

EAST MARSHALL COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Regular Meeting

October 19, 2020

The Board for the East Marshall Community School District met in a Regular Session on 10/17/20 in the cafeteria at the East Marshall Middle School in Gilman at 6:30 p.m. Members Present: Craig Mommer, Terri Hungerford, Ann Dee Bloom, Andrea Terrones. Absent: Elizabeth Crandon. Also present: Superintendent Anthony Ryan, Business Manager/Board Secretary Riley Myers, Principals Cathy DeBondt and Janelle Pirkl, Chad Alley from Estes.

Chairman Mommer called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Board Secretary Riley Myers took roll call to determine a quorum for the meeting. Members Present: Craig Mommer, Terri Hungerford, Ann Dee Bloom, Andrea Terrones. Members Absent: Elizabeth Crandon. Principal Cathy DeBondt reads the District's mission statement.

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

Board Member Crandon arrives at 6:34 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA: Mr. Ryan presented the following consent agenda items to the Board: 3A) Bells and Whistles reports; 3B) Approve the regular meeting minutes for September 21, 2020; 3C) Approve bills, invoices, and financial statements as presented; 3D) Approve the following fundraising requests: Scholastic Book Fair for Elementary on November 2 through November 6 with profits going towards the purchase of new library books and Fruit and Popcorn sales for FFA with proceeds going towards attending events and activities; 3E) There were no volunteer coaches this month; 3F) Approve Special Education Interagency Agreements with GMG CSD; 3G) Approve the MidIowa Community Action Agreement; 3H.a.) Approve the following open enrollment in applications for 2020-21 meeting good cause: Ethan Ferneau-5th, Aashlyn Retting-8th, Dayton Slifer-4th, Shaylee Slifer-2nd; 3H.b.) Approve the following open enrollment out application for 2020-21 meeting good cause for Emerie Frost-Kdg; 3I.a.) Approve the following resignation for Shari Smith as Middle School Associate effective 10/30/20; 3I.c.) Approve the following contracts for Jarrett DeFields as 8th grade boys' basketball coach at \$2,159, Noah Bandstra as Middle School Wrestling Coach at \$2,159, and Zachary Phantz as student teacher; 3J) Reports from the principals and directors as presented in the Board Packet.

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

DISCUSS CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS (ESTES): Chad Alley informs the Board of the superintendent that will be leading the work that is done at the schools. Mr. Alley also gave updates on what work will be done in the next few days and weeks and what projects will begin. Mr. Alley gave the Board some estimated dates on when certain projects will be completed.

APPROVE CHANGE ORDERS FOR CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS (ESTES): Chad Alley explained to the Board that there are 3 different change orders. The first one is for the water removal of the gym floor at the High School. The second one is for storm damage assessments on the High School roof by Klinger Associates. The third one is to add 2 additional bays to the bus barn. Motion by Bloom, second by Crandon to approve the three change orders excluding the electrical for the bus barn bays. Ayes: Mommer, Crandon, Hungerford, Bloom, Terrones. Nays: None. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF GRADUATION LIST: Motion by Terrones, second by Hungerford to approve the early graduation list as long as all requirements are met. Ayes: Mommer, Crandon, Hungerford, Bloom, Terrones. Nays: None. The motion carried.

APPROVE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING DATE: Motion by Crandon, second by Terrones to approve a special board meeting for December 9th at 7 p.m. Ayes: Mommer, Crandon, Hungerford, Bloom, Terrones. Nays: None. The motion carried.

DISCUSS 2020-2021 CERTIFIED ENROLLMENT: Mr. Ryan presented the preliminary certified enrollment numbers. The overall decrease in enrollment is 24.27 students. Certified enrollment for 2020-21 was 576.30 which is down 27.57 students from last year. Resident students attending East Marshall was 509.30 which is down 31 students from last year. Resident students attending another district was 67 which is up 3.80 from the prior year. Students open enrolled into East Marshall was 257.10 which is up 7.10 students from the prior year. Preschool enrollment was 21 which is down 13 from prior year. Mr. Ryan explained to the Board that the District only received 0.5 weighting and funding from the State for preschool students. Total K-12 students being served in the District is 766.40 which is down 24.27 students from prior year. Mr. Ryan briefly discussed with the Board about the decrease of 24.27 students.

DISCUSS UAB BUDGETARY SHEET: Mr. Ryan discussed the UAB budgetary sheet with the Board. Mr. Ryan went through the sheet line by line, and discussed the numbers on each line. Mr. Ryan explained why this document is one of the most important documents for the budget.

DISCUSS LEGISLATIVE DINNER ON DECEMBER 2ND: Mr. Ryan reminded the Board of the Legislative Dinner on December 2nd, and that it will be located in LeGrand at the High School. Mr. Ryan informed the Board that no other school districts have been invited due to COVID.

DISCUSS WORK SESSION DATE: Mr. Ryan informed the Board that there could be special board meeting within the next week.

DISCUSS IASB ANNUAL CONFERENCE: Mr. Ryan reminded the Board of the IASB Annual Conference that takes place in November.

DISCUSS BOARD AND ADMINISTRATOR NEWSLETTER: Mr. Ryan presented the Board and Administrator newsletter. This month's newsletter covered the following topics: Advocate for the financial health of your district, School board members form a team, Understanding the double-edged sword of social media, Map centers, people of influence, and May you support the board's official stand.

REPORT FROM SUPERINTENDENT: Mr. Ryan provided an update to the Board on the following items: The new gym at the high school is back to normal; Sounds like the high school roof on the 1923 edition will be addressed and replaced by the end of the first week of November; Softball field fencing and the track will be addressed within the next couple of weeks; The softball poles didn't pass the inspection and insurance will pay for new poles but not the lighting; Bus barn project's end date has been pushed back to the spring; Music concerts are in the near future and decisions will be made sometime soon on attendance; Fall musical is scheduled to occur and discussion is being had on attendance restrictions; Masks continue to be required throughout the District.

CLOSED SESSION PRUSUANT TO IOWA CODE 21.5.1(I)-EVALUATION: Motion by Terrones, second by Hungerford to hold a closed session as provided in section 21.5(1)(i) of the open meetings law to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose performance is being considered to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation as that individual has requested a closed session. The closed session began at 8:09 p.m. The Board returned to open session at 9:31 p.m.

ADJOURN: Motion by Bloom, second by Terrones to adjourn the meeting at 9:32 p.m. Carried unanimously.

Attest: Riley Myers, Board Secretary

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Craig Mommer, Board President