School Board Proceedings
Eden Valley-Watkins Public School #463
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March 12th, 2025

I. **6:00 P.M. Open Forum: Ben Stommes and Ann Lemke**

II. A Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Eden Valley-Watkins Schools was held Wednesday, March 12th, 2025, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Eden Valley-Watkins District Office with Board Chair Jay Brovold, Members Ben Stommes, Jen Evens, Ann Lemke, Charli Magedanz, Nathan Haag, Superintendent Mark Messman, and Business Manager Alisa Woolcott present. Call meeting to order @ 6:30

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. The Agenda was approved on a motion by Ben Stommes and seconded by Ann Lemke. Motion carried unanimously.

V. The Consent Agenda was approved on a motion by Jen Evens and seconded by Ben Stommes. Motion carried unanimously.

V.A. Minutes

V.B. Personnel Actions

Contracts:
-Approved a classified contract with Carolyn Kroska, Special Education Assistant, EVW Secondary, effective April 14, 2025, Lane B, Step 6
-Approved a classified contract with Sommer Torborg, Special Education Assistant, EVW Secondary, effective April 14, 2025, Lane B, Step 1

-Approved an extra-curricular contract with Dan Berg, Head Baseball Coach, Group 2, Yr 17
-Approved an extra-curricular contract with Dave Schneider, Asst. Baseball Coach, Group 4, Yr 17
-Approved an extra-curricular contract with Ryan Tri, JV Baseball Coach, Group 5, Yr 3
-Approved an extra-curricular contract with Sam Oehrlein, Jr. High Baseball Coach, Group 7, Yr 1
-Approved an extra-curricular contract with Heath Kramer, 'C' Squad Baseball Coach, Group 6, Yr 18
-Approved an extra-curricular contract with Jacob Anderson, Head Girls Golf Coach, Group 2, Yr 3
-Approved an extra-curricular contract with Dave Dziengel, Head Softball Coach, Group 2, Yr 23
-Approved an extra-curricular contract with Tom Jansen, Asst. Softball Coach, Group 4, Yr 27
-Approved an extra-curricular contract with Mickael Maciej, JV. Softball Coach, Group 5, Yr 3
-Approved an extra-curricular contract with Stephanie Borscheid, C-Squad Softball Coach, Group 6, Yr 3
-Approved an extra-curricular contract with Amanda Forcier, Jr. High Softball Coach, Group 7, Yr 3
-Approved an extra-curricular contract with Jason Mortenson, Head Boys Track Coach, Group 2, Yr 30
-Approved an extra-curricular contract with Tyler Warren, Head Girls Track Coach, Group 2, Yr 10
-Approved an extra-curricular contract with Lisa Brown, Asst. Girls Track Coach, Group 4, Yr 14
-Approved an extra-curricular contract with Holly Hansen, Assistant Track Coach, Group 4, Yr 15

Volunteers:
Leaves:
Resignations:
-Approved resignation of Annamari Rogness, .6 FTE FACS Teacher, .4 Paraprofessional, EVW Secondary, effective upon the conclusion of the 2024-25 school year after one year in the district
P-Card Authorizations:
- Approved District Office to issue school P-Card to Joel Baumgarten

VI. Finance

VI.A. The Board approved the March 12th, 2025 bills on a motion Ben Stommes by and seconded by Nate Haag. Motion carried unanimously.

		388,273.35
FUND 01	**GENERAL EDUCATION FUND**	
FUND 02	**FOOD SERVICE FUND**	739.26
FUND 04	**COMMUNITY ED FUND**	31,018.25
		420,030.86
	TOTAL	

VI.B. Mark Messman updated the Board on March 2025 enrollment and projections.

Resolution for Acceptance of Gifts

Member Ann Lemke introduced the Resolution for Acceptance of Gifts and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS the following have generously offered to donate to the Eden Valley-Watkins School District:

Eden Valley Lions	$600.00	Marv's Basketball Camp
Eden Valley Lions	$5,000.00	Robotics
Schlangen Custom Cabinets	$150.00	Robotics
KUE Contractors	$50.00	Robotics
EdenValley American Legion	$200.00	Prom/Post Prom
Thielen Machine and Welding	$350.00	Robotics

WHEREAS the conditions on these gifts are also indicated above;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Eden Valley-Watkins School Board to gratefully accept these gifts.

The motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Ben Stommes.

And upon vote being taken thereon,

The following voted in favor thereof: Jay Brovold, Charli Magedanz, Jen Evens, Ben Stommes, Nate Haag, and Ann Lemke

And the following voted against the same: none

And the following were absent: Christina DeRose

The forgoing resolution was approved this 12th day of March, 2025

VII. Board Business

VII.A. Business Manager, Alisa Woolcott presented the Revised FY2025 budget. A motion made by Ben Stommes to approved the revised budget motion was seconded by Jen Evens. Motion carried unanimously.

VII.B. Mark Messman recommended to approve the resolution authorizing administration to explore programming, positions, and consideration for reduction or discontinuance.

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Resolution Directing the Administration to make Recommendations for Reductions in Programs and Positions

Member Ann Lemke introduced the Resolution Directing the Administration to make Recommendations for Reductions in Programs and Positions and moved its adoption.

The motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Ben Stommes.

And upon vote being taken thereon,

The following voted in favor thereof: Jay Brovold, Charli Magedanz, Jen Evens, Ben Stommes, Nate Haag, and Ann Lemke

And the following voted against the same: none

And the following were absent: Christina DeRose

The forgoing resolution was approved this 12th day of March, 2025

VII.C. Mark Messman reviewed projections, considerations, and enrollment data used for planning and budgeting the 2025-2026 school year.

VIII. Board Member Updates and Reports:

VIII.A. Student-Schoolboard Representative Updates:

1. Softball and Track practice started this week.
2. Baseball practice will start next week.
3. ACT testing will be on March 12, 2025.

VIII.B. Superintendent, Mark Messman reported:

1. Political uncertainty at the State and Federal levels
    - Repeal/optional 2024 mandates, UI, ESST, PFML delay, compensatory, READ Act, SPED, ELL, etc.
2. MN Legislation concludes on May 19
3. 2025-26 budget work begins in May, presented in June
4. Staff Development March 21 & 24
5. 501c3 nonprofit transfer
    - requested information not received from organization, transfer can not be done until that information has been provided to the district
6. Finance committee
    - Ben Stommes, Jen Evens, District Administration, and Union Representatives
7. Director of Buildings & Grounds - vacancy posted
    - Posting will close on April 9th on Indeed, and will close on the District website on April 15th

VIII.C. Elementary Principal, Rob Pederson, Report:

1. March 21st and 24th there
2. March 17th will be he Elementary Spring concert.
3. Elementary Student Counsel food drive ended March 12th.
4. MCA testing will start the week of April 7th

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VIII.D. Secondary Principal, Dave Schneider, Report:

1. 2025-26 class schedules should be available to students before the end of the school year.
2. A full-time FACS teaching position has been posted, hopefully will be able to fill the high school FACS opening at the end of the 24-25 school year.
3. Requests have been sent out to area business and organization who are open to 9th grade volunteers on the morning of April 10th.
4. MCA testing will start the week of April 7th.

IX. Other Business:

X. Items to be considered at the next meeting:

1. Legislative update and impacts
2. Summer work and projects under consideration
3. Resolution proposing non-renewal of contracts
4. Update on K numbers and proposed sections
5. WBWF, curriculum, and fine arts update

XI. The meeting was adjourned at 8:06p.m. on a motion by Jen Evens and seconded by Ben Stommes. Motion carried unanimously.

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Ann Lemke
CLERK