

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 272 ~ EDEN PRAIRIE SCHOOLS
OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 27, 2023
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

A Regular Meeting of the Independent School District 272, Eden Prairie Schools, was held on November 27, 2023, in the Eden Prairie District Administrative Offices, 8100 School Road, Eden Prairie, MN 55344.

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

Present: Steven Bartz, Abby Libsack, Charles "CJ" Strehl, Dennis Stubbs and Board Chair, Aaron Casper, joined meeting remotely

Not Present: Debjyoti "DD"Dwivedy and Kim Ross

Present: Superintendent Josh Swanson

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Agenda Review and Approval – Motion** by C. Strehl, **Seconded** by A. Lisack to approve of the agenda for the Monday, November 27, 2023 School Board of Independent School District 272, Eden Prairie Schools – Passed 5-0

4. **Approval of Previous Minutes – Motion** by D. Stubbs, **Seconded** by A. Libsack to approve the UNOFFICIAL Minutes of the School Board Regular Business Meeting on October 23, 2023, and Workshop Notes on November 13, 2023 – Passed 5-0

5. **Spotlight on Success**

A. Oak Point Elementary - *Social Emotional Wellbeing Through Mindfulness and Connection*

6. **Public Comment – n/a**

7. **Announcements**

- **Congratulations to Oak Point Elementary:** Earlier this month, I had the pleasure of traveling with Dr. Chris Rogers to the National Blue Ribbon School Recognition Ceremony in Washington, D.C. to accept Oak Point Elementary's Blue Ribbon award. We are so proud of our excellent staff at Oak Point and grateful to the U.S. Department of Education for this honor.
- **Congratulations:** EPHS football played a remarkable season! Through a combination of outstanding teamwork, stellar coaching, and serious determination, our Eagles commanded field after field, undefeated, all the way into their 19th state semifinal in the last 21 years! Congratulations to our excellent team.
- **Congratulations:** The EPHS drama department defied gravity (and I mean that literally!) with its production of The Wizard of Oz this month. In addition to the well-loved yellow brick road and ruby slippers, this production also featured students flying, with the help of a professional company for installation and training. This was the first production at EPHS to incorporate flying!
- It's been an exciting month for students in the Introduction to Aircraft and Spacecraft course at Eden Prairie High School. Thanks to our community partners, students have been engaged in immersive experiences like exploring Delta Airlines headquarters and learning about aviation history through a [visit to Wings of the North Aviation Museum](#) this month!
- Dr. Heather Mac Murray, our district's Director of Learning Analytics, Data, and Reporting, shared her own insights about AI's impact on education — as well as our district's commitment to engage the community as we plan for the future of AI in our schools — [in an Artificial Intelligence Town Hall](#) hosted by Eden Prairie Local News and the Eden Prairie Chamber of Commerce late last month.
- Earlier this month, we welcomed more than 100 families to our brand-new Kindergarten Adventure Days! Four-year-olds and their families enjoyed a school lunch, played on the playground and listened to a story in a real kindergarten classroom. I've already heard of the events leading to playdates with new friends, and feedback from our incoming kindergarten families has been overwhelmingly positive. We can't wait to welcome these new families next year!
- **Congratulations:** Eden Prairie High School 12th grader Navya Nambiar who took sixth place at this year's [Minnesota Sings vocal competition](#), singing "I'd Rather Be Me" from the Broadway musical "Mean Girls." Way to go, Navya!
- **Congratulations:** Eden Prairie High School 12th graders Brooke Nicklaus, Caroline Larsen, Zach Peta, and Nick Thompson who joined students across the nation in [signing their National Letter of Intent to play a sport at the college of their choice](#). We're so proud of these Eagles!

- **Recognition:** During the month of November, we expressed our sincere appreciation for Eden Prairie Schools staff who care for our students and support our community. Thank you to each of our school psychologists, guest staff, and community education staff for your hard work and dedication to inspiring each student every day!
- Our community helped us raise an incredible \$15,964 on Give to the Max Day, November 16. These funds will support student programs and opportunities. We're so grateful to everyone who donated and shared, and to our partners at Royal Credit Union for their matching funds. The incredible things that happen in our schools would not be possible without our supportive community!

