



EAST OTERO SCHOOL DISTRICT R-1
301 RATON AVENUE
LA JUNTA, COLORADO 81050

BOARD WRAP-UP

**Board of Education Meeting
December 13, 2021**

1. **ROLL CALL** – Ayala, Backes, Bickel, Derbigny and Leyba
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **AUDIENCE** - Erica Zgorzynski addressed a concern with the Board regarding discretionary day policy revision.
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – **AGENDA APPROVED AS PRESENTED**
 3. **CONSENT AGENDA**
 - A. **Personnel Approval**
 - **Adriana Juki - New Hire as a Paraprofessional at the Intermediate School for the 2021-2022 school year**
 - **Jaedin Baca - New Hire as a Paraprofessional at Child Development Services for the 2021-2022 school year**
 - **Heidi Candelario - New Hire as a Health Aide for the 2021-2022 school year**
 7. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - D. **Approve Purchase of Insulation for the Bus Barn**
5. **CONSENT AGENDA** - **APPROVED CONSENT AGENDA WITH AN AMENDED MOTION**
 - A. **Personnel Approval**
 - Lance Olivas, Sr. - Resignation as Assistant Principal at Tiger Trades Academy effective January 1, 2022
 - Allyssia Aguilar - Resignation as a Paraprofessional at Tiger Trades Academy effective November 24, 2021
 - Viola Romero - New Hire as Classroom Supervisor at the Primary School for the 2021-2022 school year
 - William Remick - Transfer from Physical Education Teacher at the Junior/Senior High School to the Assistant Principal at Tiger Trades Academy for the 2021-2022 school year
 - Adriana Juki - New Hire as a Paraprofessional at the Intermediate School for the 2021-2022 school year
 - Jaedin Baca - New Hire as a Paraprofessional at Child Development Services for the 2021-2022 school year
 - Heidi Candelario - New Hire as a Health Aide for the 2021-2022 school year
 - B. **Approve the District Advisory Charge for the 2019-2020 School Year**
 - C. **Approve Additional Substitute Teachers for the 2021-2022 School Year**
 - D. **Approve Revised Policy GCCAA on First/Revised Reading**
 - E. **Approve Revised Policies IKF, BID/BIE, JLCDB, AC, GBA, GDE/GDF, JB, JF, JICDD, JII, LBD, GBEB, GCQC/GCQD, GDQB, GDCA, GCCBA and GCBC on Second/Final Reading**
 - F. **Approve Resolution Authorizing Signing of Checks/District Bank Accounts at First National and Colorado Bank and Trust**
 - G. **Approve an Additional Out-of-District Student for the 2021-2022 School Year**
6. **MINUTES** – Minutes of the Regular Meeting on November 16, 2021 **APPROVED AS PRINTED**
7. **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Merinda Reisch, Business Manager, explained there is not a financial report this month as the updated budget not being entered produces a skewed report. She did assure the Board the finances are in balance with the bank. No action was taken on this informational report.

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8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- The bus barn is ready for spray insulation. Superintendent Lovato said there is a lot of site work for the outside.
- The auditor has requested the district apply for an extension on the audit.
- Superintendent Lovato said the EASI grant is a continuation grant. The next phase is district led and the district won't have to rely on outside help in this phase. Generation Network has been working with the district closely and
- Superintendent Lovato said they have been helpful.
- Buses will be running on Wednesday and Thursday for early release.
- Beginning in January, the Intermediate School will be switching parent and bus pick up and drop off. Superintendent Lovato said communication with parents will begin now.
- Director Leyba asked if the stadium was closed because of the scoreboard. Superintendent Lovato said no, the track is being painted.
- Director Ayala asked if we are on schedule with the bus barn and finances. Superintendent Lovato said the interior will be up to the district to fund. He said a lot of the interior will be completed by district staff.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Approve Resolution to Certify Mill Levy as presented. Total mill levy has been certified at 25.420 (Lovato) **2021 MILL LEVY APPROVED AS PRESENTED**
- b. Approve Staff Appreciation Bonus (Lovato) **APPROVED AS PRESENTED, WITH DIRECTOR BICKEL ABSTAINING ON THE VOTE**
- c. Approve Physics in a Box Kits Purchase (Lovato) **APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$240,000.00 PURCHASED WITH GRANT FUNDS AS PRESENTED**
- d. Approve Purchase of Insulation for Bus Barn (Lovato) **APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$39,161.00 AS PRESENTED**

10. BOARD COMMENTS

- ✓ Director Ayala said to the audience, "Christmas Break is upon us!"
- ✓ Director Backes would like to take a comprehensive look at the policies that deal with discretionary leave, FMLA, etc. so staff is being taken care of. She also wishes everyone Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas and thanked staff for all they do.
- ✓ Director Ayala asked if Superintendent Lovato will discuss leave policies with the attorney. He said yes and he will also consult with the CASB attorney as well as other districts.
- ✓ Director Leyba asked for a policy audit as this is a service offered by CASB at no extra cost to the district. She explained in the audit CASB will take a comprehensive look at our policies to find outdated, duplicated or out-of-date with statute policies. Superintendent Lovato said the policies the CASB audit would help with most are policies unique to the district to make sure statutes are up to date. Building policies was mentioned and Superintendent Lovato said building policies should be referred to as building standard operating procedures and they are superseded by district policies.
- ✓ Director Backes noticed on social media that Tiger Trades Academy students built a bus shelter and she wanted to give a shout out to TTA. Director Ayala said that is exactly what the Board envisioned for TTA, which is to give our students trades skills.
- ✓ Director Ayala thanked all the teachers for all they do and said she understands this year has been very cumbersome.
- ✓ Superintendent Lovato thanked Chartwells for the dinner at the recent CASB convention and shared it was very good.
- ✓ Director Derbigny wanted to point out that no one ever wants to say pregnancy is an illness regarding staff discretionary leave.

11. ADJOURNMENT – **MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:04 p.m.**

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