\$ (2,790.06)
Total Amendments			<u>\$ 77,030.82</u>
Amended Total Estimated Receipts			<u>\$ 9,927,849.05</u>

• Supplemental Amendments/Appropriations –

<u>Fund</u>	<u>SCC</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
200	9010	Spanish Club	\$ 604.00
572	9013	FY13 Title I	\$ (2,790.06)
590	9013	FY13 Improving Teacher Quality Grant	\$ (43.93)
			<u>\$ (2,229.99)</u>
Amended Total Appropriations			<u>\$ 10,126,308.79</u>

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B. Employee Life Insurance

Mr. Schilling recommended that the Eastern Local Board of Education terminate in-force life insurance coverage with Coresource effective May 31, 2013 and initiate coverage with American United Life Insurance Company through the Metropolitan Education Council (MEC) effective June 1, 2013.

C. Approve Five-Year Forecast

Mr. Schilling recommended that the Eastern Local Board of Education approve the May 2013 Five-Year Forecast and Assumptions as presented:

Mr. Bapst moved and Mrs. Hannah seconded to bundle and approve the Treasurer's Items.

Discussion: None

Vote:

Mrs. Hannah-Yes Mrs. Craft-Yes Mr. Bevins-Yes Mrs. Atkins-Yes Mr. Bapst-Yes

**Superintendent's Items
Personnel**

1. Approve Licensed Substitute

Mr. Leist recommended that the Eastern Local Board of Education approve Andrea Nichols as a licensed substitute for the 2012-13 school year.

2. Grant 3319.081 Contract

Mr. Leist recommended that the Eastern Local Board of Education grant a two-year 3319.081 contract to Jennifer Young (for the 2013-14 school year through 2014-15 school years) effective July 1, 2013

Mr. Bevins moved and Mrs. Hannah seconded to bundle and approve the Superintendent's personnel items.

Discussion: None

Vote:

Mrs. Craft-Yes Mr. Bevins-Yes Mrs. Atkins-Yes Mr. Bapst-Yes Mrs. Hannah-Yes

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**Superintendent's Item
Non-Personnel**

1. Resolution Opposing Ed Choice Scholarship Program Expansion

WHEREAS, Governor Kasich's biennial budget (HB 59) proposes to expand the Ed Choice Scholarship Program through two new options that will significantly increase the number of publicly-funded vouchers for students to attend private or parochial schools; and

WHEREAS, one of the programs provides private or parochial school tuition vouchers to any entering kindergarten student of a family with a household income less than 200 percent of the federal poverty level, to be used at the parent's choice of participating private or parochial school; and

WHEREAS, the following year, such vouchers would be expanded to include students in both kindergarten and first grade, totaling \$25 million over the biennium; and

WHEREAS, such vouchers would be granted without regard to the academic performance or quality of the public school that the student is assigned to attend; and

WHEREAS, the second voucher expansion proposed by the Governor in HB 59 expands eligibility for the Ed Choice voucher program to Kindergarten through 3rd grade students enrolled in buildings that received a "D" or "F" in the new K-3 Literacy component of the New Report Card in 2 of the 3 most recent report cards; and

WHEREAS, the operation of the proposed programs would effectively reduce funds from the already financially beleaguered local public school districts, resulting in fewer resources for the education of remaining students;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT, AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Eastern Local Board of Education does hereby express its opposition to these provisions in HB 59; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Eastern Local Board of Education expresses its opposition to any legislation that seeks to transfer public dollars to support private education; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer be directed to spread this resolution upon the minutes of the Board of Education and that copies of the resolution be forwarded to the Governor and members of the Ohio General Assembly.

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2. Join the Ohio High School Athletic Association

Mr. Leist recommended that the Eastern Local Board of Education join the Ohio High School Athletic Association for the 2013-14 school year. There is no membership cost.

3. Approve Maintenance Agreement

Mr. Leist recommended that the Eastern Local Board of Education enter into a one-year agreement with Shawn Willis to provide on-site maintenance at a cost of \$7,900.00 effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

4. Adopt Board Policies as a First Reading

Mr. Leist recommended that the Eastern Local Board of Education adopt the NEOLA Board Policies as a second reading as presented:

Mrs. Atkins moved and Mrs. Craft seconded to approve the non-personnel items.

Discussion: Mrs. Hannah asked if names should be in policy. Mr. Bevins asked about the cost of the chillers in the maintenance contract and Mr. Leist stated that it was all included in the total price.

Vote:

Mr. Bevins-Yes Mrs. Atkins-Yes Mr. Bapst-Yes Mrs. Hannah-Yes Mrs. Craft-Yes

Executive Session

Mrs. Atkins moved and Mr. Bapst second to enter into executive session for the purpose of negotiations and evaluation of personnel.

Vote:

Mrs. Atkins-Yes Mr. Bapst-Yes Mrs. Hannah-Yes Mrs. Craft-Yes Mr. Bevins-Yes

Entered into executive session at 7:32 p.m. and out at 7:53 p.m.

Adjournment

Mrs. Atkins moved and Mrs. Craft seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Discussion: None

Vote:

Mr. Bapst-Yes Mrs. Hannah-Yes Mrs. Craft-Yes Mr. Bevins-Yes Mrs. Atkins-Yes