8. Board Education & Required Reporting

9. Board Work

A. Decision Preparation

- 1) School Board Mid-Year Treasurer's Report

B. Required Board Action

C. Policy Monitoring

- 1) Executive Limitations - EL 2.9 Communication and Support to the School Board - *The Superintendent shall not cause or allow the School Board to be uninformed or unsupported in its work.*

OI Motion by S. Bartz, **Seconded** by A. Casper, the OI's for EL 2.9 and all child policies, EL 2.9.1 through EL 2.9.11 are reasonable— Passed 5-0

Evidence Motion by A. Libsack, **Seconded** by C. Strehl, the data does provide adequate evidence of compliance for EL 2.9, including EL 2.9.1 through EL 2.9.11 – Passed 5-0

D. Record of Board Self-Evaluation

- 1) 2022-23 Record of Board Policy Monitoring - Governance Process (GP's)
- 2) 2022-23 Record of Board Policy Monitoring - Executive Limitations (EL's)
- 3) 2022-23 Record of Board Policy Monitoring - Ends (1.1 - 1.6)

Motion by S. Bartz, **Seconded** by C. Strehl that the Board of Record of Self-Evaluation, Records of Policy Monitoring for Governance Process, Executive Limitations and Ends are in compliance – Passed 5-0

10. Superintendent Consent Agenda – Motion by C. Strehl, **Seconded** by D. Stubbs to approve the Consent Agenda – Passed 5-0

A. Resolution for Counting Write-in Votes

- 1) Executive Summary
- 2) Resolution for Counting Write-in Votes

B. 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

11. Superintendent's Incidental Information Report

12. Board Action on Committee Reports & Minutes

A. Board Development Committee – Motion by A. Libsack, **Seconded** by S. Bartz to approve the BDC notes as presented – Passed 5-0

- 1) Summary Update
- 2) Protecting Human-to-Human Interaction Policy
- 3) Expert Speaker Information – **Motion** by C. Strehl, **Seconded** by D. Stubbs to approve funding for speaker and scheduling for January 8, 2024 Workshop – Passed 5-0
- 4) Consolidated Resources - Board Review

B. Community Linkage Committee

- 1) November 9, 2023 Minutes – **Motion** by S. Bartz, **Seconded** by D. Stubbs to approve minutes as presented – Passed 5-0
- 2) Article for Inspiring News - *DRAFT*

Motion by A. Casper, **Seconded** by D. Stubbs to approve language as presented with the exception of the edits in the last couple of sentences in the last paragraph – Passed 5-0

a. 4C's Diagram

C. Negotiations Committee

D. Policy Committee

13. **Other Board Updates (AMSD, BRIGHTWORKS, ISD 287, MSHSL)**

A. AMSD (Association of Metropolitan School) - *Abby Libsack/CJ Strehl*

B. BrightWorks - *Dennis Stubbs (n/a)*

C. ISD 287 (Intermediate School District 287) - *Kim Ross (n/a)*

D. MSHSL (Minnesota State High School League) - *Dennis Stubbs*

14. **Board Work Plan**

A. Work Plan Changes Document **Motion** by A. Casper, **Seconded** by S. Bartz to approve the Work Plan Changes – Passed 5-0

Eden Prairie School Board
2023–24 WORK PLAN CHANGES
“Proposed” Changes – November 27, 2023

Date of Meeting/Workshop	Changes Requested
Monday, December 11, 2023	- Add: <i>Fiscal Year 2022-23 Audited Financial Presentation Information</i>
Monday, January 8, 2024 – Annual Organizational Mtg and Workshop	- Add to Workshop: <i>Board Development Committee Speaker</i>
Monday, January 22, 2024	- Add: <i>Ends 1.2</i>
Monday, February 12, 2024 – Workshop	
Monday, February 26, 2024	- Add: <i>Ends 1.3</i>
Monday, March 11, 2024 – Workshop	
Monday, March 25, 2024	- Add: <i>Ends 1.5</i>
Monday, April 8, 2024 - Workshop	
Monday, April 22, 2024	
Monday, May 13, 2024	
Tuesday , May 28, 2024	
Monday, June 10, 2024 – Workshop	
Monday, June 24, 2024	
Placeholder – General Board Work	
<i>Reporting back to Board: Ends 1.2, 1.3 and 1.5 – Scheduled as referenced above</i>	
Placeholder – Policy Review	

B. 2023-24 Board Annual Work Plan

15. **Adjournment – Motion** by D. Stubbs, **Seconded** by A. Libsack to adjourn the meeting of November 27, 2023 at 7:37 PM – Passed 5-0



Abby Libsack – Board Clerk