

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 272 ~ EDEN PRAIRIE SCHOOLS**  
**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE MARCH 22, 2021**  
**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

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A Regular Meeting of the Independent School District 272, Eden Prairie Schools, was held on March 22, 2021 in the Eden Prairie District Administrative Offices, 8100 School Road, Eden Prairie, MN 55344.

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**1. Convene: 6:00 PM (Roll Call)**

**School Board Members**

*Present:* Aaron Casper, Debjyoti "DD" Dwivedy, Beth Fletcher, Kim Ross, Adam Seidel, Veronica Stoltz, Charles "C.J." Strehl

*Present:* Superintendent Josh Swanson

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Agenda Review and Approval – MOTION** by D. Dwivedy, **Seconded** by A. Casper to approve of the agenda for the Monday, March 22, 2021 meeting of the School Board of Independent School District 272, Eden Prairie Schools – Passed Unanimously

**4. Approval of Previous Minutes – MOTION** by B. Fletcher, **Seconded** by V. Stoltz to approve the UNOFFICIAL Minutes of the School Board Regular Business Meetings for February 22, 2021 – Passed Unanimously

**5. Public Comment** – None to Report

**6. Announcements**

- EPHS Boys Basketball Coach David Flom was honored with the National Coach of the Year Award.
- Zara Vidal, a 3rd grade student at Eden Lake Elementary, was accepted into a National Elite STEM Program taking place at the University of Minnesota. [Read more.](#)
- Education Minnesota has named Lauren Scherer, a teacher at Central Middle School, as a semifinalist in the 2021 Minnesota Teacher of the Year program. Finalists will be announced in May.
- March 7-13 was National School Social Worker Week. Thank you for your continued dedication to linking students and families with needed services.
- Congrats to Jakob Zeller on placing 6th in the MSHSL State Alpine meet. He earned All-State honors for placing in the top 9 overall.
- The Girls EP Nordic team placed 6th and the Boys EP Nordic placed 4th at the Minnesota State High School League.
- The EP Dance Team placed 6th overall in the MSHSL state kick competition. Michaela Goetz, Noelle Arnold (AAA Jazz) & Emilie Wall, Alexia Natal (AAA Kick) were selected for the Minnesota Association of Dance Teams All State!
- Congratulations to Ella Bakken on being named the 2020-21 EPHS Athena Award winner. This award goes to the most outstanding senior female athlete. Ella is a 3-sport athlete who has earned 10 Varsity letters, 4X All Conf & All State honors in CC, Nordic & Track.
- Shoutout to Niamya Holloway and Molly Lenz, on making All State Honorable Mention for Class AAAA by the Minnesota Girls Basketball Coaches Association.
- The EPHS Math Team took 6th place at the [MN Math League](#).
- Over 300,000 minutes have been spent reading during this year's Read-A-Thon at Cedar Ridge Elementary. Additionally, \$28,000 has been raised to support the cause.
- Bryce Dage, Jacory Bates, and Will Sather all advance to the preliminary State Finals. Tanner Swanson, Jax Surprise, and Terrae Dunn all competing in wrestle backs. Bryce Dage won true 2nd in the 5AAA/6AAA super region. He advances to State with 7 others for chance at title at 152.
- The EP boys swim & dive team placed 3rd overall at the MSHSL state meet. They won the 200-medley relay; Alex Deng placed 2nd overall in 100 fly & 100 breast at State. Luke Logue is the state champion in the 100-yard backstroke.
- Congratulations to Sophia Hoang (Bars), Olivia Seigler (Vault), and Sophia Schwob (Floor) on advancing to the MSHSL gymnastics state meet.
- EPHS seniors Luke Mittelstadt and Carter Batchelder are top 10 candidates for the 2021 Mr. Hockey Award.
- Team Zero Gravity, made up of a group of 6th graders from Eden Prairie, won 2nd place for the "Innovation Project Award" at the First Lego League State Championship.

Team Zero Gravity was developed to introduce science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) to young students, and encourage problem-solving experiences through a guided, global robotics program.

**7. Spotlight on Success**

Central Middle School (CMS) - *Academic Seminar and Social Emotional Learning*

**8. Board Work**

A. Decision Preparation

1) Executive Summary - Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 Capital Budget

a. Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 Capital Outlay

B. Required Board Action

1) Executive Summary - Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 Budget Assumptions

a. Final Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 Budget Assumptions

**MOTION** by A. Casper, **Seconded** K. Ross to approve the 2021-22 Budget Assumptions as presented – Passed Unanimously

C. Policy Monitoring

1) Monitor Governance Process (GP) 4.5 for FY 2020-21 – **MOTION** by A. Seidel, **Seconded** by

D. Dwivedy to approve updated Grid Sheet as presented – Passed Unanimously

D. Record of Board Self-Evaluation

1) 2019-20 Record of Board Policy Monitoring - Ends & Executive Limitations (EL's) *(No Updates)*

