

Regular Board Meeting
Meeting Minutes
6/24/2024

Present: Director Waller, Director Sainsbury, Director Fleurkens, Director Truscott, Tim Payne

1. Call to Order

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

2. Flag Salute

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

3. Public Comments

There was no one signed in to speak to the Board.

4. Changes or Additions to the Agenda

Item 5.a.iv - Instead of the EHS football team attending the EWU Football camp they will be attending the University of Idaho instead. EWU has canceled the camp and the football team could be registered for this camp in its place. Item 5.b, Approve Purchase of wrestling mats; the recommended vendor has been changed. Director Truscott made a motion to approve the change to posted agenda. Director Sainsbury seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

5. Action Items

a. Consent Agenda

Director Truscott made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Director Fleurkens seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

i. Approve Minutes from the May 20, 2024 Meeting

ii. Hires

1. Marilyn Limb, 1.0 fte High School Special Education Teacher
2. Allison Heer, 1.0 fte School Nurse
3. Jadyn Leseman, 6.5 Hr Special Education Para at Columbia Ridge

4. Erminia Suarez, 6.5 Hr Bilingual Para at Ephrata Middle School
5. Maria Aparicio Delgado, 6.5 Hr Lifeskills Para at Ephrata Middle School
6. Katelin Heston, 6.5 Hr Sign Language Interpreter
7. Taya Rogers, 1.0 fte SLP
8. Emily Allsopp, 6.5 Hr Learning Center Para at Ephrata High School
9. Courtney Butler, 7.5 Hr Lead Para at ECEAP
10. Karen Vasquez, 7.5 Hr Assistant Para at ECEAP
11. Jeanette Moore, 7.5 Hr Assistant Para at ECEAP
12. Alixandria Lopez, 7.5 Hr Temporary Assistant Para at ECEAP

iii. Leave of Absence

1. Kayla Tucker, 8/26/24 to 11/27/24 for student teaching

iv. 2024/25 EHS Overnight Trips

The EHS football team will be attending the University of Idaho's camp rather than EWU due to it being canceled.

v. Donations

1. Community members donated to a cinnamon roll contest to raise money for the EHS Invest Fund, \$887.23 was raised. This money is used to help students in need.
2. Central Washington Athletic Conference (CWAC), \$5,000, to Ephrata High School, this will go into the ASB Athletic Reserve to help fund the athletic related expenses.
3. Frontstream, \$40, to Ephrata Middle School, this will be used for the needs of students in STEM activities.

- vi. **Approve Moving the July 22 Meeting to July 29 at 6:00 am**
- vii. **Approve the 2024-2027 Central Office Agreement**
- viii. **Approve the 2024-2025 Administrator/Director Agreement**
- ix. **Tech Items to be Recycled**
- x. **Approve Adding Ken Murray to the District Credit Card and Revolving Checking Account**
- xi. **Approve Adding Allison Razey to Any and All Bank Accounts Associated with the Ephrata School District**
- xii. **Resolutions Authorizing New Superintendent Ken Murray**
- xiii. **Resolution 2023-2024-14 Appointment of District Claims Agent**
- xiv. **Accounts Payable & Payroll**

b. Approve EHS Wrestling Mat Purchase

Bryan Johnson, EHS Athletic Director, is seeking approval to purchase new wrestling mats for the wrestling room. The current mats are over 20 years old and need to be replaced as they have become unsafe. The recommendation is to purchase them from Dollamur for \$25,320.15. The original recommendation was to purchase them from Resilite for \$21,907.73, but we were notified that shipping of the mats would most likely not be for 38 weeks, well after the wrestling season. not the lowest bid. The difference between these two (2) bids was the amount charged for shipping. Bryan is going to reach out to Dollamur to see if they will lower the shipping costs. Director Sainsbury made a motion to approve the purchase of the wrestling room mats from Dollamur for no more than the presented quote. Director Fleurkens seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

c. Approve Curriculum Adoption

Sharon Scellick, Teaching and Learning Director, is seeking approval to adopt and purchase new curriculum for K-5 Math, 6-8 grade English Language Arts and 5th Grade Science for the coming school year. As part of the review and selection process, teachers in these content areas reviewed publisher ratings on Ed Reports, requested and reviewed publisher samples, participated in presentations, engaged in professional development around best practices, assessed current student needs and achievements, conversed with educators in other districts, determined selection criteria and committed to a year-long field test of materials during the 2023-2024 school year. The new curriculum includes: K-5 Math: Reveal Math by McGraw Hill and Number Corner by The Math Learning Center 6-8 English Language Arts: My Perspectives by Savvas Learning 5th Grade Science: Inspire Science by McGraw Hill Director Sainsbury made a motion to approve the adoption of the new curriculum presented by Sharon Scellick. Director Fleurkens seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

d. Approve Purchase of 2 New Busses

Adam Roduner, Transportation Supervisor, is seeking approval to purchase two (2) new 81-passenger buses. The purchase of these buses will utilize the remaining levy funds allocated for buses. The buses will be purchased from RWC Group of Spokane at a cost of \$387,263. Director Truscott made a motion to approve the purchase of the two (2) new buses for \$387,263. Director Sainsbury seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

e. Approve STAR Autism Support Curriculum

Jamie Bessette, Special Services Director, is requesting approval to contract with STAR Autism Support to provide curriculum materials, workshops and training for school staff who work with students with autism. STAR offers research-based strategies and support for working with students with special needs. Staff will have access to two training workshops and four in-class consultations during the 2024-2025 school year. The cost for this is \$23,500 and the Special

Education budget has the capacity for this purchase. Director Fleurkens made a motion to approve the contract with STAR Autism Support. Director Truscott seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

f. Second Reading Policy/Procedure

After the first reading of Policy 2019 Director Adams requested that the policy be changed to reflect that parents will be notified prior to any videos being shown in the classroom, regardless of the movie rating. This verbiage was added to the policy. A motion to approve the updated Policy 2019 was made by Director Fleurkens. Director Truscott seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

6. Non-Action Items

a. Budget Report

Allison Razez, Director of Business and Finance, reviewed with the Board where our average enrollment finished for the 2023/24 school year, what MSOC's dollars were spent versus funded for the past 5 years, and how insurance premiums have increased over the same 5 years.

b. Superintendent Report

1. The importance of understanding the budget reports and asking questions going forward to help the Board understand where we are at fiscally.
2. Jamie Bessette does an exceptional job of not over spending her special education budget; this is not a common occurrence within the State.

c. Discussion on WSSDA General Assembly

Director Waller wanted the Board Directors to know that the General Assembly will be September 20th and 21st this year. If anyone is interested in participating with her this year to let her know. In July, the Board can review their priorities for the coming General Assembly.

7. Adjournment

Director Waller adjourned the meeting at 7:18 am.