

Minutes of Board Meeting

<u>Kind of Meeting</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
Regular	HS Cafeteria	July 15, 2026	6:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:	Board Members Absent:
Glenn Foote, President	
David Sendt - Vice President	
Stephen McDermott	
Esta Poulton - Secretary	
Daniel Dalberg	
Angie Ryan	
Christina Schauer	
Others Present:	Absent:
Darren Sirianni - HS Principal	T.J. Potts - Superintendent
Wes Heiar - Elementary Principal	Grover Priebe - Building & Grounds

1. Call to Order

The East Dubuque Board of Education met in regular session on Wednesday, July 15, 2026. President Foote called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call with seven members present.

2. Consent Agenda

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

3. Recognition of Visitors and Correspondence

No visitors.

Chance & Kim from Kunkel & Associates, Inc. will be present at the August meeting.

4. Staff Reports

4.1 Mr. Heiar, Elementary Principal:

1. On Friday, May 15th our 3rd grade classrooms held their annual Afternoon Tea to publicly celebrate student work. Our 3rd grade students read their personal narrative stories and presented their animal research reports to parents, grandparents and other trusted friends. Everyone also enjoyed some light snacks and other refreshments. We had an amazing turnout. Thank you to Mrs. Doyle and Ms. Dolan for coordinating the event.
2. Summer School 2026 and Extended School Year (ESY)- summer school is off to a great start at the elementary school. We have 60 kids enrolled and a terrific group of teachers and paraprofessionals gilding their studies. Summer School is taking place from 8:00-11:00 a.m. over the first 3 weeks in July and the day is focused on building the essential learning skills in both English/Language Arts and

Mathematics. Thanks to Maintenance for getting the classrooms and building ready, our Teachers and Paraprofessionals for their willingness and passion to teach, Transportation (Jen and Jeff) for all their bussing efforts, and TJ and Lisa for assisting with the grant writing and other finance related costs. It has been a great team effort.

4.2 Mr. Potts, Superintendent:

Maintenance (Mr. Priebe) No Report

Transportation (Mr. Weydert)

We are halfway through running our entire fleet for its' bi-annual trip to the State Testing Lane in Lanark IL. So far, so good.

We are also taking care of recall notices on several vehicles during this brief summer lull.

Summer school and ESY started on July 6th. Routes are up and running.

We have some prospects working their way through the process of becoming school bus drivers. We now have four potential people working through the layers of training and testing.

We have the "Bus Drivers Wanted" banner back up on the square school and have made posts on social media, we have gotten some response. We, along with just about every school transportation department across the country, is searching for drivers. So please, if you know of anyone interested in driving a school bus, let me know and we will provide paid training and help them to become an East Dubuque bus driver.

District (Mr. Potts)

Eligibility Policy for Extracurricular Activities: We had our second meeting on this and I will share a draft of the policy and our student plan tonight. We will have a public meeting on August 10 for families to hear about it and ask questions regarding the policy and the measures we are taking to help kids.

Parent Advisory Meeting on Bullying: We will have our second meeting on July 23rd at 5:00pm. We have many resources in place and a few more details to work out on the student coalition and student mentoring programs. We are also allowing Amanda Harvey to host a community coalition meeting here at school on August 4 at 6:30pm.

CTE: As you know the CTE school for us is in Elizabeth. We used to send students down there for classes, but it was decided that it was just too far for partial day students. Last week I met with Galena and Southwestern's Superintendents. We spoke about the feasibility of using Galena's old elementary school as a regional CTE shop for our districts. More information will be coming as we continue to pursue this relationship.

Molly W: Our hearts all went out to Molly Weinschenk's family a couple weeks ago when we heard of the tragic news. Molly was an outstanding worker and she was wonderful to kids. Molly was a very hard worker and didn't mind filling in anywhere. She was perfect in our Life Skills classroom with some of our most fragile and most challenging kids! We will miss her warmth and her dedication.

5. Unfinished Business

6. New Business

- 6.1 A motion was made by Schauer to adopt Policies for 2nd Reading with a second by Ryan. All voted aye and motion passed 7-0.
- 6.2 A motion was made by Dalberg to approve the Milk Bid from Anderson Erickson with a second by Sendt. All voted aye and motion passed 7-0.
- 6.3 A motion was made by Poulton to approve the Bread Bid from Bimbo Bakery with a second by Dalberg. All voted aye and motion passed 7-0.

- 6.4 A motion was made by Sendt to accept Kunkel & Associates as our Property & Casualty Insurance agent with a second by Dalberg. All voted aye and motion passed 7-0.
- 6.5 A motion was made by Sendt to renew the Harassment Policy with a second by Ryan. All voted aye and motion passed 7-0.
- 6.6 A motion was made by Sendt to renew the Bullying Policy with a second by McDermott. All voted aye and motion passed 7-0.
- 6.7 A motion was made by Dalberg to approve EIS Administrator & Teacher Salary and benefits for the school year 2026 with a second by Sendt.
- 6.8 Principal Sirianni reviewed the CTE feasibility in Galena.
- 6.9 Foote confirmed that the Jo Daviess County Tax Distribution funds were delayed and the district received payment on July 2nd. Dalberg inquired about the district obtaining a Student Resource Officer to replace Officer Huseman.
- 6.10 An update to the Eligibility Policy will be voted on at the August meeting.
- 6.11 A new date for the Parent Teacher Advisory Meeting for Bullying has been set for July 23rd at 5:00 p.m.
- 6.12 FOIA request Judiciary Series 2 - completed

7. Personnel

- 7.1 A motion was made by Sendt to accept all Personnel Items with a second by McDermott. All voted aye and motion passed 7-0.

8. Executive Session

9. President's Prerogative

10. Adjourn

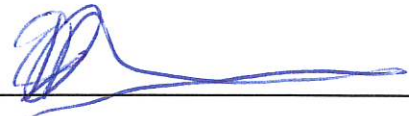
Sendt made a motion to adjourn with a second from Schauer. Motion carried 7-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Signed:



Glen Foote, President

Attest:



Esta Poulton, Secretary