



MEETING MINUTES

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TENTATIVE AGENDA

NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

You are hereby notified that the Board of Education of the East Marshall Community School District will conduct a Regular School Board meeting at the District Office in Gilman, Iowa on Monday, January 15, 2024 at 6:30pm.
At the meeting, the tentative agenda will be as follows:

Attendees

Voting Members

Andrea Terrones, Board President

Elizabeth Crandon, Board Vice President

AnnDee Bloom, Board Member

Lisa Meling, Board Member

Megan Ruopp, Board Member

Non-Voting Members

Anthony Ryan, Superintendent

Allison Frost, Business Manager

1. Call Meeting to Order, Read the Mission Statement, and Approve Agenda

Chairman Terrones called the Regular Meeting to Order at 6:30 p.m. Mission statement read by Crandon. Motion to approve the agenda made by Meling and second by Crandon. All in favor.

In attendance are Andrea Terrones, Elizabeth Crandon, Ann Dee Bloom, Lisa Meling and Megan Ruopp; Superintendent Anthony Ryan, Business Manager/Board Secretary Allison Frost, and High School teacher Sean Thurm.

Motion made by: Lisa Meling

Motion seconded by: Elizabeth Crandon

Voting:

Andrea Terrones - Yes

Elizabeth Crandon - Yes

AnnDee Bloom - Yes

Lisa Meling - Yes

Megan Ruopp - Yes

2. Greet Visitors and Hear Citizen Concerns and Comments

No visitors in attendance.

3. Staff Presentation(s):

No staff presentations.

4. Approve Consent Agenda

Crandon made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda; second by Meling. All in favor.

Motion made by: Elizabeth Crandon

Motion seconded by: Lisa Meling

Voting:

Andrea Terrones - Yes

Elizabeth Crandon - Yes

AnnDee Bloom - Yes

Lisa Meling - Yes

Megan Ruopp - Yes

A. Good Things in Schools

a. Bells and Whistles

b. Other

B. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

Approval of minutes from the 12/11/2023 Annual & Regular meeting and the 12/13/2023 Special Board meeting.

C. Approval of Bills, Invoices, and Financial Statements

Approval of Bills, Invoices and Financial Statements as presented.

Approve additional fees for rescheduled makeup games

1/9/24 rescheduled to 1/22/24 - 2 officials at \$115 (previously approved for \$90)

1/12/24 rescheduled to 1/29/24 - 2 officials at \$115 (previously approved for \$90)

D. Approve donations and fundraisers .

Donations approved: \$100 from Steve Edwards and \$43 from Chelle Kriegel for the Lunch Donation account.

Fundraisers approved:

*Artsonia.com-requested by Kayla McCright. From 12/2023 through 6/2024, parents can purchase

various items which have their student's art on them. Proceeds will be used for various art supplies for the Elementary.

*American Heart Association-requested by Justin Burns. 2/12/24-2/23/24. Proceeds will be used to maintain PE equipment.

E. Approval of Sale of Auction Item of Obsolete Equipment.

Approval of the \$250 bid from Todd Hinegardner for the obsolete wrestling mat that is no longer being used.

F. Approval of Interfund Transfers.

No Interfund transfers to approve.

G. Approve Interagency Special Education Agreement(s).

No Interagency Special Education agreements to approve.

H. Approvals of Open Enrollment

a. Open Enrollment IN

The following open enrollments In to East Marshall were approved for the 2023-2024 year: Syrenity Arterburn, 9th grade, from Marshalltown; Jonathan Arterburn, 6th grade, from Marshalltown.

b. Open Enrollment OUT

No Open Enrollments Out to approve.

I. Approvals on Resignations, Retirements & Contracts

a. Resignations

b. Retirements

c. Contracts

The following contracts were approved:

Isabelle Hendricks--Elementary Associate (concurrent enrollment with Iowa Valley--Grow Your Own) \$11.25/hour

Joe Terrones--Middle School Boys Basketball \$2,290

Joe Terrones--Middle School Track \$2,290

Hannah Spangenburg--7th grade ELA \$40,285 (to be prorated)

J. Reports from Principals and Directors

a. High School, Middle School, and Elementary Principals

b. Buildings & Grounds Director

c. Technology Director Report

5. Approval of Right of Entry Agreement with the City of LeGrand (LeGrand City Water Project).

The City of LeGrand is requesting a Right of Entry Agreement for the main waterline project scheduled for Spring of 2025. The high school has its own main waterline/direct feed, so when the City shuts the water down to work on the project, we will not have to cancel school. There are two agreements (one for Franklin Street and one for Beane Street)

The City's request is to work on the district's ground to reach the waterline. The city will repair any ground that is torn up during the project. This project should not impact much of the school's property.

The district's legal counsel has reviewed the agreement, and they recommend approving and signing the agreement. This project does not impact easements, so no public hearings are required.

