

**EASTLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT #308**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**October 15, 2014 6:30 p.m.**  
**William Woessner, Presiding**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Janet Golden, Lorrie Heeren, Karl Henze, Connie Lower, Steven Snider, Jennifer Sturtevant and William Woessner.

**ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:** Mark D. Hansen, Monica Burkholder, Darcie Feltmeyer

**OTHERS PRESENT:** DiAnn Adolph, Brandon Bull

**ADOPTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA:** A motion was made by **Golden** and seconded by **Lower** to approve the agenda as adjusted. Roll call vote showed Golden, Heeren, Henze, Lower, Snider, Sturtevant and Woessner voting aye. **Motion carried.**

**CONSENSUS ITEMS:**

A motion was made by **Golden** and seconded by **Woessner** to accept the consensus items as presented:

- Minutes of the Special Budget Hearing and Regular meeting held on September 17, 2014; Student Disciplinary Hearing held on September 22, 2014 and Strategic Planning Meeting held on October 1, 2014;
- Payment of Accounts Payable for the month of October, 2014;
- Approve the School Treasurer's Report for the month of September, 2014
- 2-Year Lease Agreement with Aero Computing.

Roll call vote showed Golden, Heeren, Henze, Lower, Snider, Sturtevant and Woessner voting aye. **Motion carried.**

**BOARD INPUT:**

Superintendent Hansen shared the following:

- The revised schedule of Board Committee meetings for November - January;
- Tentative plans for Veterans' Day events;
- Board election calendar for April, 2015;
- Veterans' Day activities planned.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- **APPROVAL TO PURCHASE SECURITY ENHANCEMENTS:**

A motion was made by **Henze** and seconded by **Lower** to approve the purchase and installation of BluePoint Technology for the Elementary and Junior/Senior High School for a total contract cost of \$46,286. Roll call vote showed Golden, Heeren, Henze, Lower, Snider, Sturtevant and Woessner voting aye. **Motion carried.**

➤ **APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICIES:**

A motion was made by **Henze** and seconded by **Woessner** to approve revisions to existing Board policies and adoption of new policies presented at the September 17 Regular Meeting. Voice vote showed all ayes. **Motion carried.**

➤ **APPROVAL OF TEACHER EVALUATION PLAN:**

A motion was made by **Heeren** and seconded by **Woessner** to approve the 2014-15 Teacher Evaluation Plan with revisions. Voice vote showed all ayes. **Motion carried.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

➤ **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Superintendent Hansen shared reports from the Transportation and Facilities Committee meetings. No formal recommendations or actions were taken. Also shared was a SEDAC (Smart Energy Design Assistance Center) Energy Assessment and Feasibility Report for Eastland Jr/Sr High School. The plan is to wait for the report on the Elementary School and to meet again with the Facilities Committee to make short and long term recommendations on investments to reduce energy costs long-term.

➤ **APPROVAL OF DISTRICT AUDIT:**

A motion was made by **Golden** and seconded by **Snider** to approve the 2013-2014 Financial Audit prepared by the Benning Group. The audit showed both instructional and operational expenditures per student declining for the second consecutive year. Roll call vote showed Golden, Heeren, Henze, Lower, Snider, Sturtevant and Woessner voting aye. **Motion carried.**

➤ **APPROVAL OF 3-YEAR CONTRACT:**

A motion was made by **Heeren** and seconded by **Lower** to approve a 3-year contract with the **Benning Group, LLC** to perform the financial audits for fiscal years 2015, 2016 and 2017. Roll call vote showed Golden, Heeren, Henze, Lower, Snider, Sturtevant and Woessner voting aye. **Motion carried.**

➤ **SNOW REMOVAL BID:**

A motion was made by **Woessner** and seconded by **Henze** to approve the low bid of **Tim Kaus Seed, Inc.** for snow removal at Eastland Elementary and Eastland Jr/Sr High School for the winter of 2014/15. Roll call vote showed Golden, Heeren, Henze, Lower, Snider, Sturtevant and Woessner voting aye. **Motion carried.**

➤ **ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES:**

A motion was made by **Henze** and seconded by **Lower** to approve the proposal from **Richard L. Johnson Architects** for completion of the district's 10-year Health/Life Safety Review at a cost of .10 cents per square foot. Roll call vote showed Golden, Heeren, Henze, Lower, Snider, Sturtevant and Woessner voting aye. **Motion carried.**

➤ **FIRST QUARTER BUDGET REVIEW:**

Superintendent Hansen presented a 1<sup>st</sup> quarter budget review showing that expenditures in operating funds are below 25% of the money budgeted for the year. He cautioned members that ISBE has recently indicated that categorical payments #3 and #4 from the State may not be realized if the temporary tax increase is allowed to sunset at the end of the year. The Board discussed the need to better educate the public about the 1% Sales Tax and the impact of SB16 on Eastland. Those efforts will start immediately.

➤ **APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL:**

A motion was made by **Golden** and seconded by **Heeren** to approve the following:

- Hire of **Tony Diehl** as full-time custodian beginning on October 29, 2014;
- Continue to post vacancies for Sub Bus Drivers and the position of Spring Play Director

Roll call vote showed Golden, Heeren, Henze, Lower, Snider, Sturtevant and Woessner voting aye. **Motion carried.**

**CLOSED SESSION:**

A motion was made by **Henze** and seconded by **Woessner** to enter into closed session at 7:45 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).
- Self evaluation, practices and procedures or professional ethics, when meeting with a representative of a statewide association of which the public body is a member. 5ILCS 120/2 (c)(13).

Roll call vote showed Golden, Heeren, Henze, Lower, Snider, Sturtevant and Woessner voting aye. **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by **Henze** and seconded by **Snider** to exit closed session at 7:57 p.m. Voice vote showed all ayes. **Motion carried.**

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

A motion was made by **Sturtevant** and seconded by **Woessner** to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. Voice vote showed all ayes. **Motion carried.**

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

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William Woessner, President

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Janet Golden, Secretary