

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
EXECUTIVE SESSION
OF THE BOARD
EASTERN GREENE SCHOOLS**

**May 9, 2022
7:30 pm**

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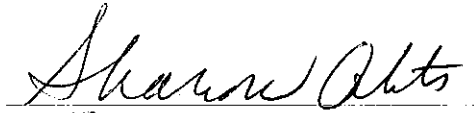
An Executive Session of the Board will be held at 7:15 pm. The regular meeting of the Board will begin at 7:30 p.m. An Executive Session will follow the regular meeting if necessary. The board meeting will be held in the Eastern Greene Schools' Multi-purpose Room

Pursuant to Indiana Code 5-14-1.5-6.1 the Board of School Trustees will meet in Executive Session on the topics below as permitted by Indiana Code 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)...

5-14-1.5.6.1(b)(6) Personnel

We hereby certify that no subject matter was discussed in Executive Session other than those specified above.

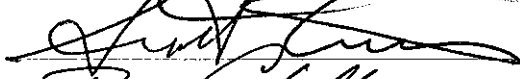
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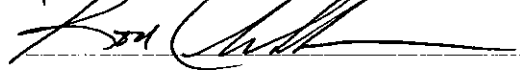
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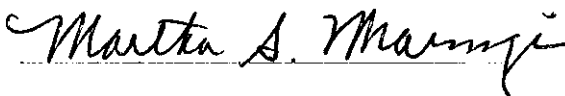
Ron Childress



Heather Hudson



Martha S. Marmouze



Matt Roberts



Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
In Eastern Greene Schools' Multi-purpose Room



PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting is called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Board President, Ron Childress.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Ron Childress, President	<u> X </u>
	Mr. Scott Carmichael, Vice President	<u> X </u>
	Mr. Mike Adams, Secretary	<u> X </u>
	Ms. Sharon Abts, Board Member	<u> X </u>
	Ms. Heather Hudson, Board Member	<u> </u>
	Ms. Martha S. Marmouze, Board Member	<u> X </u>
	Mr. Matt Roberts, Board Member	<u> X </u>

OFFICIAL GUESTS	Lewis Kappes, Attorney	<u> </u>
	Mrs. Marilyn Burch, Treasurer	<u> X </u>
	Mr. Eric Kirkendall, HS Principal	<u> X </u>
	Mr. Roy Bruce, HS Dean of Students	<u> </u>
	Mr. Patrick Ault, MS Principal	<u> X </u>
	Mrs. Sandi Yoho, MS Dean of Students	<u> </u>
	Mrs. Amanda Gibboney, Elem. Principal	<u> </u>
	Mr. Trent Provo Superintendent	<u> X </u>

NEWS MEDIA: NEWSPAPER
Daily World, None present

RECOGNITION OF STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Elementary School – Adelynn Franklin and Daniel “Bruce” Williams
Middle School – Ember Gater and Bryson Jones
High School – Aleah Freeman and Roman Valentine

B.J. YOHO COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Jakob James, Middle School
Kylar Buskirk, High School

RETIREMENT RECOGNITIONS

Teresa Butler, Gail Finn, Rena Ogle, and Carolyn Turpin

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Community Baseball and Softball Leagues

5-9-4436

PARTICIPATION AT SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

The Board recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express concerns regarding agenda items.

To permit fair and orderly public expression, the Board will provide a period for public comments at regular public meetings of the Board on meeting agenda items only.

The presiding officer of each Board meeting at which public participation is permitted shall administer the procedures of the Board for its conduct.

Comments will be limited to Board meeting agenda items with a time limit of 3-5 minutes.

The presiding officer shall be guided by the following rules:

- A. Public participation shall only be allowed during the time of public comments on the agenda.
- B. Participants must be recognized by the presiding officer and must preface their comments by an announcement of their name, address, group affiliation and which agenda item they wish to address.
- C. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no person may address or question Board members individually.
- D. The presiding officer shall:
 - a. Interrupt, warn or terminate a person's statement when the statement is a complaint against any employee, or is too lengthy, personally directed, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant.
 - b. Request any individual to leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum;
 - c. Request the assistance of law enforcement officers in the removal of a disorderly person when that persons conduct interferes with the orderly progress of the meeting;
 - d. Call for a recess or an adjournment to another time when the lack of public decorum so interferes with the orderly conduct of the meeting as to warrant such action;
Waive these rules with the approval of the Board when necessary for the protection of privacy, rights of any Board member or employee, or the administration of the Board's business.
- E. A Board meeting is a meeting in public, not a public meeting.

