

**EMINENCE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR and BOARD of FINANCE MEETINGS**  
**JANUARY 19, 2023**

The Eminence Community School Corporation Board of Trustees held the regular monthly Public Board Meeting on Thursday, January 19th, in the Junior Senior High School Media Center.

**I. Call To Order and Pledge of Allegiance**

Board President, Andrew Finney, called the meeting to order at 8:07pm and asked everyone to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. Welcome to Visitors**

President Finney welcomed everyone to the meeting. Board members present were President Andrew Finney, Vice President Catherine Stockwell, Jennifer Bales. Secretary Holly Webb and Jeff Saucerman were not in attendance. Also in attendance were Superintendent Wesley Hammond, Corporation Treasurer, Ida Ringler, and one patron. (See attached sign-in sheet.)

**III. Approval of the Agenda**

The board voted to approve the agenda after agreeing to make a change to the Personnel Report by adding Shane Davis as the recommendation to hire for the varsity baseball head coach position. The vote occurred after a motion by Jennifer Bales, seconded by Catherine Stockwell, and passed on a vote of 3-0.

**IV. Board of Finance Meeting**

**A. Motion to Open the Board of Finance Meeting**

The board approved the motion to open the Board of Finance meeting at 7:10 pm with a motion from Jennifer Bales, seconded by Catherine Stockwell, and passed on a vote of 3-0.

**B. Election of President of the Board of Finance**

The board approved the election of the President of the Board of Finance to be Andrew Finney with a motion by Jennifer Bales, seconded by Catherine Stockwell, and passed on a vote of 2-0-1. Andrew Finney abstained.

**C. Election of Secretary of the Board of Finance**

The board approved the election of the Secretary of the Board of Finance to be Holly Webb with a motion by Andrew Finney, seconded by

Jennifer Bales, and passed on a vote of 3-0.

**D. Review of Investment Report**

Mr. Hammond stated there were no investments to be reviewed. No action was taken.

**E. Review of Investment Policy of the School Corporation**

Mr. Hammond reviewed the corporation Investment Policy. No action was taken.

**F. Review of the Financial Condition of the School Corporation**

Mr. Hammond reviewed a written copy of the fiscal and qualitative indicators for the Eminence Community School Corporation while discussing the financial condition of the school corporation. The school corporation is in good financial health. No action was taken.

**G. Motion to Adjourn the Board of Finance Meeting**

The board approved the motion to adjourn the Board of Finance meeting at 7:29 pm with a motion by Jennifer Bales, seconded by Catherine Stockwell, and passed on a vote of 3-0.

**V. Patron Comments**

There were no patron comments.

**VI. Consent Agenda**

- A. Approval of Executive Session Meeting Minutes - December 15, 2022
- B. Approval of Regular Session Meeting Minutes - December 15, 2022
- C. January Claims - In the amount of \$137,743.89
- D. Donations
- E. Resolutions - None

Since Andrew and Sarah Finney had made several donations that were on the Consent Agenda for approval, the board determined that these would be voted on as a separate item. The board approved Consent Agenda items A, B, and C on a motion by Catherine Stockwell, seconded by Jennifer Bales, and passed on a vote of 3-0. The board approved Consent Agenda item E on a motion by Jennifer Bales, seconded by Catherine Stockwell, and passed on a vote of 2-0-1. Andrew Finney abstained.

**VII. Personnel Report**

**Resignations**

- Zach Lashbrook - Varsity Baseball Head Coach
- Rosalie (Cookie) Lorah - School Bus Monitor and Substitute White Bus Driver

**Retirement**

- None

#### Hiring

- Grace Kemp - Elementary Instructional Assistant (\$11.00 per hour)
- Joanna Bagg - Assistant Robotics Coach (\$250)
- David Raisor - Volunteer Assistant Softball Coach
- Jessica McCoy - Middle School Assistant Softball Coach

#### Approval of Transfer

- None

#### Approval to Release Athletic and ECA Stipends

- None

#### Other Personnel Items

- None

#### Information Only

- None

The recommendation to approve the Personnel Report was approved as presented on a motion by Andrew Finney, seconded by Jennifer Bales, and passed on a vote of 3-0.

### VIII. Old Business - None

### VIII. New Business

#### A. **Eminence Elementary School 2021-2022 Data Presentation - No Action Required**

##### 1. **Data Presentation**

##### 2. **EES Analytics Report**

Eminence Elementary School Principal, Dustin Adams, shared information about student performance on state testing and other local assessments. Our students scored higher than the state average, higher than the other Morgan County school districts, and have shown continual growth and improvement on ILEARN and IREAD assessments. Additionally, they have consistently demonstrated growth and improvement on local predictive assessments.

#### B. **Recommendation to Approve Moving to a Block Schedule at the Junior Senior High School**

The board approved the recommendation to move to a block schedule at Eminence Junior Senior High School for the 2023-2024 school year on a motion by Catherine Stockwell, seconded by Jennifer Bales, and passed on a vote of 3-0. Moving to the block schedule will allow more flexibility in both remediation time for junior high students, more elective classes being offered, and more Dual Credit classes being offered.

#### C. **Recommendation to Approve Supplementing Fuel Costs for Contract Bus Owners**

The board approved the recommendation to approve supplementing fuel costs for contract bus owners through the end of February 2023 on a motion by Jennifer Bales, seconded by Catherine Stockwell, and passed on a vote of 2-0-1

with Andrew Finney abstaining.

**D. Recommendation to Approve Opening a Trust Indiana Account**

The board approved the recommendation to open a Trust Indiana Account for investment of corporation funds on a motion by Jennifer Bales, seconded by Catherine Stockwell, and passed on a vote of 3-0.

**E. Other** - Nothing added to the agenda to be acted upon.

**IX. Professional Leave/Field Trips**

**A. Recommendation to Approve Professional Leave Report**

There were no out of state or overnight professional leave requests to be acted upon. The report was provided for informational purposes only.

**B. Recommendation to Approve Field Trip Report**

There were no out of state or overnight field trip requests to be acted upon. The report was provided for informational purposes only.

**X. Monthly ECA Reports**

Information provided for board members to review and no action was required:

- A. ECA Report Elementary (December 2022)
- B. ECA Report JR/SR High - None
- C. ECA Credit Card Report - None

**XI. Corporation Treasurer Report**

- A. BNY Mellon Report - December 2022
- B. Treasurer's Report - December 2022
- C. After Checks Report - December 2022

The board approved the Corporation Treasurer Report on a motion by Andrew Finney, seconded by Catherine Stockwell, and passed on a vote of 3-0.

**XII. Information from the Superintendent**

Information provided for board members to review and no action was required:

- A. Technology Report - None for December 2022
- B. Technology Monthly Summary Report - December 2022
- C. Fundraisers - None
- D. Building Use Requests
- E. Other

**XIII. Comments from Board Members**

Catherine Stockwell mentioned that the assistant baseball coach was approved in August 2022. She also reflected on Mr. Adams' comments regarding the elementary performance data. Also, we need to continue to have conversations on timelines for the various projects the board wants to see completed.


Jennifer Bales thanked Mr. Adams for his report and for reaching out to the state when they miscalculated our scores which listed the elementary as in need of improvement when in fact we should not have been. After reviewing, the state agreed and lifted the

label from the school. She also thanked Mr. Adams and our patron for coming and also those who gave donations to the schools or corporation.

**XIV. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07pm on a motion by Andrew Finney, seconded by Jennifer Bales, and passed on a vote of 3-0.

**The next regularly scheduled school board meeting is February 16, 2023.**

  
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**President Andrew Finney**  
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**Secretary Holly Webb**