

**School Board Proceedings**  
**Eden Valley-Watkins Public School #463**  
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**November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

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**I. 6:00 P.M. Open Forum: Nate Haag and Jen Evens**

II. A Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Eden Valley-Watkins Schools was held Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 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, Christina DeRose, Charli Magedanz, and Nate Haag. Superintendent Joel Baumgarten, 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 Ann Lemke and seconded by Jen Evens. Motion carried unanimously.

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

V.A. Minutes

V.B. Personnel Actions

**Contracts:**

- Approved a classified contract with Peyton Hiltner, Special Education Assistant, Eden Valley Elementary, Lane B, Step 3, effective October 28, 2025
- Approved an extra-curricular contract with Stephanie Borscheid, After the Bell Teacher, EVW Secondary, effective October 21, 2025
- Approved an extra-curricular contract with Amanda Meyer, After the Bell Teacher, EVW Secondary, effective October 21, 2025
- Approved an extra-curricular contract with Jolene Schmitz, After the Bell Teacher, EVW Secondary, effective October 21, 2025
- Approved an extra-curricular contract with Renae Ward, After the Bell Teacher, EVW Secondary, effective October 21, 2025
- Approved an extra-curricular contract with Adam Langer, Asst. Boys Basketball Coach, Group 3, Yr 20
- Approved an extra-curricular contract with Dave Dziengel, JH Boys Basketball Coach, Group 7, Yr 25
- Approved an extra-curricular contract with Sam Oehrlein, JH Boys Basketball Coach, Group 7, Yr 1
- Approved an extra-curricular contract with Tom Jansen, Head Girls Basketball Coach, Group 1, Yr 27
- Approved an extra-curricular contract with Becky Kuechle, Asst. Girls Basketball Coach, Group 3, Yr 25
- Approved an extra-curricular contract with Stephanie Borscheid, 9<sup>th</sup> Grade/"C" Girls Basketball Coach, Group 4, Yr 11
- Approved an extra-curricular contract with Dave Dziengel, JH Girls Basketball Coach, Group 7, Yr 25
- Approved an extra-curricular contract with Mikayla Kummet, JH Girls Basketball Coach, Group 7, Yr 5
- Approved an extra-curricular contract with Dan Berg, Head Wrestling Coach, Group 1, Yr 16
- Approved an extra-curricular contract with Heath Kramer, Asst. Wrestling Coach, Group 3, Yr 17
- Approved an extra-curricular contract with Jeff Forcier, JH Wrestling Coach, Group 3, Yr 31

**Volunteers:**

**Leaves:**

**Resignations:**

- Approved a resignation from LoriAnn Givan, Lunch Duty Assistant, Eden Valley Elementary, effective October 31, 2025, after one year in the position.
- Approved a resignation from Tori Pauls, After the Bell Assistant, Eden Valley Elementary, effective December 1, 2025, after one year in the position

**P-Card Authorizations:**

- Approved District Office to issue school P-Card to Jerrod Nohner

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VI Finance

VI.A. The Board approved the November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025 bills on a motion Jen Evens by and seconded by Ben Stommes. Motion carried unanimously.

<b>FUND 01</b>	<b>GENERAL EDUCATION FUND</b>	<b>513,757.43</b>
<b>FUND 02</b>	<b>FOOD SERVICE FUND</b>	<b>1,951.08</b>
<b>FUND 04</b>	<b>COMMUNITY ED FUND</b>	<b>13,120.09</b>
		<b><u>528,828.60</u></b>

VI.B. Joel Baumgarten reviewed monthly enrollment for November 2025.

VII. Board Business

VII.A. Curriculum Director, Melissa Notch, presented the 25-26 CACR reports and goals.

VII.B. Food Director, Amanda Bruntlett, presented the first quarter food service report.

VII.C. Joel Baumgarten reviewed the staff chosen 26-27 school calendar. The 26-27 school calendar was approved on a motion made by Ann Lemke and was seconded by Jen Evens. Motion carried unanimously.

VII.D. Recognize Jay Brovold for 10 years of service on the Eden Valley – Watkins School Board.

VIII. Board Member Updates and Reports:

1. None at this time

VIII.A. Student-Schoolboard Representative Updates:

1. Our Football team made it to State Semi-Finals
2. Girls Basketball practice started Monday 11/10
3. One Act had a meeting during SOAR on 11/11
4. IMAPCT food drive is going on right now
5. Knowledge Bowl had the first practice 11/12
6. NHS is fundraising for their annual Christmas for Kids shopping

VIII.B. Superintendent, Joel Baumgarten reported:

1. Transition-Going Well
2. Events

- Homecoming-Many events!
- Halloween Parade of Students
- LEEA Awards Ceremony on 10-29
- Musical 11-7 to 11-9
- State FB Update-Congrats! Play JCC on 11-14 No School
  - (Excuse Day?)
- Veterans Program on 11-10 Great turnout!
- American Education Week 11-17 to 11-21 Awards Breakfast 11-19
- ESSA Awards Ceremony on 11-19

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3. Meal Adjustments for State-8 Years Ago

- \$10 Students (was \$7)
- \$12 Coaches (was \$8)
- Out of Activities Account

4. Calendars

- Board Calendar-Mondays or Wednesdays? Vote?
- Calendar Committee
  - Met twice
  - Staff vote 85% Approval
  - Ready for approval
  - Early Start-Calendar A

5. Committees

- Calendar
- Health and Safety
- Wellness
- Technology
- Negotiations
- Glory Days

6. Personnel

- Para at EVW Elementary-Hired
- Cleaner-Hired
- All filled for now

7. Finance

- Audit Almost Finished
- Negotiations
- Budget
- Enrollment

8. MSBA

- State Convention on 1-15 and 1-16 Attending?
- MSBA Handout

9. SWWC Voting

- Ballots?

10. Award for Jay-10 Years

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

1. 1<sup>st</sup> quarter report cards just went out to families
2. Conferences were this past Thursday, but were shortened due to the Football game
- 3.

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

1. Woodlands Center has just gotten certification for the use of a therapy dog in schools. District admin will have a meeting with the Woodlands staff to get more details.
- 2.

IX. Other Business:

1. Asked the Board to review if the district should plan to make up the November 14<sup>th</sup> student contact day. A motion to not make up the 11/14 student contact day was made by Ann Lemke and was seconded by Christina DeRose. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Reviewed fixed asset threshold currently at \$5,000 and discuss increasing this to \$25,000 per auditor advice. Item tabled until the audit presentation so that the auditor can give guidance on why this amount has changed so many times in the last few years.
3. Joel Baumgarten reviewed items discussed at the recent Glory Days meeting with the Board.

X. Items to be considered at the next meeting:

1. CLA will present the preliminary 2025 annual audit report.
2. Truth-N-Taxation hearing
3. Certify the final tax levy to Meeker County Auditor
4. Board member orientation/mentorship review
5. Review and approve the final Certified and Classified seniority list
6. Revise current year's annual budget, if warranted
7. Review 2026 School Board meeting dates

XI. The meeting was adjourned at 7:44pm on a motion by Jen Evens and seconded by Ben Stommes. Motion carried unanimously.

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Ann Lemke  
CLERK