

**Regular Board Meeting
Meeting Minutes
6/28/2021**

Present: Bill Correll, Alan Key, Anita Waller, Tim Payne, Cathy Wulf

Audience: Adam Roduner, Frank Cardwell, Frank Moore, Sarah Vasquez, Sharon Scellick, Travis Eloff, Lee Er Phua-Sharp, Ali Mantese, Randy Bracht, Glenda Flynn (online)

1. Call to Order

Director Correll called the meeting to order at 6:00 am.

2. Flag Salute

Director Correll asked all present to stand for the flag salute.

3. Changes or Additions to the Agenda

Item 4.a.iii.6 Danny McAtee's resignation will be added to the agenda.

4. Action Items

a. Consent Agenda

Danny McAtee's resignation was added to 4.a.iii. Policy 2125's first paragraph was revised to read "In compliance with state law, The Ephrata School District will provide instruction in comprehensive sexual health education" rather than "The Ephrata School Board of Directors has determined that all students be provided instruction in comprehensive sexual health education, consistent with state law." A motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the added resignation and a language change to Policy 2125 was made by Director Key. Director Waller seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

- i. **Meeting Minutes May 24, 2021**
- ii. **Hires**

1. Cassie Roloff, Freshman and Sophomore Class Advisor
2. Michele Ramirez, Junior Class Advisor
3. Heather Wood and Michele Derr, Key Club Co-Advisors
4. Jamie Bessette, Part-time Special Education Coordinator beginning in the 2021/22 school year
5. Amanda Owens, One Year Temporary Life Skills Para at EMS beginning in the 2021/22 school year
6. Samantha Byam, Knowledge Bowl Advisor
7. Several Summer School Teachers/Paras/Secretaries
8. Summer School Transportation: Kim Paullin, A Perez, L Gustin, D Hundtoft, J Scott, L Carlson, J Johnson, K Wells, M Chapman, C Graham
9. Summer Food Service: M Nelson, E Cruz, A Lopez, R Garay
10. EHS Summer Credit Retrieval: S Mele, S Byam
11. Special Education ESY: T Piturachsattit, C Grigg, A Harmon, L Chavez, K Nellis, T Salazar, T Torres, M Kelly
12. Tina Mullings, Dean of Students at EMS, beginning in the 2021/22 school year
13. Emma Lopez, 6.5 Hr One Year Temporary Life Skills Para at Grant, beginning in the 2021/22 school year
14. Serena Merkle, 6.5 Hr Life Skills Para at Grant, beginning in the 2021/22 school year
15. Enedina Garcia, 1.5 Hr Migrant Recruiter Para, beginning in the 2021/22 school year
16. Tessa Ratigan, 6 Hr Para at Columbia Ridge, beginning in the 2021/22 school year
17. Antonio Hernandez, 20 Hour On-Call Custodian

iii. **Superintendent Accepted Resignations/Retirements**

1. Ayla Wyman, EHS Assistant Volleyball Coach, effective 5/20/21, accepted 5/21/21
2. Beth George, Grant Para, effective 8/31/21, accepted 5/25/21
3. JoElle Malone, EHS Assistant Fastpitch Coach and EMS Head Cross Country Coach, effective 6/1/21, accepted 6/1/21
4. Ivan Garay, School District Security. EMS 8th Assistant Football Coach, EMS 8th Girls Assistant Basketball Coach and 7th Grade Assistant Boys Basketball coach, effective 6/21/21, accepted 6/7/21
5. RJ Fronsman, EHS Boys Assistant Basketball Coach, effective 6/20/21, accepted 6/21/21
6. Danny McAtee, Maintenance Carpenter, effective 8/31/21, accepted 6/28/21

iv. **Donations**

1. Tiger Boosters, \$8,000 to be used to purchase scoreboards for softball and baseball.

v. **Surplus High School Football Uniforms**

vi. **High School Golf Coach MOU**

vii. **2021/22 Voluntary Student School Insurance**

viii. **Second Reading Policy/Procedure**

2125/2125P Sexual Health Education

ix. **InterMountain Education Service District and ESD Agreement**

- x. **Ratify Central Office and Admin Contracts**
- xi. **Payroll & Accounts Payable**

