



EASTMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 14, 2022

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

On Monday, March 14, 2022, the regular meeting of the Eastmont School District Board of Directors was called to order by Board President Whitney Smith at 5:30 p.m. in the Eastmont High School Library at 955 3rd Street NE, East Wenatchee.

A Webex link was provided on the District's website for public participation at:

<https://eastmont206.webex.com/eastmont206/j.php?MTID=mb60b6e2edda7d21a72a9b6f68d35d9b4>

ATTENDANCE

Present:

Whitney Smith, Board President
Cindy Wright, Board Vice President
Joy Dawe, Board Director
Jason Heinz, Board Director
Meaghan Vibbert, Board Director
Garn Christensen, Board Secretary/Superintendent
Brandy Fields, Superintendent's Secretary

Also Participating In-person and Remotely:

District staff, community members, and one media personnel

APPROVE AGENDA/MODIFICATIONS

Superintendent Garn Christensen reported there were no changes to the Agenda.

MOVED by Director Wright and SECONDED by Director Dawe to approve the Agenda for March 14, 2022 as presented. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Instructions for public comment were provided on the Agenda. Public Comments could be made to the Board in three ways: 1) By calling (509) 888-4698; 2) By writing and sending regular mail to the Administration Office; and 3) By email to schoolboard@eastmont206.org.

There was public comment from Elizabeth Bray regarding student schedules for 2022-23. Her question was referred to the appropriate administrator for a response.

STUDENT REPORTS

A. District STEM 3rd Grade Recycled Vehicles Winning Team from Rock Island Elementary.

Rock Island Principal Penny Brown introduced STEM Coach Christine McDowell along with 3rd grade students Julio Garcia-Zavala and Alondra Zigala-Gonzalez. The students introduced their parents in the audience and shared their STEM experience with the Board, answered questions, and let the Board see their winning vehicle.

B. Eastmont High School ASB Student Report.

EHS ASB Advisor Laurie Butterfield introduced EHS ASB President Brenda Calvillo. She shared her experiences with ASB for this year with the Board and answer questions.

INFORMATION

A. Staff Years of Service Recognition.

The Board recognized the following staff:

- Karla Grode had 20 years in August 2020
- Lisa Lewis had 20 years in August 2020
- Enrique Sanchez-Mora had 20 years in August 2020
- Steve Weisbeck had 20 years in August 2020
- Kathy Addleman had 20 years in August 2021
- Brian Frank had 20 years in August 2021
- Stacia Hardie had 20 years in August 2021
- Kai Knell had 20 years in August 2021
- Penny Paus had 20 years in August 2021
- Jim Schmutzler had 20 years in August 2021
- Robin Shockey had 20 years in August 2021
- Shaine Brookover had 25 years in August 2021
- Jeannette James had 25 years in August 2021
- Marisol Lee had 25 years in August 2021
- Lance Noell had 25 years in August 2021
- Shelley Skaar had 35 years in August 2021

B. Board News.

Director Heinz shared he recently attended school athletic events over the weekend.

C. Superintendent News.

COVID Update – With Governor Inslee’s mask requirement in schools ending March 11, 2022 today was the first day for students and staff to not have to wear one unless they chose to.

School Retiree’ Appreciation Week – March 21-27, 2022.

Superintendent Christensen reported that Governor Inslee declared March 21-27, 2022 as School Retiree’ Appreciation Week and expressed thanks for the countless hours retirees spend in our schools.

BUILDING AND PROGRAM REPORT

A. Eastmont High School Recognition.

Director Vibbert recognized Clovis Point Elementary staff for the following accomplishments:

1. EHS had a graduation rate of 91% for the class of 2021. This is well over the state average of 83%. This was done during one of the toughest years in the history of public schools.
2. The required elective courses are now fully implemented and consist of:
 - Leadership in the Community and Leadership Beyond.
 - Financial Literacy that teaches the life skills needed to manage personal finances. Students also learn about FAFSA, scholarships, and other options for paying for post high school education.
3. Additional academic assistance this year includes:
 - CUPS (catch up's), which is small group instruction/tutoring offered to students during the school day who need additional content instruction.
 - Remote Credit Retrieval for students who need to retake a course.
 - After school tutoring provided by EHS teachers is now available for all EHS students.
4. High school staff did an amazing job of working above and beyond to get students caught up and back on track to graduate after COVID related absences.

B. Eastmont High School Building Report.

Principal Lance Noell and Eastmont High School staff shared information on their recent challenges and accomplishments. They answered questions from the Board.

C. Eastmont Athletics 7th–12th Report.

District Athletic Director Russ Waterman presented the EHS Athletics 7th–12th Report and answered questions from the Board.

D. Eastmont CTE Program Report.

CTE Director/Assistant Principal Jim Schmutzler presented the Eastmont CTE Program Report and answered questions from the Board.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of minutes. The Board of Directors approved the minutes from the regular meeting held on February 28, 2022.

B. Payment of bills and/or payroll. The Board of Directors approved the following checks, direct deposits, or wire transfers listed on check summaries dated March 14, 2022:

Warrant Numbers	Total Dollar Amount
7125950-7125950	\$10,000.00
7125951-7125952	\$1,039.87
7125953-7125969	\$16,336.32
7125970-7126125	\$236,301.34
7126126-7126126	\$203.24

- C. Approval of personnel action. The Board of Directors approved the Personnel Action Items dated March 14, 2022.
- D. Approval of field trip request. The Board of Directors approved the following field trip request:
 - 1. Eastmont FBLA revised field trip request.
- E. Review of student enrollment update. The Board of Directors received the Monthly Student Enrollment Update.

MOVED by Director Heinz and SECONDED by Director Vibbert to approve Consent Agenda Items #A-E. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

INFORMATION ONLY

- A. Redistricting From 2020 Decennial Census.

Superintendent Christensen reviewed the population chart and the small revisions to the three Director Districts recommended by Sammamish Data Systems. The goals of RCW 29A.76.010 are to ensure our three Director Districts were equal in population as possible, contiguous, compact, no disfavoring any group/parties, and protecting Areas of Common Interest. The next step is a Public Hearing for Redistricting.
- B. School Facilities Bond/Capital Planning.

Superintendent Christensen reviewed the school facilities modernizations that were just completed and then discussed future finance options such as a bond or capital levy for Phase 2. Listening online, but not offering any input, were Dr. Becky Berg, Eastmont Facilities and Maintenance Director Seann Tanner, and NAC Architect Brent Harding.

Superintendent Christensen shared he would bring back comparison information showing the differences in both a bond or capital levy option at a future meeting.

DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM

- A. Science 9th–12th Grade Curriculum Adoption Recommendations.

Assistant Superintendent Matt Charlton presented the Science 9th–12th Grade Curriculum Adoption Recommendations to the Board and answered questions. Assistant Principal Tom McRae, Dept. Chair Shayla Brookover, and Science Teacher Shaine Brookover participated in the Science Curriculum Committee and were present to answer any of the Board's questions.

MOVED by Director Heinz and SECONDED by Director Wright to approve the Science 9th–12th Grade Curriculum Adoption Recommendations. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Director Vibbert and SECONDED by Director Heinz to adjourn the meeting.
The motion CARRIED unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Approval:

Whitby Smith 3/20/22
Chairperson Date

AG 4/11/22
Secretary Date