



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 Wednesday, July 17, 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

Board President Terrones called the Regular meeting to Order at 6:31 p.m. Ruopp read the Mission Statement. Those in attendance are: Andrea Terrones, Ann Dee Bloom, Lisa Meling, and Megan Ruopp; Superintendent Anthony Ryan; Business Manager/Board Secretary Allison Frost; Joe Corbin and Melissa Blohm. Elizabeth Crandon arrived at 6:55 p.m.

Meling made the motion to approve the agenda; second by Bloom. All in favor.

Motion made by: Lisa Meling

Motion seconded by: AnnDee Bloom

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 citizens in attendance.

3. Staff Presentation(s): ELA - Middle School - Melissa Blohm

Melissa Blohm (AEA) and Joe Corbin (MS teacher) gave a presentation to the board on the proposed purchase of ELA curriculum for the middle school. Study Sync was the preferred curriculum--several were reviewed by the team. There are consumables (workbooks) that are new each year, along with online access, as part of the quote. The quote is for \$27,607.45. This is a one-time purchase that is good for 5 years.

4. Approve Consent Agenda

Ruopp made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda, with pulling Item J (Open Enrollments) for further discussion. Second by Meling. All in favor.

Motion made by: Megan Ruopp

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 6/12/24 Regular meeting and 6/26/24 Special meeting.

C. Approval of Bills, Invoices, and Financial Statements

Approval of Bills, Invoices and Financial Statements as presented.

D. Approve donations and fundraisers .

Fundraiser for Cross Country--5k in mid-August at Green Castle. Entry fee of \$20. Funds to be used for the Cross Country team/items needed.

Fundraiser/Donation request: Nick Goodrich requests to approach businesses and community members for donations towards rubber flooring for the MS fitness room, bumper plates and barbells.

E. Approval of Interfund Transfers.

No Interfund transfers to approve

F. Approval of 2024-2025 List of Volunteer Extra-curricular Coaches.

Approval of 2024-2025 volunteers for Extra-Curriculars:

Football: Bob Berggren, Justin Burns, Todd Hinegardner

Wrestling: Pat Kopsa, Bob Widmer, Garrett Kerber

Girls Basketball: Kyle Hoing

Baseball: Dave Chubb

G. Approval of Agreement with Morningside for Student Teachers.

This is an annual agreement with Morningside to host student teachers. Approval of agreement, as presented.

H. Approval of Renewal of Varsity Group Agreement for Activities Department.

Approval of Renewal of Varsity Group agreement for the Activities Department, as presented.

I. Approve Interagency Special Education Agreement(s).

Approval of Interagency agreements with DMACC Strive. This is an agreement for the 4 Plus year program related to special education.

J. Approvals of Open Enrollment

Item J was pulled for further discussion. Mr. Ryan explained that the legislation on Open Enrollment has changed again, implementing a deadline date again. The deadline was July 1st for this year. Some of the requests we received were past the deadline. Further clarification is needed on which school needs to approve the requests first. It was decided to approve all the requests listed, pending the language of the new legislation and which school needs to approve first. Motion by Crandon to approve the open enrollments listed, pending legislation rules; 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

a. Open Enrollment IN

Approval of the following Open Enrollments IN to East Marshall 2024-2025:

Caleah Bagnall, 2nd, from Marshalltown

Carter Chamra, 8th, from Marshalltown

b. Open Enrollment OUT

Approval of the following Open Enrollments OUT of East Marshall for 2024-2025:

Emma Sanders, 10th grade, to Iowa City (Liberty)

Weston Humpfer, EK, to Nevada

Ainsleigh Schatzman, 3rd, Resident of South Tama, now requesting GMG
Ethan Willey, 5th, Resident of Marshalltown, now requesting GMG
Savannah Willey, 3rd, Resident of Marshalltown, now requesting GMG.
All approvals and recommendations are to meet the procedural processes defined in new legislation that began on July 1, 2024.

