

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

February 13, 2023

7:00pm

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An Executive Session of the Board will be held at 6:15pm. The regular meeting of the Board will begin at 7:00 p.m. An Executive Session will follow the regular meeting if necessary. The board meeting will be held in the Central Office Board Room of Eastern Greene Schools.

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)

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

Sharon Abts _____

Mike Adams _____

Scott Carmichael _____

Dennis Crowe _____

Natalie Crowe _____

Heather Hudson _____

Kimberly Waldrige _____

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

In Eastern Greene Schools' Central Office Board Room

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting is called to order at 7:00p.m. by Board President, Scott Carmichael

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Scott Carmichael, President	<u> X </u>
	Ms. Sharon Abts, Vice President	<u> X </u>
	Mr. Dennis Crowe, Secretary	<u> X </u>
	Mr. Mike Adams, Board Member	<u> X </u>
	Ms. Natalie Crowe, Board Member	<u> X </u>
	Ms. Heather Hudson, Board Member	<u> X </u>
	Ms. Kimberly Waldrige, Board Member	<u> X </u>

OFFICIAL GUESTS	Mr. Trent Provo, Superintendent	<u> X </u>
	Mrs. Moriah Crane, Treasurer	<u> X </u>
	Mrs. Treva Lukens, Deputy Treasurer	<u> </u>
	Mr. Eric Kirkendall	<u> X </u>
	Mr. Michael Conley, HS Asst. Principal	<u> </u>
	Mr. Patrick Ault, MS Principal	<u> </u>
	Mrs. Sandi Yoho, MS Dean of Students	<u> </u>
	Mr. Dustin George, Elementary Principal	<u> X </u>
	Dr. Gretchen Morgan, ELM Asst. Principal	<u> </u>

RECOGNITION OF STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Elementary School – Lily Blasdel and Jackson Burleson

Middle School – 7th Grade Boys Basketball Team, Jett Blais, Zayvier Wise, Noah Pope, Eli Austin, Bradley Enlow, Kyan Hudson, Ben Graves, Carter Bailey, Dylan Kirkwood, Evan Pate, Andrew Zink and Caleb Rippy.

High School – Kayleigh Hammer and Michael Robertson

SPECIAL PRESENTATION - SAT SCORES

Eric Kirkendall, Tracy Tarr, and Jennifer Shively

02-13-4638 **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 Minutes 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 Minutes 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 person's 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;
 - e. 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

02-13-4639 **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

It is recommended that the agenda for the February 13, 2023 meeting be approved as presented with additions, corrections, or deletions as recommended by the Board.

Motion by _____ SA _____
Seconded by _____ NC _____
For _____ 7 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____

Passed – Failed

02-13-4640 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It is recommended that the minutes from the January 9, 2023 meetings be approved as presented.

Motion by _____ NC _____
Seconded by _____ DC _____
For _____ 7 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____

Passed – Failed

02-13-4641 **APPROVAL OF CLAIMS**

It is recommended that the claims, numbers 15797 through 15962 be approved as presented.

Motion by _____ HH _____
Seconded by _____ MA _____
For _____ 7 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____

Passed – Failed

CORPORATION

02-13-4642 **Bus Purchase**

Motion to approve the purchase of four 2024 buses on a “lease to own” program. It would be a five year lease with yearly payments of \$30,606 per bus. That would make the total yearly payment \$122,424 with a total purchase price of \$612,120 over the course of the lease. The regular price for new buses is starting out at \$140,000 each. We will be getting chains and a 10 year warranty and take possession of the buses in August. Dennis Carter has worked hard to make some good connections with bus salesmen and was able to secure this deal.

Motion by _____ MA _____
Seconded by _____ DC _____
For _____ 7 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____

Passed – Failed

02-13-4643 **Creation of Position**

Motion to create and post a full time art position in the middle school for the 2023-2024 school year. This position is needed as a couple of shared teachers are moving to full time at the high school to create graduation pathways in their content area.

Motion by _____ KW _____
Seconded by _____ NC _____
For _____ 7 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____

Passed – Failed

02-13-4644 **Disposal of Equipment**

Motion to approve the disposal of an oven in Faith Ransford’s elementary class room and the surplus items at the high school as listed.

Motion by _____ HH _____
Seconded by _____ NC _____
For _____ 7 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____

Passed – Failed

RESIGNATIONS

02-13-4645 **ELC Instruction Assistant**

Motion to approve the resignation of Ashley Baugh as an Early Learning Center Instructional Assistant.

Motion by _____ NC _____
Seconded by _____ SA _____
For _____ 7 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____

Passed – Failed

02-13-4646 **Elementary Instructional Assistant**

Motion to approve the resignation of Hilary Steimel as a Title 1 Instructional Assistant in the elementary.

Motion by _____ KW _____
Seconded by _____ HH _____
For _____ 7 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____

Passed – Failed

EMPLOYMENT

02-13-4647 **High School Football**

Recommendation to approve the renewal of Travis Wray as the Varsity Football Head Coach for the 2023 season.

Motion by _____ MA _____
Seconded by _____ HH _____
For _____ 7 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____

Passed – Failed

02-13-4648 **High School Track and Field**

Recommendation to approve the following assistant coaches for the Spring 2023 season.