AGENDA AND MINUTES RECOMMENDATIONS

5-9-4437 **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

It is recommended that the agenda for the May 9, 2022 meeting be approved as presented with additions, corrections, or deletions as recommended by the Board.

Motion by _____ MM _____
Seconded by _____ SC _____
For _____ 6 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____ 0 _____

Passed – Failed

5-9-4438 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It is recommended that the minutes from the April 11, 2022 meetings be approved as presented.

Motion by _____ SA _____
Seconded by _____ MR _____
For _____ 6 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____ 0 _____

Passed – Failed

5-9-4439 **APPROVAL OF CLAIMS**

It is recommended that the claims, numbers 14639 through 14727 be approved as presented.

Motion by _____ MA _____
Seconded by _____ MR _____
For _____ 6 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____ 0 _____

Passed – Failed

CORPORATION

5-9-4440 **AssetWorks dba Go Solutions**

It is being recommended that we renew our contract with Go Solutions. This company helps us file claims for Medicaid. Our speech pathologists, occupational therapist, and physical therapist can bill Medicaid for services provided to those students who are covered by Medicaid. This company keeps a very low portion of what we collect from Medicaid. The money we collect from Medicaid goes right back into our special education program to provide services and enhance programming.

Motion by _____ SC _____
Seconded by _____ SA _____
For _____ 6 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____ 0 _____

Passed – Failed

5-9-4441 **Lee Company**

It is being recommended that we spend \$136,960 from Rainy Day to purchase and install new lockers in the 88 wing of the Middle School and the boy's and girl's locker rooms in Toby Yoho Gymnasium.

Motion by _____ SC _____
Seconded by _____ MR _____
For _____ 6 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____ 0 _____

Passed – Failed

5-9-4442 **Imagine Learning**

It is being recommended that we renew our contract with Imagine Learning at a cost of \$21,230. This is the program formerly called "Edgenuity" that the high school uses for credit recovery, summer school, and any virtual students

Motion by _____ SC _____
Seconded by _____ SA _____
For _____ 6 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____ 0 _____

Passed – Failed

RESIGNATIONS

5-9-4443 **High School**

Motion to approve the resignation of Joseph Rodriguez as Band Teacher and Director effective the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion by _____ SC _____
Seconded by _____ MM _____
For _____ 6 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____ 0 _____

Passed – Failed

TRANSFER

5-9-4444 **High School**

Motion to approve Mary Ragan’s transition from full-time teaching to part-time teaching (75 school days) effective with the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion by _____ MA _____
Seconded by _____ SA _____
For _____ 6 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____ 0 _____

Passed – Failed

EMPLOYMENT

5-9-4445 **High School Assistant Principal**

Motion to hire Michael Conley as High School Assistant Principal effective with the 2022-2023 school year. Mr. Conley comes to us from Rossville, Indiana where he was both Dean of Students and taught vocal music at Rossville Jr./Sr. High School. Mr. Conley is a licensed administrator in the state of Indiana.

Motion by _____ MR _____
Seconded by _____ SA _____
For _____ 6 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____ 0 _____

Passed – Failed

5-9-4446 **Middle School Physical Education TA**

Motion to hire Meredith Jackson as a Physical Education teaching assistant effective with the 2022-2023 school year. Mrs. Jackson has subbed in this position 2-3 days a week for a good portion of this school year. She is doing a great job.

Motion by _____ SA _____
Seconded by _____ MR _____
For _____ 6 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____ 0 _____

Passed – Failed

5-9-4447 **HS Girls’ Basketball**

Motion to hire the following coaches:

Jeremy Clark Girls’ JV Coach
Ashley Fish Girls’ Varsity Assistant Coach
Sara Pigg Girls’ Volunteer Assistant Coach

Motion by _____ MA _____
Seconded by _____ SC _____
For _____ 6 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____ 0 _____

Passed -- Failed

5-9-4448 **HS Boys’ and Girls’ Cross Country**

Motion to hire Bill Valentine for the Boys’ and Girls’ Cross Country Head Coaching positions.

Motion by _____ MM _____
Seconded by _____ MR _____
For _____ 6 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____ 0 _____

Passed – Failed

MATERNITY LEAVE

5-9-4449 **Elementary**

Motion to approve maternity leave request for Danielle Martin beginning approximately August 22 – October 21, 2022.

Motion by _____ SC _____
Seconded by _____ MA _____
For _____ 6 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____ 0 _____

Passed – Failed

FIELDTRIP

5-9-4450 : **Kings Island**

Motion to approve the Choir/Orchestra/Band fieldtrip to Kings Island on Saturday, May 14, 2022. Departure time is 6:30 a.m. with arrival time planned for 1:30 a.m. Sunday morning.

