

**EASTERN LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 14, 2016**

Call to Order

Mrs. Hannah called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Pledge and Prayer

Mrs. Hannah led the Pledge and Mrs. Atkins led the Prayer.

Roll Call

Mr. Bapst Absent
Mrs. Hannah Present
Mrs. Atkins Present
Mr. Bevins Present
Mr. Rowe Present

Consent Items

- A. Adoption of Agenda
- B. Adoption of the Minutes of the February Regular Meeting
- C. Acceptance of the February Financial Reports

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

Mr. Bapst arrived at 6:04 p.m.

Discussion: None

Vote:

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

Public Participation

Parent Rick Neace expressed his concern to the Board about the High School softball Coach and wanted someone to explain to him why players were cut from the team and wondered why they weren't called in to be told, instead was notified by a text and was sent a paper stating that the player did not make the team. Mr. Neace stated that coaches should bring the person in and explain to them why they didn't make the team and explain what they need to work on to make them better. Mr. Rowe agreed with Mr. Neace and asked how many seniors there were on the team. High School Principal Matt Hines stated that he found out about the cut after it had already happened and stated that the coach felt most comfortable with 13-14 kids on the team. Mrs. Hannah stated that she would like for someone to talk to the coach and the kids. Mrs. Atkins stated that she would like to see a better process for cutting if cutting is necessary. Mr. Hines stated that he has talked to the coach and asked her to talk to each one of the players let them know what they need to work on. Superintendent Neil Leist agreed with Mr. Neace and would like to see the kids stay and practice and not have coaches cut unless absolutely necessary.

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Board Reports

Mrs. Atkins stated that the ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Amendment) had passed and there was a lot more in the Bill in the Legislature.

Old Business

Mrs. Atkins stated that she was in the elementary office to see the security cameras and stated that the monitor on the wall that is used to buzz someone in and is still not big enough to see who is standing at the door. Mrs. Atkins would like for it to be big enough for the secretaries to see who is buzzing in.

Mr. Bevins stated that the science fair was good and there were a lot of good projects. Mr. Bevins asked about the mowing and if anyone mowed the baseball and softball fields yet and Mr. Hines responded that Rob Day has started working on it and Mr. Bevins asked if the scoreboards have been checked to see if they are working. Mr. Bevins asked about how the sidewalk to Beaver and Mr. Leist responded that there is still a lot of work to do to be considered for the grant.

New Business

Mr. Leist stated that negotiations are coming up for both classified and certified unions and stated that one Board member is needed on each negotiating team and reported that the teachers will meet one of three days April 5th, 6th, or 7th. Mr. Bevins agreed to be on the negotiating team for the certified union. Mr. Bapst agreed to be on the negotiating team for the classified union. Mr. Leist reported on Special Education and stated that there has been a lot of training for the Intervention Specialists over the last several years.

Mr. Leist stated that administration has been considering and recommends to the Board to discontinue contract services from Ross Pike ESC for School Psychologist, Speech Therapist and MD/SED units and continue contracting with the ESC for pre-school, TAG, and truant officer. Mr. Leist further suggested the Board hire a Special Education Supervisor, School Psychologist, Speech Therapist, a teacher and Aide to house a grades 7-12 MD/SED unit and coordinate with Western Local School District so that Eastern will operate a 7-12 MD/SED unit, and Western will operate a K-6 MD/SED unit. Mr. Leist stated that he wanted the Board to know and get their approval and if it is ok with the Board, then start looking for applicants. Mr. Bevins asked if there will be room for everyone. Mr. McFarland stated that inclusion went well when we were at the old Beaver School. Mr. Bevins asked about META/SCOCA and Mr. Leist explained about the situation.

The next regular meeting will be held April 11th 2016 p.m. in the platform room and a planning meeting at 4:00 p.m. in the Library.

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Administrative Reports

Mr. Matt Hines, 6-12 Principal, reported that the link to the report card data is available and is accessed to the building from the website and Mr. Hines stated that we are continuing to revise instruction and work to meet the needs of all students and have seen some excellent lessons in recent weeks doing observations for evaluations. Mr. Hines reported that Adena Career day on March 4th was a huge success and there was a great mix of volunteers and the students responded very well to the layout/presentations. Mr. Hines stated that he would like to thank Mrs. Clark on behalf of the presenters for the excellent lunch that day. Mr. Hines stated that OGT (Ohio Graduation Testing) started on Monday, March 14th and Terra Nova Testing will start on March 21st, which this determines the student growth measures in ETPES for evaluations for some teachers. Mr. Hines reported that on March 15th, there will be a college credit plus meeting with AP classes also being represented and stated hopefully there will be a good turnout. Mr. Hines stated that the 6th grade, Jr. High, and High School Quiz Bowl tournament will be March 15th, 17th and 22nd. Mr. Hines reported that the Parent/Teacher Conferences will be on March 31st with a one hour early dismissal. Mr. Hines reported that Ms. Heizer and her students have the greenhouse ready and are planting items now and Mr. Hines stated that he will call the newspaper to do a story about the FFA with the greenhouse and rabbits and that students have been very involved during the whole process. Mr. Hines reported that the stated testing schedule for grades 6-12 has been created and will begin testing April 4th and testing will conclude with “AP” exams on May 10th and substitutes have already been scheduled to assist with the testing. Mr. Hines reported on some upcoming events for March and April.

