

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
May 9, 2022

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

On Monday, May 9, 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 Sterling Junior High Cafeteria at 600 North James, East Wenatchee.

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

<https://eastmont206.webex.com/eastmont206/j.php?MTID=m2c99184e8f6042e3f1072f9084d6eea6>

ATTENDANCE

Present:

Whitney Smith, Board President
Cindy Wright, Board Vice President
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 two media personnel

APPROVE AGENDA/MODIFICATIONS

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

MOVED by Director Vibbert and SECONDED by Director Wright to approve the Agenda for May 9, 2022 as presented. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR REDISTRICTING OF BOARD DIRECTOR DISTRICTS

The Public Hearing started at 5:31p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comment on recommended boundary changes due to Redistricting the Board Director Districts. President Smith stated the maps with the boundary changes have been posted on the District's website and a legal ad was published in the Wenatchee World on April 30, 2022 advertising this public hearing inviting public comment to be heard for or against any part of the boundary changes. There was no public comment on redistricting.

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 no public comment.

STUDENT REPORT

A. Sterling Junior High School ASB Student Report.

Sterling Principal Chris Hall introduced ASB Officers Pason Stimmel and Sofia Garcia-Perez. They shared their experiences in ASB with the Board and answered questions.

INFORMATION

A. Staff Years of Service Recognition.

The Board recognized the following staff:

- Mike Gamble had 20 years in August 2020
- Kathy Jasman had 20 years in August 2020
- LaRae Benson had 20 years in August 2020
- Dave Dewitt had 20 years in August 2020
- Katie Tucker had 20 years in August 2021
- Carrie Brett had 25 years in August 2021
- Amy Schall had 25 years in August 2021
- Jose' Vivanco had 25 years in August 2021
- Dave Kelley had 25 years in August 2021

B. Board News.

Director Vibbert shared she recently attended several events involving schools and students from sports awards to Apple Blossom performances. Director Wright shared how appreciative she was to participate in the FFA Annual Plant Sale again.

C. Superintendent News.

Assistant Superintendent Matt Charlton gave the Board an update on the District's response to a rise in student gang activities including weekly meetings with secondary administrators and our SRO, along with a joint press release from Superintendent Christensen and Police Chief Rick Johnson.

BUILDING AND PROGRAM REPORT

A. Sterling Junior High School Recognition.

Director Vibbert recognized Sterling Junior High staff for the following accomplishments:

1. Tiered Systems of Support – A framework of intervention and supports designed to address students' behavioral and academic challenges. Tier II: Focus and Finish (Opportunity for students to complete work - student selects); Study Hall; and After School Tutoring. Tier III: Social Groups; Social Lunch Program; Check & Connect.
2. Strong Teacher-Student Relationships – Both the short and long-term improvements in the following areas: Higher student academic engagement; Attendance; Grades; Fewer disruptive behaviors and suspensions; and Lower school dropout rates.

3. Transitioned Sterling to a Jr. High School – Teachers, Administration, Students, and Parents collaboratively developed a Jr. High program with common secondary classes for the 2022-23 school year: Staffing; Community Building-CTE Clubs, Unified Games; Expand class offerings; Expand student leadership opportunities; and Expand sports and extra-curricular clubs.

B. Sterling Junior High School Building Report.

Principal Chris Hall and Sterling Junior High School staff shared information on their recent challenges and accomplishments. They answered questions from the Board.

C. Eastmont Academy and EHS Opportunities Report.

Principal Katie Tucker presented the Eastmont Academy and EHS Opportunities Report. She shared staff recognition, along with information about their recent challenges and accomplishments. She answered questions from the Board.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of minutes. The Board of Directors approved the minutes from the regular meeting held on April 18, 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 May 9, 2022:

Warrant Numbers	Total Dollar Amount
7126487-7126488	\$321.50
7126489-7126490	\$30.00
7126491-7126495	\$395.63
7126496-7126507	\$5,309.58
7126508-7126645	\$1,734,921.42
7126646-7126646	\$9,420.00
7126647-7126674 and 900132958-900133853	\$6,528,114.03
7126675-7126699	\$1,185,853.71
7126700-7126700	\$6.00
7126701-7126701	\$152.70
7126702-7126716	\$21,732.15
7126717-7126833	\$496,811.65

C. Approval of personnel action. The Board of Directors approved the Personnel Action Items dated May 9, 2022.

D. Approval of travel report. The Board of Directors approved the Request for Travel Report dated May 9, 2022.

E. Approval of school improvement plan. The Board of Directors approved the School Improvement Plan for Sterling Junior High School.

F. Approval of school improvement plan. The Board of Directors approved the School Improvement Plan for Eastmont Academy.

G. Approval of field trip requests. The Board of Directors approved the following field trip requests:

1. EHS/EJHS FBLA field trip request.
2. EHS/EJHS M.E.Ch.A. field trip request.
3. Eastmont High School FCCLA field trip request.
4. Eastmont High School GEAR UP field trip request.
5. Eastmont High School Skills USA field trip request.

H. Review policy. The Board of Directors reviewed the following policy for First Reading:

<i>Section</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Title</i>
3000 Students	New Policy 3411	Accommodating Students with Seizure Disorders or Epilepsy

I. Approval of donation. The Board of Directors approved the donation from community member Pete Kuske.

J. Approval of donation. The Board of Directors approved the donation from the Young Adult Consumer Education Trust (YACET) Board.

K. Approval of student handbook. The Board of Directors approved the Elementary Student Handbook for 2022-23.

L. Review of student enrollment update. The Board of Directors received the Monthly Student Enrollment Update.

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

DISTRICT PROGRAM REPORT

A. District Counseling Services Report.

Assistant Superintendent Matt Charlton gave the District Counseling Services Report and answered questions from the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Smith announced the Board would hold an Executive Session to discuss the qualifications of candidates for an appointment to an elected office. She stated the Executive Session would last 15 minutes, start at 6:48 p.m., conclude at 7:03 p.m., and action was anticipated.

MOVED by Director Wright and SECONDED by Director Vibbert to enter into an Executive Session. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

President Smith announced the Executive Session ended at 7:03 p.m. and returned to the regular meeting. No action was taken during Executive Session.

DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

A. Selection of Board of Director Interviews for Position #4.

MOVED by Director Vibbert and SECONDED by Director Heinz to select the following five applicants for interviews on May 23, 2022: Melinda Anantatmula, Daleynn Chapman, Chad Findlay, Steve Piccirillo, and Lisa Skagen. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

B. Construction Bond Election Date.

Superintendent Christensen presented information on possible election date options for a construction bond proposal.

MOVED by Director Heinz and SECONDED by Director Wright to direct Superintendent Christensen to prepare a construction bond proposal for the November 8, 2022 general election. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

C. Purchase of Property – Douglas County Parcel Number: 75000002501 located at 302 S. Union Avenue, East Wenatchee.

Superintendent Christensen presented information on the purchase of Douglas County Parcel Number: 75000002501 located at 302 S. Union Avenue, East Wenatchee.

MOVED by Director Wright and SECONDED by Director Vibbert to approve the purchase of Douglas County Parcel Number: 75000002501 located at 302 S. Union Avenue, East Wenatchee and authorize the Superintendent to sign documents. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The Board wanted to thank all the community members that completed the application paperwork for the Board vacancy.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Approval:

 5-23-2022
Chairperson Date

 5/24/22
Secretary Date