Motion by _____ MM _____
Seconded by _____ SC _____
For _____ 6 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____ 0 _____

Passed – Failed

5-9-4451 : **LATE ITEMS**

EMPLOYMENT

5-9-4451-1 : **Band Director**

Recommendation to allow the Superintendent to employ a band teacher prior to the June Board meeting in order to start summer band. This would be contingent on the background check being done first.

Motion by _____ SC _____
Seconded by _____ SA _____
For _____ 6 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____ 0 _____

Passed – Failed

RESIGNATION

5-9-4451-2 : **High School E-Sports**

Recommendation to approve the resignation of Josh Wilder as High School E-Sports sponsor.

Motion by _____ MR _____
Seconded by _____ SC _____
For _____ 6 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____ 0 _____

Passed – Failed

RETIREMENT

5-9-4451-3 **Middle School Social Studies**

Recommendation to approve the retirement of Carolyn Turpin as a 6th grade social studies teacher effective May 20, 2022.

Motion by _____ MR _____
Seconded by _____ SC _____
For _____ 6 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____ 0 _____

Passed – Failed

DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY

5-9-4451-4 **Custodial Equipment Disposal**

Recommendation to approve the disposal of the following pieces of custodial equipment:

MS, Viper Wet/Dry Vac, Model # SN18WD, Serial # SN18WD-00903

MS, Clark Wet/Dry Vac, Model # STV15, Serial # 8771

EL, Speed Scrub 2601, Model # 613385, 613385-10163534

Motion by _____ MR _____
Seconded by _____ MA _____
For _____ 6 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____ 0 _____

Passed – Failed

5-9-4452 **DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS**

Lisa Childress – It is still a busy place here at the end of the year. Our 3rd and 4th graders finished their ILEARN testing and we are very proud of them and their efforts. We had Kindergarten Roundup on April 29 and met an awesome group of new little thunderbirds. We cannot wait until we have them in the building in August. We had 63 register and that number is right on target for enrollment. We will get 10 to 15 more before the start of school, and that will make a perfect size class. Field day for our students will be this Friday. Kindergarten Graduation will be May 18. Last week was teacher appreciation week, and we would like to thank Mrs. Abts and the PTO, Mrs. Buskirk and our Student Council, and Matt Roberts for providing encouraging words, food, and treats for our staff throughout the week. We would also like to thank Marci Parsley who always goes above and beyond. She organized the students to make the appreciation wall right outside the Multi-Purpose room. Students wrote thank you notes on hearts for our staff, and then the Student

Council displayed them for us. So, if you haven't seen this yet, please stop by and take a look. It will make your night. Marci also coordinated our cafeteria appreciation banner here for our cafeteria staff, because last Friday was School Hero Lunch Day. Our cafeteria staff is second to none as you all know. We are all very thankful for their efforts in providing excellent meals for our students and staff. This Wednesday is School Nurse Appreciation Day, and we are very fortunate to have Kaitlyn Ayt and Tina Smith who are fantastic at taking care of our students and staff. It's been a hard year and they have never missed a beat, so we thank these ladies for everything they do each and every day. Last but certainly not least, I want to thank Dawn Sullivan who is serving as our interim principal. She has done an outstanding job of fulfilling this role while still doing her duties as our student service coordinator. Her dedication and willingness to serve is a great example for our students and staff. I would like to wish everybody a fun summer. Thank you.

