

EASTLAND COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #308

Board of Education Meeting

February 20, 2019

6:30 p.m.

Lorrie Heeren, Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT: Diann Cassens, Lorrie Heeren, Brian Heldt, Anthony Preston, Steven Snider, and Jennifer Sturtevant

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT: Mark D. Hansen, Monica Burkholder, Angela Mahoney

OTHERS PRESENT: Michele Hartman, Chris Dertz, Carl Erbsen, Alex Kashner, Tim Kaus, Dennis Lotz, Chad Waller

ADOPTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA:

A motion was made by **Heldt** and seconded by **Preston** to adopt the agenda, as presented. Roll call vote showed Cassens, Heeren, Heldt, Preston, Snider, and Sturtevant voting aye. **Motion carried.**

CONSENSUS ITEMS:

A motion was made by **Heldt** and seconded by **Snider** to approve the consensus items as presented:

- Minutes of the January 16, 2019 Regular Board of Education meeting;
- Payment of Accounts Payable for the month of February, 2019 in the amount of \$128,310.34;
- School Treasurer's Report for the month of January, 2019;

Roll call vote showed Cassens, Heeren, Heldt, Preston, Snider, and Sturtevant voting aye. **Motion carried.**

BOARD INPUT:

The following items were discussed:

- Board Committee Meetings and Dates
- Team building workshop for new Board/Superintendent set for Mon, Aug 26
- Transition plan for new Superintendent
- Changes due to winter weather days
 - change in end of 3rd quarter
 - assessment calendar
- IASB NW Division Dinner Meeting in Sterling on Wed, March 13
- Eastland team presentation to the Fulton administrators and staff regarding standards-based learning and grading

Karl Henze entered the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS:

President Heeren thanked the visitors for attending. Heeren also welcomed incoming Superintendent Kashner.

OLD BUSINESS:

➤ **STATUS REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS (SROs)**

Administrators shared a status report on the work of the two SROs. Both Principals commented it has definitely been a benefit having an SRO present/available at school and events.

➤ **ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR A ZERO-TURN MOWER AND NEW PICKUP TRUCK LESS TRADE-IN**

A motion was made by **Henze** and seconded by **Preston** to accept and approve the bid from Sloan Implement for a zero-turn mower at a cost of \$8,679.00, and to accept and approve the bid from Kunes Country Auto Group for the trade in of the school's pick-up truck and the purchase of a 2019 Ford F250 for the net price of \$23,665.24, as presented.

Roll call vote showed Cassens, Heeren, Heldt, Henze, Preston, Snider, and Sturtevant voting aye.
Motion carried.

➤ **ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR THE EASTLAND ELEMENTARY SECURE OFFICE ENTRANCE AND DISTRICT OFFICE RELOCATION PROJECT**

A motion was made by **Heldt** and seconded by **Preston** to accept and approve the bid from Winter Construction for renovation work at Eastland Elementary at a cost of \$186,600.00, as presented.

Roll call vote showed Cassens, Heeren, Heldt, Henze, Preston, Snider, and Sturtevant voting aye.
Motion carried.

➤ **APPROVAL OF THE 2019-20 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR**

This item was tabled and will be added as an action item for the March Board meeting.

➤ **PRESENTATION OF EASTLAND'S STANDARDS-BASED PROFILE PAGE**

Superintendent Hansen shared a copy of a 2-sided profile page that will be used with colleges and other entities to explain Eastland High School's academic profile and standards-based

grading procedures. He thanked Erin Paulsen for her work to design the page, and Anne Pilgrim and Principal Burkholder for recognizing the need and providing direction.

NEW BUSINESS:

➤ **APPROVAL TO DONATE FULL-SIZED LOCKERS PREVIOUSLY DECLARED SURPLUS**

A motion was made by **Henze** and seconded by **Cassens** to approve the donation of full-sized lockers previously declared surplus to the Village of Shannon and the City of Lanark, as presented.

Roll call vote showed Cassens, Heeren, Heldt, Henze, Preston, Snider, and Sturtevant voting aye.

Motion carried.

➤ **1ST READING OF THE PROPOSED 1-YEAR EXTENSION TO THE STRATEGIC PLAN**

The Board heard a first reading of the proposed 1-year extension of the District's Strategic Action Plan.