K. Approvals on Resignations, Retirements & Contracts

a. Resignations

Approval of the following resignations:
Monica Blanchard as Elementary School Nurse, effective end of 2023-2024 contract.
Cathy Calkins as Bus Driver, effective end of 2023-2024 contract.
Doug Beadle as Middle School Custodian, effective July 3, 2024

b. Retirements

c. Contracts

Approval of the following contracts:
Ryan Boswell as High School Assistant Football Coach, pending BoEE Licensure and other official paperwork.
Brittany Wagner as Elementary Behavior Interventionist
Phil Rush as High School Math teacher, .6875 time
Sarah Smith as Elementary School Nurse, 7/8 time
Katie Coon as High School cook, 5.75 hours/day at \$13.30/hour
Kim Steward as Middle School cook, 6.5 hours/day at \$12.50/hour
Janet Hooper as Middle School cook, 5.75 hours/day at \$13.30/hour

L. Reports from Principals and Directors

a. High School, Middle School, and Elementary Principals

b. Buildings & Grounds Director

c. Technology Director Report

5. Discussion of FEH Architects and Facilities Planning Updates.

Mr. Ryan advised that the new gym floor at Laurel is complete; The pre-school playground is nearing completion; Tyler with FEH is finishing up the drawings for the HVAC for Laurel. Mr. Ryan has submitted the application with the Department of Education and is awaiting their response/approval.

6. Approval of Curriculum Purchase for Middle School.

Motion made by Ruopp to approve the purchase of Middle School ELA curriculum from Study Sync for \$27,607.45; second by Meling. All in favor.

Motion made by: Megan Ruopp

Motion seconded by: Lisa Meling

Voting:

Andrea Terrones - Yes

Elizabeth Crandon - Yes

AnnDee Bloom - Yes
Lisa Meling - Yes
Megan Ruopp - Yes

7. Approval of Reauthorizing the Annual Agreement with NWEA for MAP Assessments.

This is an annual renewal item. MAP assessments are utilized at grade 3 through 11 to collect student learning data for science. The data is used by our teachers in determining areas of focus for instruction. Motion by Meling to approve the NWEA agreement for Science; second by Ruopp. 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

8. Approval of AEA Service Agreement for IT Network Services and IT Support for the 2024-2025 School Year.

Mr. Ryan explained that this agreement is for typical services that we have requested from the AEA in the past. As previously shared, the AEA has been forced to move to a pay for service model. It is recommended to continue with these services. There are two agreements to review. One is for a 20 hour block of IT support for \$4000; the other is for IT Network services at \$12,000 for the year. Motion by Meling to approve the contracts as presented; second by Crandon. All in favor.

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 of Required Next Steps for GO Bond Consideration - Petition Process.

Mr. Ryan explained that after consulting with our architect and financial advisor, it is recommended that the petition state "not to exceed \$13.5 million".

The school board members provided a list of names to secure signatures to Mr. Ryan. He will then reach out to these individuals to start the petition process.

It is suggested to attain 120 signatures. The petition is simply an approval to have the bond listed on the ballot in November. It is not asking people to support the bond or to vote yes.

10. Discussion of Update of Elementary Gym Air Conditioning - ESSER III Application.

As explained earlier in the meeting, Mr. Ryan advised that Tyler with FEH is completing the drawings for Trane for the HVAC at Laurel. Mr. Ryan has submitted the application to the Department of Education and is awaiting a response/approval.

11. Discussion and Approval of 2024 IASB Legislative Priorities.

The board reviewed the Legislative Priorities and selected the following: 1) AEA; 5) Local Accountability & Decision Making; 7) School Funding Policy; 2) Teacher Recruitment & Licensure.

Crandon made the motion to approve the above listed topics for the Legislative Priorities; 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

12. Board Professional Development Dialogue/Activity.

The board discussed Chapter 3--How to Maximize Constituencies.

13. Superintendent Report

Mr. Ryan discussed the following topics with the board:

*Laurel gym floor is complete and the pre-school playground is almost complete.

*Ready for the next steps for public petition for the bond vote

*Girls Softball team qualified for State--Congrats to all.

*Summer cleaning is coming along nicely. They are doing a great job.

*May need to schedule Special Board meetings in the near future for next steps in prepping for bond vote.

14. Adjourn

Motion by Crandon at 8:59 p.m. 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

Andrea Terrones, Board President

Allison Frost