Patrick Ault – Teacher appreciation week was last week. I want to thank all of our teachers and teaching assistants for their going above and beyond this year. It was a very challenging year, and they did a great job, they rocked it out. A huge thank you to Whitney Russell and Allison Clarey. They started out with student council this year and they ran with it. We had something major every day for 5 days. That was really cool. We also had some other things on top of that. It was a special week. I do not ever remember a week that was that loaded. So once again, Allison Clarey, Whitney Russell, and those students did a fantastic job. Lots of field trips coming up. It is needed now more than ever, because we haven't been able to take academic field trips in a long time. I appreciate all the grade level teams that have taken the time to put those field trips together. Thank you to our Spring track coaches Allison Clarey and Curtis Moffitt and the students for representing the good sportsmanship that I know they do. I appreciate how hard the students try and compete. Not the most athletic group I have seen in track & field, but they are gritting it out ever step of the way and I really appreciate that. The all-school cookout and barbeque will take place Wednesday, May 18. Thank you, Rob Drummond along with Erika Drummond and all the students who had a hand in the Sister Act Musical. I have never seen one this powerful and this much fun. I belly laughed and even cried. Rob and Erika just did a fantastic job, and the students had a ball. Sister Act, the Drummonds, and the students are just phenomenal. Thank you to Tessa Wolfger. It is important to say this right now, 9 years of being a Middle School Counselor. She is so giving of herself. She goes above and beyond the roll and wears so many different hats. We all appreciate her so much in everything she has done for us. We will sure miss Tessa Wolfger. Cathy Aldridge is here from a grant that Trent submitted to the SIEC, CTE, Basic Career Pathways helping these 7th, 8th, and even 6th graders figure out what they want to do in middle to upper high school, and even after high school. Just last week we had two 3-D printers delivered so that she can work on a maker space area. Today she was so tickled because one was printing little airplane key chains in yellow, and the other was printing in blue. It is really neat that we are going to have this maker space stem area. Kathy Aldridge is doing a fantastic job and she has partnered up with Sean Vandeventer. They have good things going with their career pathways. I am really proud of both of them. On a personal note, my daughter was involved in a car accident on prom night. She is fine. I just want to compliment Erik Kirkendall, Aaron Buskirk, and Richard Klune for just impeccable communication along the way. I haven't experienced anything like this before and the communication was just on par. I didn't feel like I was in the dark. The kids did, however, have a ball at prom. Thank you.

Erik Kirkendall – We are all so very happy that she and her boyfriend are both safe. I am going to try to not duplicate all the thank-yous that have already been said. May is flying by. Of course, thank you to our nurse Tina and also Rob and Erika for the musical. We do appreciate everything they have done. I would like to invite everyone to graduation on May 21st at 11:00 a.m. in the high school gym. We are really looking forward to it. I would like to give Leah Leibacher a heartfelt congratulation, she won the Armstrong Teacher Educator Award. It is no surprise to me, because I am the one who nominated her along with Trent. She does a fantastic job and has a unique way of connecting with the students. I just want to say congratulations to her. EGHS was one of 6 schools represented in the Crane STEM Science Fair. In total there were 130 projects, 210 students, and Eastern Greene's freshman Abigale Burkhart placed second in the overall senior division with a project on speed and light. I just wanted to congratulate her on this accomplishment. I wanted to thank all the teachers. I really try to appreciate them every day during the school year, because they are absolutely amazing. We have amazing teachers here at Eastern Greene. I would like to thank JAG for the carnation and candy. I would also like to thank Freddy's Frozen Custard for donating frozen custard. Kylar and Aaron Buskirk for all their work. Kylar donated brownies, and Mr. Buskirk manned the grill one day. I would also like to acknowledge Maddie Simmons for baking cookies and bringing them. Also, Marta Heshelman, she also donated food as well. I appreciate everyone that was involved with teacher appreciation week. I do want to say farewell to Mr. Rodriguez. We gave him a challenge with small band member numbers. On band day, I was so proud to watch our little band of less than 10 members march out there and do better than some of the larger bands. I do appreciate everything that he has done. Happy retirement to Teresa Butler, Gail Finn, and Rena Ogle. We are going to very much miss them all. Earlier this May we had our senior recognition awards night, and I want to thank Maryanne Inman and Kayla Willey for all their hard work putting this program together. I also want to acknowledge Emily Black and Allison VanKooten for all their hard work on prom. It was beautiful, the kids had fun, and we are hoping for many more proms to come. Also, Ms. Rosenplat for all her work on graduation. She has been running 100 miles per hour and I really do appreciate it. Last but not least, I even had to go to her and apologize, because I have never acknowledged her hard work and dedication. She impacts this entire corporation, and that is Amy Rogers. She is behind the scenes so much, but she is the one that makes all of the extra-curricular stuff work. She has multiple hats. Whether it is doing her treasurer duties making sure the bills get paid, or organizing fund raisers. Whatever the case may be, she is an amazing person, a fantastic ECA Treasurer, and I just wanted to show my appreciation to her as well. Have a wonderful summer, and we will see you next August.

Trent Provo – I just have a few very quick items. I just want to say best of luck to our high school students as they have finals coming up. I know this can be a very tense time for some students. Spring sports are coming to an end here in the next couple of weeks, and I just want to wish them best of luck with the upcoming sectionals. Thanks to all the high school staff that make graduation possible. It will be the first regular graduation that I will get to be a part of. Thanks to all of our staff, not just teachers, ever single staff member for everything they have done this school year. It has been a very successful school year. It has obviously had its moments, tough situations, but we made it through, and it would not have been possible without all of our staff working together to help each other out. Thank you everybody for that.

Martha Marmouze – Everyone have a safe summer.

