

Minutes of Board Meeting

<u>Kind of Meeting</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
Regular	HS Cafeteria	July 21, 2025	6:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:	Board Members Absent:
Glen Foote, President	
David Sendt - Vice President	
Esta Poulton - Secretary	
Stephen McDermott	
Angie Ryan	
Daniel Dalberg	
Christina Schauer	
Others Present:	
TJ Potts	
Darren Sirianni	
Wes Heiar	
Grover Priebe	

1. Call to Order

The East Dubuque Board of Education met in regular session on Wednesday, July 21, 2025. President Foote called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call with 7 members present.

2. Consent Agenda

Sendt moved to approve the Consent Agenda with a second by Ryan. Roll call, all present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

3. Recognition of Visitors and Correspondence

None

4. Staff Reports

4.1 Mr. Heiar, Elementary Principal – On Friday, May 14th, the 3rd grade classrooms held their annual Afternoon Tea to publicly celebrate student work. They read their personal narrative stories and presented their animal research reports to parents, grandparents and other trusted friends and had a light snack and refreshments. Thank you to Mrs. Doyle, Ms. Berryman and Ms. Dolan for coordinating the event.

Summer school is off to a great start. We have 54 kids enrolled and a terrific group of teachers and paraprofessionals gilding their studies. It is taking place the last 3 weeks of July, 8am to 11am. They are focused on building the essential learning skills in both English/Language Arts and Mathematics. Thank you to Maintenance for getting the building and rooms ready, the Teachers and Paraprofessionals for their willingness and passion to teach, Transportation for all their bussing efforts, and TJ and Lisa for the grant writing and other finance related costs. It is a great team effort.

4.2 Mr. Sirianni, JH/HS Principal –

Activities: Fall Activities will begin in early August. Football starts on August 5th, Golf/Volleyball/Cross Country begin on August 11th. JH Football and Volleyball will begin on August 12th.

Summer: Students working on Credit Recovery are doing well overall. Most are on track to finish and be back on track for the beginning of the school year. A couple have some work to do in order to catch up before August 15th. Summer School and Extended School Year for the HS/JH students is going great. The students are doing some amazing things and seeing some neat things/places along the way.

Work: The HS Gym floor project is going strong. Things appear to be on track at this point for completion at the beginning of August. The cleaning of rooms is beginning this week in the HS/JH building. Grover's crew is doing great work, as usual!

JH/HS Projected Enrollment: (As of July 8, 2025)

Grade	Students					
7	44		(Totals)			
8	44			August 24	May 25	Aug 25
9	39	7-8		82	82	88
10	50	9-12		186	174	171
11	41	Total 7-12		268	256	259
12	41					

4.3 Mr. Potts, Superintendent,

Maintenance-From Grover Summer cleaning has been completed at the Elementary school, although there painting and pressure washing to do there. We also finished up the square school and are onto the high school. Mr. Shireman has retired, and I will have to pick up the duties of grass cutting and marking the fields this month for camps. Cutting our cleaning crew thin.

Had some talk with Fire and Safety company out of Platteville. They want our account and contacted me many times to go over costs. They presented me with a quote and we will be moving to their company. Had the stage curtains cleaned, flame proof certified, and hung back in the places that the play director wants them. It is a costly procedure, but it is cheaper than replacing the curtains.

Gym floor has been stained and sealed. They are in the process of painting the lanes and warrior head logo. Still have to work on the door thresholds and the vented baseboard.

Working with vendor to install new unit heaters in the wood shop and small engine rooms.

Plumbers have been in and finished all of the plumbing issues at the elementary school. They also have installed a new water softener in the square school. That is a necessity for the kitchen and dishwasher. The lighting company came and picked up all of our fluorescent bulbs for recycling.

Transportation- From Jeff: We are halfway through running the fleet to Lanark for its bi-annual State inspections. So far, so good.

Summer school and ESY transportation is going well. Due to numbers and times we have two drivers for each group.

On July 8th bus drivers attended our annual refresher course in Galena. Interesting topics were covered, including distracted driving and human trafficking. We learned that Dubuque is a major Midwestern hub for human trafficking. Given our districts proximity we are increasing our vigilance. We were also provided the national hotline number, 1-888-373-7888, for confidential reporting.

The new additions to the Fleet arrived on July 11th. Bus #41 will be our new route bus. It is a 2025 IC/CE 72 passenger bus. Bus #42 will be a Ford-Collins wheelchair bus. The bus it is replacing, minibus #37, was returned as its lease has ended. We traded in bus #27 as it has the most miles in the fleet.

A new driver is going through the process of obtaining his school bus endorsement, Dwayne Baker Jr., who has driven for the district in the past. We hope to have him ready for the 25-26 school year. We also have two administrators restarting the CDL process.

Superintendent: Mr. Potts – Strategic Plan:

I have sent the board the updated goals along with some other ideas from the leadership team. We are looking for feedback from individuals so we can polish this up and send it as a completed document. I would then like the board to sit down with the team to review and finalize.

Leadership Meeting with Doug Bolton:

On August 11 at 6:00 pm I am inviting the board along with Admin and teacher leadership to meet with Doug Bolton. He is the speaker we heard at last spring's regional meeting. He will be meeting with all staff the morning of the 12th, but I wanted to get our leadership team with him the night before and talk about our district direction and vision.

Upcoming Sub-Committee Meetings:

Aug. 20 4:45 Personnel, Curriculum and Technology (Ryan, Dahlberg, Foote)- Discuss the technology renewal plan, cybersecurity plan, curriculum renewal plan and any personnel updates. Potential Guests from TC Networks, Pam Oney

Aug. 20 5:15 Parent-Teacher Advisory (Dahlberg, Foote, Poulton) - Discuss the upcoming year and events happening at the school district. Discuss getting the board more involved in school/community events.

5. **Unfinished Business** – Grover updated the board on the Corridor project. Master beacons have been installed. On-site testing will be done week of July 21st. This next phase will also include integrating with the school's current camera system.

6. **New Business**

- 6.1. A personnel, curriculum & Technology meeting will be held August 20, 2025 at 5:00.
- 6.2. A parent-teacher advisory committee meeting will be held August 20, 2025 5:30
- 6.3. The ROE has terminated the agreement to rent a room at the square school. They are moving Family T.I.E.S to Galena.
- 6.4. A FOIA was completed requesting information on insurance policies.
- 6.5. A FOIA was completed for information if we had a competition math team.
- 6.6. Sendt moved to adopt the policies as presented with a second by Poulton. Roll call vote, all present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.
- 6.7. Dalberg moved to approve the AE Dairy milk bid with a second by Schauer. Roll call vote, all present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.
- 6.8. Dalberg moved to approve the BIMBO bread bid with a second by Ryan. Roll call vote, all present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

7. **Personnel**

Sendt made a motion to approve the Personnel Agenda as presented with a second by Poulton. Roll call vote, all present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

President Foote welcomed Brian Beadle to the East Dubuque School District.

8. **Executive Session**

There was no executive session.

9. **President's Prerogative** – President Foote made note of the times the board is invited to welcome teachers and staff back on August 12th.

10. **Adjourn**

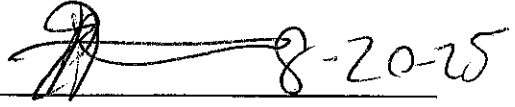
Dalberg made a motion to adjourn with a second from Schauer. Motion carried 7-0 and meeting was adjourned at 6:34 pm.

Signed:



Glen Foote, President

Attest:



Esta Poulton, Secretary