2) Record of Board Policy Monitoring - Governance Policies *(No Updates)*

a. 2020-2021 Report

b. 2019-2020 Report

**9. Superintendent Consent Agenda – MOTION** by A. Casper, **Seconded** by D. Dwivedy to approve the Consent

Agenda as presented – Passed Unanimously

A. Pre-school Agreement

B. Release Probationary Teachers

C. Monthly Reports

1) Resolution of Acceptance of Donations

2) Human Resources Report

3) Business Services Reports

a. Board Business

b. Financial Report - Monthly Revenue/Expenditure Report

D. Seek Bid - Oak Point Secure Entrance and Office Relocation

E. Accept Bid - Lower Campus Updates

**10. Superintendent's Incidental Information Report**

A. Update on Secondary Students Returning to School

B. Miscellaneous information as it relates to Budget Funding and the Legislature

C. Calendar Development Process

**11. Board Action on Committee Reports & Minutes**

A. Board Development Committee

1) BDC Minutes - March 10, 2021: **MOTION** by A. Casper, **Seconded** by V. Stoltz to accept Minutes as presented – Passed Unanimously

B. Community Linkage Committee

1) CLC Minutes - February 17, 2021 and March 2, 2021: **MOTION** by D. Dwivedy, **Seconded** by

B. Fletcher to accept Minutes as presented – Passed Unanimously

a. CLC Work Plan

C. Negotiations Committee

D. Policy Committee

1) PC Minutes - March 3, 2021 and March 9, 2021: **MOTION** by D. Dwivedy, **Seconded** by K. Ross to accept Minutes as presented – Passed Unanimously

a. **MOTION** by C. Strehl, **Seconded** by B. Fletcher to adopt proposed language for GP 4.4.4 as presented in Committee Minutes dated March 9, 2021 – Passed Unanimously.

- GP 4.4.4 The Clerk approves the final draft of School Board meeting minutes *and workshop topic summaries* prior to School Board approval. The Clerk will read all formal resolutions to be voted on by the School Board. The Clerk will also assure the School Board’s policies are accurately recorded, maintained and posted.

**12. Other Board Updates (AMSD, ECSU, ISD 287)**

- A. AMSD (Association of Metropolitan Schools) - Veronica Stoltz, Kim Ross, Aaron Casper – Update to the Board
- B. ISD 287 (Intermediate School District 287) - Adam Seidel – Update to the Board
- C. ECSU (Metropolitan Educational Cooperative Service Unit - Veronica Stoltz – No Updates

**13. Board Work Plan**

- A. Work Plan Changes Document– **MOTION** D. Dwivedy, **Seconded** by V. Stoltz to approve changes as presented/noted – Passed Unanimously.

**Eden Prairie School Board  
2020–21 WORK PLAN CHANGES  
“Proposed” Changes for the  
March 22, 2021**

Date of Meeting/Workshop	Changes Requested
Monday, February 8, 2021 – <i>Workshop</i>	
Monday, February 22, 2021	
Monday, March 8, 2021 – <i>Workshop</i>	
Monday, March 22, 2021	
Monday, April 12, 2021 – <i>Workshop</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>Move:</u> “Choice for Each: School Wide Enrichment Model (SEM) to the 5/10/21 Workshop</li> <li>- <u>Add:</u> Inspiring News Discussion</li> <li>- <u>Add:</u> Workshop Summary Skelton Discussion</li> </ul>
Monday, April 26, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>Move:</u> FY 2022-2023 Preliminary School Calendar – First Reading (Decision Prep) to 5/24/21</li> <li>- <u>Add:</u> Approval of Workshop Skelton Summary (Required Board Action)</li> </ul>
Monday, May 10, 2021 – <i>Workshop</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>Added:</u> “Choice for Each: School Wide Enrichment Model (SEM)</li> </ul>
Saturday, May 22, 2021 – <i>Board Workshop Training</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>Added:</u> School Board Workshop/Retreat – 9AM-2PM</li> </ul>
Monday, May 24, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>Added:</u> FY 2022-2023 Preliminary School Calendar – First Reading (Decision Prep)</li> <li>- <u>Move:</u> FY 2022-2023 Preliminary School Calendar – First Reading (Required Board Action) to 6/28/21</li> </ul>
Monday, June 14, 2021 – <i>Workshop</i>	
Monday, June 28, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>Added:</u> FY 2022-2023 Preliminary School Calendar – First Reading (Required Board Action)</li> </ul>
<b>Placeholder – General Board Work</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cultural Proficiency Continuum – Moved to the Board Development for further planning on 2/22/21</li> <li>• School Board Listening Session Discussion</li> </ul>	
<b>Placeholder – Policy Review</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Policy GP 4.9.1.1 to be sent to the Policy Committee to create language requested</li> <li>• A review of all Board Policies as it relates to race inclusion for all students in all ethnic groups – Moved to Policy Committee on 2/22/21</li> </ul>	

B. School Board Annual Work Plan FY 2020-21 (Jan-Jun 2021)

14. **Adjournment – Motion** by D. Dwivedy, **Seconded** by C. Strehl to adjourn the Monday, March 22, 2021 meeting of the Eden Prairie School Board – Passed Unanimously



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Debjyoti Dwivedy – Board Clerk