Adam Anderson	Assistant Coach (Pole Vault)
Jason Childress	Assistant Coach (Throwing)
Alex Brough	Assistant Coach (High Jump)
Shelley Tarr	Volunteer (Long Jump)

Motion by	_____ SA _____		
Seconded by	_____ DC _____		
For _____ 7 _____	Against _____ 0 _____	Abstain _____	

Passed – Failed

02-13-4649 **Middle School Track and Field**

Recommendation to approve Kurtis Moffit as a Middle School Track & Field Coach for Spring 2023. Jake Cole and Kurtis Moffit will be co-coaching boys and girls middle school track.

Motion by	_____ DC _____		
Seconded by	_____ NC _____		
For _____ 7 _____	Against _____ 0 _____	Abstain _____	

Passed – Failed

HIGH SCHOOL

DONATIONS

02-13-4650 **High School**

Motion to approve the following donation:

\$915.22 – Eastern Greene High School Class of 2022 to the Eastern Greene High School ECA Graduation Fund.

Motion by	_____ HH _____		
Seconded by	_____ MA _____		
For _____ 7 _____	Against _____ 0 _____	Abstain _____	

Passed – Failed

02-13-4651 **LATE ITEMS**

None

02-13-4652 **DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS**

Dustin George - I want to first thank the ladies of Solsberry Christian Church and our Team Rally (Culture/Climate) for the awesome lunch and snacks all day today for Love Like Hacker Day. The ladies of Solsberry Christian Church brought in taco soup for lunch for both elementary and middle school staff. It is very much appreciated.

Our 2nd grade Pajama Party concert was last Thursday. I want to thank Mrs. Erika Drummond and the second grade teachers for their hard work on the concert. It is so nice for families to be able to come in and see some of the things our students are doing in person. I really enjoyed that show.

Thank you to David and the maintenance staff for installing the new slide on the playground during some of the nicer weather last week. As some know, a second slide has broken. Mandy Buskirk has taken the lead with student council in a fundraiser and grant writing to work towards improving our playground, and I'm told that I will be kissing some sort of farm animal soon for their efforts.

Our Book Fair and Read Across America is coming up at the end of this month. We ask parents and families to be on the lookout in the newsletter for the dress up days as we plan to have a spirit week during that time. It is scheduled for the last week of February/first week of March.

IRead is coming up for 3rd graders on March 7th and 8th. We have elected to also test our 2nd graders. If they pass it as a 2nd grader then they don't have to do it again. We thought it would be a good data point for us to see where they are in their reading abilities.

Lastly congratulations again to our Students of the Month, Lily and Jackson.

Eric Kirkendall - I would also like to thank the ladies of Solsberry Christian Church. They will be coming in later this week to serve us taco soup. They did something similar last year and I know it was very much appreciated.

Since our last board meeting, we had our Scheduling Night. It was a fantastic event hosted at the high school. We housed all of our teachers and invited incoming freshmen to come and talk directly to teachers about their classes. We took this opportunity to also have current high school students come and pick up their scheduling sheets and discuss choices as well.

Best of luck to the Boys Basketball team as they round up the end of their season over the next couple weeks and enter into tournament play. Thank you to Mr Buskirk and his entire family for all their hard work and effort. What people don't see is the dedication after the games. He and his family are often the last ones to leave. He takes a lot of pride in hosting events like the Girls Basketball Sectional and I want him to know that we all appreciate the sacrifices his family makes for our school community.

I would invite all of you to come to the high school and check out our new trophy case. A thank you to Mr. Sean Vandeventer 's construction class for the beautiful trophy case they built. His Advanced Construction Class did a marvelous job. This is a perfect example of the application-based skills our teachers are teaching.

We will be conducting our SAT testing on March 2nd with all Juniors. We intend to have all the Juniors test in the gym on Chromebooks. Best of luck to them as they prepare for these exams.

Finally, our JAG program (Jobs for America's Graduates) had a Career Development Competition on February 2nd and performed incredibly well. Mr. Provo and I were able to attend this event. I am incredibly proud of how they represented Eastern Greene. Out of all the teams in our region we placed first. We had nine awards that were presented to our students.

Trent Provo - I want to remind everyone that the next board meeting is off because of Spring Break. So, it is actually March 20th. That is the 3rd Monday, not the second.

I also want to say good luck to boys basketball and other winter activities as they are wrapping up. Best of luck to our spring sports that are getting started.

Mike Adams - Has anybody looked at getting more students because of the new shipping company that is coming in near Crane.

Trent Provo - Housing will be the issue.

Scott Carmichael - Getting water in to supply a new housing addition will be the major issue.

Kim Waldridge - Yes, we are sitting in a good area for growth. I want to thank the high school for their schedule sign up night. It was good to see the process and everyone there. I also want to thank our Toby Thunderbird mascot. All the fundraising and work that young man is doing is just amazing.

Heather Hudson - Toby Thunderbird has been to bring some of the old mascot items back and making a display of that. His dedication is very impressive.

Sharon Abts - I also want to say how impressed I was with the high school scheduling night open house. I was able to go as a grandparent and it was great to see the ease in which my granddaughter could talk to the teacher and sign up. She was able to go table to table and be sure of what she wanted when she left the gym. It was wonderful.

Dennis Crowe - I want to thank the teachers. We are impressed with what our teachers are doing to help our students.

02-13-4653 **ADJOURNMENT**

It is recommended that the meeting be adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Motion by _____ NC _____
Seconded by _____ HH _____
For _____ 7 _____ Against _____ 0 _____ Abstain _____

Passed – Failed