➤ **1ST READING OF THE PROPOSAL TO START AN EJSHS POWERLIFTING CLUB**

Social Studies and Strength/Conditioning teacher Chris Dertz presented a proposal to start an Eastland Jr/Sr High School Powerlifting Club. He explained how competitive powerlifting works, who could participate, and discussed the benefits of powerlifting, including increased strength, quickness, and explosiveness, as well as improved safety from injury. The club would be for girls and boys. Action on the proposal will be scheduled for the March meeting.

➤ **APPROVAL OF SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAMMING AND PLAN FOR SUMMER DRIVER EDUCATION FOR 2019**

A motion was made by **Heldt** and seconded by **Heeren** to approve summer school programming and the plan to provide summer Driver's Education classes for 2019, as presented.

Roll call vote showed Cassens, Heeren, Heldt, Henze, Preston, Snider, and Sturtevant voting aye.

Motion carried.

➤ **APPROVAL TO RENEW STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE AND CATASTROPHIC ACCIDENT INSURANCE**

A motion was made by **Henze** and seconded by **Snider** to approve the plan to renew the voluntary student accident insurance for 2019-20, and approve the purchase of catastrophic accident insurance at a annual premium cost of \$984.00, as presented.

Roll call vote showed Cassens, Heeren, Heldt, Henze, Preston, Snider, and Sturtevant voting aye.
Motion carried.

➤ **APPROVAL TO AMEND THE 2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR**

A motion was made by **Henze** and seconded by **Heldt** to approve a memorandum of understanding with the Eastland Education Association to amend the 2018-19 School Calendar, as presented.

Roll call vote showed Cassens, Heeren, Heldt, Henze, Preston, Snider, and Sturtevant voting aye.
Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION:

A motion was made by **Heldt** and seconded by **Snider** to enter into closed session at 7:49 p.m. to consider information regarding:

- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).
- To consider student disciplinary cases. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).

Roll call vote showed Cassens, Heeren, Heldt, Henze, Preston, Snider, and Sturtevant voting aye.
Motion carried.

A motion was made by **Heldt** and seconded by **Preston** to exit closed session at 8:27 p.m.
Voice vote showed all ayes. **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by **Heldt** and seconded by **Henze** to approve closed session minutes. Voice vote showed all ayes. **Motion carried.**

➤ **APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL:**

A motion was made by **Heldt** and seconded by **Preston** to approve the following personnel actions:

- Approved the following volunteers for softball and baseball:
 - **Jodi Engelkens** - softball
 - **Tyler Giedd** - baseball

- Approved and accepted the notice of intent to retire of **William Piper** as full-time custodian effective June 20, 2019.
- Approved posting a vacancy for an Assistant Football Coach for the E-PC Cooperative for the 2019 season.
- Approved continuing to post a vacancy for a **High School Physics/Chemistry teacher** for the 2019-20 school year.
- Approved continuing to post a vacancy for an **.5 Elementary Special Education Teacher / .5 Elementary Intervention Teacher** for the 2019-20 school year.
- Approved posting vacancies for the following positions:
 - Summer Driver Education Instructor
 - Summer School Facilitators (3)
 - One for grades 3-8 with math certification/qualifications
 - One for grades 3-8 with English/language arts certification/qualification
 - One to facilitate Illinois Virtual School coursework for grades 9-12
- Approved posting a vacancy for a full-time custodian starting approximately June 10, 2019.
- Approved continuing to post the following non-certified summer vacancies:
 - Summer Crew (custodial)
 - Summer Crew (technology)
 - Summer Crew (data entry / clerical)
- Approved continuing to post the following vacancies:
 - Substitute Bus Drivers
 - Substitute Kitchen Assistants and Cooks

Roll call vote showed Cassens, Heeren, Heldt, Henze, Preston, Snider, and Sturtevant voting aye.
Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by **Heldt** and seconded by **Heeren** to adjourn at 8:31 p.m.
 Voice vote showed all ayes. **Motion carried.**

These minutes are not official until approved by the Board of Education.

Lorrie Heeren, President

Jennifer Sturtevant, Secretary