b. Approve Changes to 2021/22 Adopted School Calendar

A snow make-up day, March 4, 2022, has been added to the previously adopted school calendar. This will change the date of the last day of school for the 2021/22 school year to June 15, 2022. Director Waller made a motion to approve the school calendar revision. Director Key seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

c. Approve CTE Perkins Grant and Annual Program Review

Sarah Vasquez, CTE Director, reviewed with the board the expenditures for the 2021/22 Perkins Grant to continue improving the CTE program in Ephrata. She also briefly shared some of the feedback from the CTE General Advisory Committee's annual evaluation of the program. Director Key made a motion to approve the 2021/22 Perkins Grant and accept the CTE Advisory Committee's annual evaluation. Director Waller seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

d. Approve Quote for Final IP Phone Conversion

Director Key made a motion to approve the purchase for the IP phone conversion, provided the amount does not exceed \$37,479.05 (prior to tax and S/H). Director Waller seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

e. Approve Cross Country Team Camp's Overnight Travel

High School Cross Country Head Coach, Frank Moore, is seeking approval for an overnight team camping trip in July. This would be for Ephrata Cross Country athletes only and would be chaperoned by Ephrata school employees. The purpose of the camp is to continue to build our team centered attitude and to train in a beautiful location. Director Key made a motion to approve the overnight travel request. Director Waller seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

f. Approve CSHE Scope and Sequence

Sharon Scellick, Federal Programs and Curriculum Director, is seeking adoption and approval of the curriculum for Ephrata's Comprehensive Sexual Health Education. She shared with the board the scope and sequence for the curriculum. A committee of school employees, parents and community volunteers worked to develop the curriculum that would be used throughout the district. All materials will be available for review either by accessing it from the website or

parents can check out materials at the District Office. Parents will be notified 30 days prior to the start of the instruction and will be allowed to opt their child(ren) out. Director Waller made a motion to approve the adoption of the CSHE curriculum as presented. Director Key seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

g. Approve Bus Quote

Adam Roduner, Transportation Director, is seeking approval to purchase a new bus. This bus would replace a 1993 rear engine bus that would be used as a trade in for the new bus purchase. There are funds available in the TVF for this purchase. A motion to approve the purchase of the new bus was made by Director Key. Director Waller seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

h. Approve Presence Learning

Travis Eloff, Special Education Director, is seeking approval to enter into an agreement with Presence Learning for the 2021/22 school year. Presence Learning is an online psychology service that would supplement what we have on campus for our students. Director Waller made a motion to approve the agreement with Presence Learning for the 2021/22 school year. Director Key seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

i. Approve Schematic Design for Grant School

Cameron Golightly, Design West Architects, reviewed with the board the schematic design for Grant School's project. The schematic design is an overall view of the basic layout of the building. The design and development of the project will be the next step. Director Key made a motion to approve the schematic design for Grant School's project. Director Waller seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

5. Hearing of Individuals/Groups

a. Correspondence

1. Lee Er Phua Sharp asked to speak to the Board regarding students wearing face masks in school. She showed a video of students being told they did not have to wear them any longer. She understands that the Board has a job to do, but as an adult we need to do what is best for kids. Why can the District not offer a waiver to allow parents to have their children attend school without a mask. She pointed out that there is no way to prove that anyone got COVID from school and not somewhere else.

2. Ali Mantese wanted to ask the Board a few questions:

- a. Is the Sexual Health curriculum going to be taught for 1 day or over several days? Per Sharon Scellick it will depend of the grade level as to how many days of instruction.
- b. Will Critical Race Theory be taught? Per Tim Payne this is not being implemented in our District at this time.
- c. How is that decided? Washington has not mandated CRT at this time. In Ephrata we believe everyone belongs and we strive for unity and dignity.
- d. Is Social Studies being emphasized more in the fall? Per Tim Payne this is not something he is aware of at this time.
- e. Why can we not have a waiver for mask wearing? Director Correll says we are not making a determination on offering a waiver at this point, whether we agree with masks or not. Until the State changes the requirements we must adhere to their guidance on this matter.

b. Budget Report and Audit Report

6. Adjournment

Director Correll adjourned the meeting at 7:15 am. The regular meeting in July will be on the 26th and will be at 6:00 am.

Bill Correll, Board President

Timothy A Payne, Secretary to the Board