Motion made by Meling and second by Ruopp to approve the Right of Entry Agreement with the City of LeGrand for the LeGrand City Water project. All in favor.

Motion made by: Lisa Meling

Motion seconded by: Megan Ruopp

Voting:

Andrea Terrones - Yes

Elizabeth Crandon - Yes

AnnDee Bloom - Yes

Lisa Meling - Yes

Megan Ruopp - Yes

6. Approval of Final Payment with Estes for the High School Door Project.

Motion made by Crandon and second by Bloom to approve the final payment with Estes for the High School Door Project, in the amount of \$29,856.65. All in favor.

Motion made by: Elizabeth Crandon

Motion seconded by: AnnDee Bloom

Voting:

Andrea Terrones - Yes

Elizabeth Crandon - Yes

AnnDee Bloom - Yes

Lisa Meling - Yes

Megan Ruopp - Yes

7. Approval of a Resolution Authorizing a Public Election to Extend the PPEL Levy.

PPEL Resolution calling for an Election. Board member Crandon introduced the following Resolution and moved its adoption. Board member Ruopp seconded the motion to adopt. The roll was called and the vote was: Terrones, Aye; Crandon, Aye; Bloom, Aye; Meling, Aye; Ruopp, Aye.

Motion made by: Elizabeth Crandon

Motion seconded by: Megan Ruopp

Voting:

Andrea Terrones - Yes

Elizabeth Crandon - Yes

AnnDee Bloom - Yes

Lisa Meling - Yes
Megan Ruopp - Yes

8. Approval of SBRC Resolution on Modified Supplemental Aid/Amount Application for the Dropout Prevention Program.

Mr. Ryan addressed the board, stating this is a formal approval for the at-risk funding. The request for this cycle is \$69,992 The 25% local match is \$23,331. East Marshall CSD has applied for this funding for many years and it is an important part of our annual budget.

Motion made by Meling and second by Crandon to approve the application request to SBRC on Modified Supplemental Aid/Amount Application for the Dropout Prevention Program request for \$69,992.
Roll Call vote: Terrones, Aye; Crandon, Aye; Meling, Aye; Ruopp, Aye; Bloom, Aye.

Motion made by: Lisa Meling

Motion seconded by: Elizabeth Crandon

Voting:

Andrea Terrones - Yes

Elizabeth Crandon - Yes

AnnDee Bloom - Yes

Lisa Meling - Yes

Megan Ruopp - Yes

9. Discussion on Four Day Academic Calendar Research Committee Update.

Mr. Ryan addressed the board with the following information: The 4-Day Academic Calendar Committee has met several times to explore the consideration of a 4 Day Academic Calendar. On January 2nd, the committee shared a 20 to 30 minute presentation to the staff. It was explained that there are several unknowns in regards to the specifics and there are several stakeholders to consider when considering this option. After this, the plan is to survey the parents and answer questions. We may decide to have a couple open house forums for parents to attend and seek information. This consideration is not initiated to save money. The earliest a recommendation will come to the board would be February or March.

Mr. Sean Thurm shared some information. The general overview related to recruiting and retaining high quality educators; improving attendance of students and staff; and becoming a district of choice for families.

10. Discussion on Facilities Planning.

The January 10th meeting was postponed due to school being canceled. A new date has not been scheduled yet.

11. Discussion on Governor's State of the State Address and Public Education.

Mr. Ryan led the discussion on the recent topics that Governor Reynolds addressed at the State of the State Address. The Governor is asking legislation for an SSA increase of 2.5%. This is not enough to keep us out of the 100% Budget Guarantee. Mr. Ryan explained what kind of services the AEA has provided East Marshall and the importance of being able to keep their services active in the district. Mr. Ryan urged board members to reach out to their legislators asap.

12. Board Professional Development Dialogue/Activity.

Board President Terrones advised the board that she has selected a book for the group activity. The

book is titled "The School Board member's Guidebook". The District Office will order the books to be available by the next meeting.

13. Superintendent Report.

Superintendent Ryan discussed the following topics with the board:

*Winter break allowed for a rebound from illnesses; back to normal absence rates; Proposed changes in the Governor's plan that she shared during the State of the State Address last week regarding Bill HSB 542.; Custodians and Curt have done a great job with snow removal; Anticipating moving to a cashless approach with athletic event admissions sometime soon. Will continue to have a cash option in the short term, during the transition; Virtual learning criteria--now have the option to have 5 virtual learning days when canceling due to weather

14. Adjourn

At 8:54 p.m., Crandon made the motion to Adjourn; second by Ruopp. All in favor.

Motion made by: Elizabeth Crandon

Motion seconded by: Megan Ruopp

Voting:

Andrea Terrones - Yes

Elizabeth Crandon - Yes

AnnDee Bloom - Yes

Lisa Meling - Yes

Megan Ruopp - Yes