School Board Proceedings
Eden Valley-Watkins Public School #463
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January 26th, 2026

I. **5:30 P.M. Open Forum: Jay Brovold and Christina DeRose**

II. A Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Eden Valley-Watkins Schools was held Wednesday, January 26th, 2026, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Eden Valley-Watkins District Office with Board Chair Jay Brovold, Members Ben Stommes, Jen Evens, Ann Lemke, Christina DeRose, and Charli Magedanz. Superintendent Joel Baumgarten, and Business Manager Alisa Woolcott present. Call meeting to order @ 6:00

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Board Chair, Jay Brovold, closed the meeting to conduct the Superintendents mid-year review. The meeting will re-open to the public at an estimated time of 6:30 pm. A motion was made by Jen Evens to close the meeting for the Superintendents mid-year review and re-open the meeting once that has concluded, motion seconded by Christina DeRose. Motion carried unanimously.

V. The Agenda was approved on a motion by Jen Evens and seconded by Charlie Magedanz. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. The Consent Agenda was approved on a motion by Christina DeRose and seconded by Ann Lemke. Motion carried unanimously.

V.A. Minutes

V.B. Personnel Actions

Contracts:
-Approved a classified contract change with Kaila Schmitt, ADSIS Assistant, from 6.5 hours per day to 5.0 hours per day effective for hours worked beginning January 19, 2026

-Approved a Community Education contract change with Aidyn Brutger, Eagle Kids Childcare Aide, effective for hours worked beginning January 1, 2026
-Approved a Community Education contract change with Ivy Andreason, Eagle Kids Childcare Aide, effective for hours worked beginning January 1, 2026
-Approved a Community Education contract change with Kylie Korsmo, Eagle Kids Childcare Aide, effective for hours worked beginning January 1, 2026
-Approved a Community Education contract change with Emma Merriman, Eagle Kids Childcare Aide, effective for hours worked beginning January 1, 2026
-Approved a Community Education contract change with Emma Salo, Eagle Kids Childcare Aide, effective for hours worked beginning January 1, 2026
-Approved a Community Education contract change with MiCayden Schmitz, Eagle Kids Childcare Aide, effective for hours worked beginning January 1, 2026
-Approved a Community Education contract change with Madelynn Thielen, Eagle Kids Childcare Aide, effective for hours worked beginning January 1, 2026

Volunteers:
Leaves:
Resignations:
P-Card Authorizations:

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VII. Finance

VII.A. The Board approved the January 26tth, 2026 bills on a motion Jen Evens by and seconded by Charlie Magedanz. Motion carried unanimously.

FUND 01	**GENERAL EDUCATION FUND**	**333,767.43**
FUND 02	**FOOD SERVICE FUND**	**95.25**
FUND 04	**COMMUNITY ED FUND**	**31,154.71**
		365,017.39

VII.B. Joel Baumgarten reviewed monthly enrollment for January 2026.

VIII. Board Business

VIII.A. Business Manager, Alisa Woolcott, reviewed an extended student enrollment projection with the Board.

VIII.B. Projections and calculations were presented to the Board, prior to the budget presentation in February.

VIII.C. Review and approve the amended 2025-27 Master Agreement between Independent School District #463 and the Eden Valley – Watkins Federation of Teachers. Motion made by Ann Lemke and seconded by Charlie Magedanz. Motion carried unanimously.

VIII.D. Review and approve making January 16th, 2026 and non-make up day for students and staff. Motion made to not make up non-student contact day made by Ann Lemke and seconded by Jen Evens. Motion carried unanimously.

IX. Board Member Updates and Reports:

1.

IX.A. Student-Schoolboard Representative Updates:

1. Snow Daze- this week, coronation tomorrow during school
2. One Act- performed for the school last week, sub section competition today
3. Wrestling- First home meet last Thursday
4. Boys Basketball- won Saturday, 3 games this week
5. Girls Basketball- tonight game, and home game Thursday
6. Speech- First scrimmage last Thursday
7. Knowledge bowl- in the middle of the season
8. Honor Band- on Saturday January 17th a few 7-10th grade students attend honor Band in Elk River

IX.B. Superintendent, Joel Baumgarten reported:
1. Committees

- Health and Safety
- Finance

2. Finance

- Budget
- Funding
    - State
    - Federal
- Cuts?
- Staffing?

3. MSBA Conference

- Ann, Christina, Charli and Joel
- Workshops and Speakers
    - Strategic Planning
    - First Amendment Rights
    - Student Safety
    - Speakers
- Board members need to do 4 phases of training

4. Transition

- Meetings in public
    - Coffee at Legion
    - Bus Driver Meetings
    - Chamber Meetings
    - School Events/Games
    - Reading to K and 1st grade

5. Weather

- Early Release/Late Start
- E-Learning 5 total
- Sickness Day

6. Other

- Contract finished-MOU
- PFML started on 1-1
- HR busy-Holly
- Para Appreciation Week
- Bus Driver Appreciation Day

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

1. Data meetings happened virtually on the 1-23 E-Learning day.
2. Super Hero Day will be on 1-30. This is a fundraiser for the Nicholas Koenig Foundation.
3. Mid-terms are coming up.

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

1. Continue working on the 26-27 Eden Valley – Watkins Registration Guide
2.

X. Other Business:

XI. Items to be considered at the next meeting:

1. Review and approve the Revised 25-26 Capital – Admin Budget
2. Review and approve the Revised 25-26 LTFM Budget
3. Review and approve the Revised 25-26 Budget
4. Policy updates
5. Review and approve the 26-27 Eden Valley – Watkins High School Registration Guide

XII. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05pm on a motion by Christina DeRose and seconded by Jen Evens. Motion carried unanimously.

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Ann Lemke
CLERK