Mr. P.J. Fitch, K-5 Principal, reported that there are two Aides that were assigned to students who have since withdrawn from the District and now there are two first grade students with significant needs and the available Aides have been placed with them and have made major academic progress with the students and two Kindergarten students with different needs are currently in the same classroom and there is currently one substitute Aide placed with both students per request of the staff and family not to have them separated and an Aide will likely be required in the IEP for both students. Mr. Fitch reported that a fifth grade student will be transitioning from out of the unit and the student will require an Aide in order to function in the regular classroom. Mr. Fitch reported that he attended a “Blended Learning” symposium on February 25th and 26th and the focus was on increasing the use of technology into the classroom instruction and integrating I-ready lessons. Mr. Fitch stated that the Twin Towers will return the week of April 18-22, and the State Support team will be here on May 13th to begin presenting a Positive Behavior Intervention (PBIS) program to the elementary staff. Mr. Fitch reported on the playground stating that a team of staff are working on a plan to upgrade, and a plan will need to be developed to begin replacing the equipment and the parking continues to be an issue due to high volume of parent traffic on the elementary side, and the camera system is excellent and really helps with safety and student discipline. Mr. Fitch reported on the safety committee and stated that the phases have been implemented, updated or complete. Mr. Fitch reported on recent and upcoming events for March, April and May.

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Treasurer's Items

A. Approve Budget Amendments

Treasurer Rodney 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	\$ 2,800.00
200	9020	FFA	2,300.00
			Total Amendments
			\$ 5,100.00
			Amended Total Estimated Receipts
			\$ 13,269,395.28

• Supplemental

Amendments/Appropriations

<u>Fund</u>	<u>SCC</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001	0000	General Fund	\$ 20,296.36
006	0000	Lunchroom	(40,334.88)
200	9020	FFA	4,000.00
			Total
			\$ (16,038.52)
			Amended Total Appropriations
			\$ 12,208,368.00

B. Accept Donation

Mr. Schilling recommended that the Eastern Local Board of Education accept a donation of \$7,000 from the Eastern Athletic Boosters club to go towards the purchase and installation of a retractable volley net in the High School Gymnasium.

Mrs. Atkins moved to bundle and approve the Treasurer's Items and Mr. Rowe seconded the motion.

Discussion: Mrs. Atkins asked for a description of the retractable volleyball net. Mr. Leist and Mr. Hines explained and gave a description and how it worked.

Vote:

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

Mr. Bevins thanked Mr. Hines and Mr. Fitch for the good work they have done and has heard a lot of good comments.

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Superintendent's Items

A. Personnel

1. Approve Licensed Substitutes

Mr. Leist recommended that the Eastern Local Board of Education approve the following licensed substitutes for the 2015-16 school year:

Judith Bintz-Doll Julia Dunham David Foster Ryan Holdren

Megan Patterson Brandy Tackett Joseph Tackett Bonnie Crabtree

2. Approve Classified Substitutes

Mr. Leist recommended that the Eastern Local Board of Education approve the following classified substitutes for the 2015-16 school year and to be used on as needed basis. Must have a background check:

Cory Austin Kimberly Willison

3. Approve Supplemental Position

Mr. Leist recommended that the Eastern Local Board of Education approve Colby Lykins as the Advisor for Drama Club for the 2015-16 school year.

B. Non-Personnel

1. Approve Payment for Transportation

Mr. Leist recommended that the Eastern Local Board of Education contract with Thomas Tackett for the transportation of his son Blanton Tackett and to be paid in the amount of \$10.00 per diem effective February 29, 2016.

2. Approve 2016-17 School Calendar

Mr. Leist recommended that the Eastern Local Board of Education approve the school calendar for the 2016-17 school year as presented:

3. Adopt Board Policies as a First Reading

Mr. Leist recommended that the Eastern Local Board of Education adopt the Board Policies as a First Reading as presented.

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Superintendent's Items (Continued)

B. Non-Personnel (Continued)

Mr. Bapst moved to bundle and approve the Superintendents personnel and non-personnel items and Mr. Bevins seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

Vote:

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

Executive Session

Mrs. Atkins moved and Mr. Rowe seconded to enter into executive session for evaluation of personnel.

Discussion: None

Entered into executive session at 7:24 p.m. and returned at 8:14p.m.

Vote:

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

Adjournment

Mrs. Atkins moved and Mr. Rowe seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Discussion: None

Vote:

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