

EAST MARSHALL COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Regular Meeting

December 7, 2020

The Board for the East Marshall Community School District met in a Regular Session on 12/7/20 in the East Marshall Middle School Cafeteria in Gilman at 6:30 p.m. Members Present: Andrea Terrones, Elizabeth Crandon, Terri Hungerford, Ann Dee Bloom, Craig Mommer via Zoom. Absent: None. Also present: Superintendent Anthony Ryan, Business Manager/Board Secretary Riley Myers, Principals Cathy DeBondt, Janelle Pirkel, Matt Rasmusson, Randy Sharp and Sam Fierce from Estes, and Lanise Burchland.

Chairman Terrones called the regular meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. Board Secretary Riley Myers took roll call to determine a quorum for the meeting. Members Present: Andrea Terrones, Elizabeth Crandon, Terri Hungerford, Ann Dee Bloom, Craig Mommer. Members Absent: None. Terrones read the District's mission statement.

APPROVE AGENDA: Motion by Hungerford, second by Crandon to approve the agenda. Ayes: Terrones, Crandon, Hungerford, Bloom, Mommer. Nays: None. The motion carried.

GREET VISITORS AND HEAR CITIZENS CONCERNS AND COMMENTS: Lanise Burchland wanted to show appreciation to the Board and administration for all they have done during the pandemic, recognizing there have been some tough decisions to make.

CONSENT AGENDA: Mr. Ryan presented the following consent agenda items to the Board: 3A) Bells and Whistles reports; 3B) Approve the regular meeting minutes from November 18, 2020; 3C) Approve bills, invoices, and financial statements as presented; 3D) Approve the following donation to the Kids Benefit Fund for items students have need for; 3E) No volunteer coaches to approve; 3F) No interagency agreements to approve; 3G) Approve the Yearbook Contract with Josten's for each building; 3H.a.) Approve the following open enrollment in applications for 2020-2021 meeting good cause for Carter Chamra-4th and Kierra James-4th; 3I.a.) Approve the following resignation for Kelcy Peters as Middle School Associate effective 12/23/20; 3I.c.) Approve the following contracts for Christine Bond as K-8 Art Teacher and Robb Gage as Middle School Head Custodian; 3J) Reports from the principals and directors as presented in the Board Packet.

Motion by Hungerford, second by Crandon to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Terrones, Crandon, Hungerford, Bloom, Mommer. Nays: None.

DISCUSS CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS (ESTES): Mr. Fierce went over all the items that have been completed and what will be completed in the coming week. Mr. Fierce indicated that the footings for the bus barn have been laid, sheds and trees have all been removed, and the press box roof has been completed. Concrete will be poured sometime next week for the bus barn. Materials will arrive in February for the bus barn along with the new sheds for the football field. The fencing work at the softball field will take place in the spring when the ground thaws out. The roof on the 1923 edition of the high school has been completed. The gym and locker room roof appears to have gotten blown up from the storm, and insurance has been contacted about it. The roofer has patched the part that was blown up so there will be no additional damage from rain or snow.

APPROVE CHANGE ORDERS FOR CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS (ESTES): Motion by Crandon, second by Hungerford to approve change order 15 for the softball bleachers including the concrete pad and powder coding. Ayes: Terrones, Crandon, Hungerford, Bloom, Mommer. Nays: None. The motion carried

Motion by Crandon, second by Bloom, to approve the Contractor's Application for Payment of \$139,108.53 for the work that has been completed. Ayes: Terrones, Crandon, Hungerford, Bloom, Mommer. Nays: None. The motion carried.

APPROVE SBRC RESOLUTION ON MODIFIED SUPPLEMENTAL AID/AMOUNT APPLICATION FOR THE DROPOUT PREVENTION PROGRAM: Motion by Hungerford, second by Bloom to approve the SBRC resolution on Modified Supplemental Aid/Amount Application for the Dropout Prevention Program request

for \$193,550. Roll Call: Terrones-Aye, Crandon-Aye, Hungerford-Aye, Bloom-Aye, Mommer-Aye. The motion carried.

APPROVE RIVER HILLS SPECIAL EDUCATION DEFICIT AND APPLICATION TO THE SBRC:

Motion by Crandon, second by Hungerford to move that the Board of Directors of the East Marshall Community School District approve the River Hills report application associated to the School Budget Review Committee with River Hills Consortium program for the 2021-22 school year. Ayes: Terrones, Crandon, Hungerford, Bloom, Mommer. Nays: None. The motion carried.

DISCUSS BOARD WORK SESSION DATE (DEC. 9): Mr. Ryan recommended to find another date for the work session meeting so all the board members could attend. The Board decided to change the work session meeting to December 17, 2020 at 6 p.m. in the Middle School Cafeteria.

APPROVE SNOW REMOVAL BIDS FOR 2020-2021: Motion by Crandon, second by Hungerford to go with Devig Services for snow removal at \$480 for more than one inch up to three inches, \$540 for more than three inches up to six inches, \$615 for more than six inches up to twelve inches, and \$690 for more than twelve inches. Ayes: Terrones, Crandon, Hungerford, Bloom, Mommer. Nays: None. The motion carried.

DISCUSS AND APPROVE HOURLY PAY DURING VIRTUAL LEARNING: Mr. Ryan discussed with the Board how hourly staff would get paid during the virtual learning. Mr. Ryan explained that the salary staff was required to be on campus during those days including bus drivers. Most of the hourly staff were required to be on campus to continue their duties or had other duties assigned to them for work. Mr. Ryan stated that after conversation with the transportation director, there was no work for the van drivers so they did not report. Discussion among the Board was had.

Motion by Crandon, second by Hungerford to approve to have hourly van drivers pay during the virtual learning days of November 30, 2020, December 1, 2020, and December 2, 2020 be paid, but going forward hourly pay will only be paid if reported to work. Ayes: Terrones, Crandon, Hungerford, Bloom, Mommer. Nays: None. The motion carried.

DISCUSS BOARD AND ADMINISTRATOR NEWSLETTER: Mr. Ryan presented the Board and Administrator newsletter. This month's newsletter covered the following topics: Don't let split votes cause division on your board; Hold virtual stakeholder meetings to foster public trust; and Use self-evaluation to assess your performance as a board member.

REPORT FROM SUPERINTENDENT: Mr. Ryan reported that East Marshall is fully back to on campus learning and the three virtual days were very successful; District percentage of student absences was less than 1.75% for Dec. 3 and Dec. 4; Winter concerts have been rescheduled so the elementary and middle school concerts will be during the day due to the Governor's Proclamation, and the high school concert will be on Dec. 14 in the evening with the limit of 2 guests per student; More discussion will occur regarding the Flex Fund; The 1923 edition of the high school roof has been repaired; The roof over the new gym will need a new pvc liner; Snow removal bids have been sent out and due by Dec. 7 at noon; Basketball and wrestling events will be limited to 2 spectators per participants; The limitations placed upon junior high contests will be lifted on Dec. 10 unless the Governor extends the proclamation; NISL superintendents met with a wide range of legislators on Dec. 4; Mr. Ryan plans to take some vacation days during the winter holiday session; Mrs. and Mr. Ryan want to wish all the school board members, administrators, and their families a Happy Holidays.

ADJOURN: Motion by Crandon, second by Bloom to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m. Carried unanimously.

Attest: Riley Myers, Board Secretary

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Andrea Terrones, Board President