

EMINENCE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
APRIL 20, 2023

The Eminence Community School Corporation Board of Trustees held the regular monthly Public Board Meeting on Thursday, April 20th, 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 7:02pm 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, Secretary Holly Webb, Board member Jeremy Clay, and Board member Jeff Saucerman arrived at 7:23pm. Also in attendance were Superintendent Wesley Hammond and Corporation Treasurer, Ida Ringler. There were three patrons present. Two were present for all and one showed up late.(See attached sign-in sheet)

III. Approval of the Agenda

Mr. Hammond requested that the agenda be amended by adding one new item which is to establish a new pay rate amount for the preschool teacher. It would be added under New Business immediately after item A and would become the new item B and is "Recommendation to Approve New Hourly Rate for Preschool Teacher". Additionally, item C, "Recommendation to Reassign Preschool Teacher to Preschool Director." under New Business is removed. The original item B, "Recommendation to Create Preschool Director Position and Establish Pay Rate" will become item C under New Business and will become "Recommendation to Create Preschool Director Position and Post." The board voted to approve the amended agenda on a motion by Holly Webb, seconded by Andrew Finney, with a vote of 4-0.

IV. Patron Comments

Carissa Kemp wanted to thank the board for allowing the elementary staff to go on a retreat to Bradford Woods paid for by the school. It allowed them to have team building activities. They are already looking forward to next year and planning an agenda as well.

V. Consent Agenda

Approval of Minutes

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| A. March 16, 2023 | Executive Session |
| B. March 16, 2023 | Regular Session |
| C. April 11, 2023 | Executive Session |

- D. April 11, 2023 Special Session
- E. February 16, 2023 Corrected Regular Session
- F. April Claims 1 -33 \$94,239.01
- G. First Quarter 2023 Transfers \$19,375.90

The Board approved the minutes, claims, and transfers on the Consent Agenda (items A-G) with a motion from Jeremy Clay, seconded by Catherine Stockwell with a vote of 4-0.

H. Recommendations to Accept Donations

1. Jeff Williams - \$300 to High School Baseball Program
2. Road Sprinkler Fitters - \$300 to Softball Program
3. Karen Myers - \$2100 to Varsity Girls Basketball Program
4. Finney & Sons Construction - \$420 to Varsity Softball Program
5. Veronica Fritsch - \$200 to Wrestling Program

The Board approved the donations on the Consent Agenda with a motion from Holly Webb, seconded by Catherine Stockwell with a vote of 3-0-1 with Andrew Finney abstaining.

I. Resolutions

None

VI. Personnel Report

Resignations

- Frank Stenger - Junior Senior High School Math Teacher

Retirement

- None

Hiring

- Becky Eisenhour - Bus Driver for Out of District Foster Care Student (\$40 per day)

Approval of Transfer

- None

Approval to Release Athletic and ECA Stipends

- None

Other Personnel Items

- None

Information Only

- None

The Board approved the personnel report with a motion from Andrew Finney, seconded by Catherine Stockwell with a vote of 4-0.

VII. Old Business

None

VIII. New Business

- A. Recommendation to Approve Agreement with the Eminence Junior League**
The Board approved the recommendation to approve the agreement with the Eminence Junior League with a motion by Jeremy Clay, seconded by Andrew Finney with a vote of 4-0.
- B. Recommendation to Approve New Hourly Rate for Preschool Teacher**
The recommendation to approve a new hourly pay rate for the preschool teacher was added to the agenda during the approval of the agenda and is now the new item B. The board approved the recommendation to establish a new hourly rate of pay at \$22 per hour for the preschool teacher position with a motion from Holly Webb, seconded by Jeremy Clay with a 4-0 vote.
- C. Recommendation to Create Preschool Director Position and Post**
During the approval of the agenda the **Recommendation to Create Preschool Director Position and Establish Pay Rate** was amended to a **Recommendation to Create Preschool Director Position and Post**. The Board approved the recommendation to create a preschool director position and post with a motion by Andrew Finney, seconded by Holly Webb with a vote of 4-0.
- C. Recommendation to Reassign Preschool Teacher to Preschool Director**
This item was removed from the agenda during the approval of the agenda.
- D. Recommendation to Approve Supplementing Fuel Costs for Contract Bus Owners**
The Board approved the recommendation to supplement fuel costs for the contract bus owners with a motion by Catherine Stockwell, seconded by Holly Webb with a vote of 3-0-1 with Andrew Finney abstaining.
- E. Recommendation to Adopt Resolution to Purchase Used School Bus**
The board approved to adopt the resolution to purchase a used school bus with a motion from Jeremy Clay, seconded by Catherine Stockwell with a 5-0 vote.
- F. Recommendation to Approve Out of District Transfer Request Date**
The Board approved the recommendation to approve the out of district transfer request date with a motion from Catherine Stockwell, seconded by Andrew Finney with a 5-0 vote.
- G. Recommendation to Approve Elementary School Student Handbook**
 - 1. Elementary School Student Handbook**
The Board made a motion to approve the recommendation by Jeremy Clay, seconded by Jeff Saucerman. Discussion was made by Board members. The Board would like some clarification on a few things. Two of which are the dress code and the discipline ladder. The Board made a motion to table the recommendation to approve the elementary school student handbook on a motion by Jeff Saucerman, seconded by Catherine Stockwell with a 5-0 vote.
- H. Other**
None

IX. Professional Leave/Field Trips

- A. Recommendation to Approve Professional Leave Report**
There were no out of state or overnight professional leave requests that required board approval. The report was provided for informational purposes only.

B. Recommendation to Approve Field Trip Report

There were no out of state or overnight field trips that required board approval. 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 - March 2023
- B. ECA Report Jr/Sr - March 2023
- C. ECA Credit Card Report - March 2023

XI. Corporation Treasurer Report

- A. BNY Mellon Report - March 2023
- B. Treasurer's Report - February 2023
- C. Treasurer's Report - March 2023
- D. After Checks Report - February 2023
- E. After Checks Report - March 2023

The Board made a motion to approve items A - E with a motion to approve from Catherine Stockwell, seconded by Jeff Saucerman and passed with a 5-0 vote.

XII. Information From The Superintendent

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

- A. Technology Report - March 2023
- B. Technology Monthly Summary Report - March 2023
- C. Fundraisers - None
- D. Building Use Requests - None
- E. Junior Senior High School Code of Conduct
- F. Other - None

XIII. Comments From Board Members

Jeremy Clay - None

Holly Webb - None

Catherine Stockwell - Commented that the board had a good discussion on our sports programs. Also asked about having an engineer look at the 1931 building.

Andrew Finney - Thanked Susan Shupe and Ida Ringler for getting us on the track and caught up with the financials. He also thanked the Junior League for working with us on an agreement.

Jeff Saucerman - Attended the Alumni Banquet. Suggested that it would be nice for the school to be more involved with the Alumni Association. Also it was suggested by Catherine Stockwell to have the superintendent show up and provide an update on new and upcoming events going on within the school.

XIV. Adjournment

The Board approved adjourning the meeting at 7:52 pm with a motion from Jeff Saucerman, seconded by Holly Webb and passed with a 5-0 vote.

The next regularly scheduled school board meeting is May 18, 2023.

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President Andrew Finney


A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Holly Webb', written over a horizontal line.

Secretary Holly Webb

EMINENCE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE SESSION SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

APRIL 20, 2023

The Eminence Community School Corporation Board of Trustees held an Executive Session on April 20, 2023. School Board President, Andrew Finney, called the meeting to order at 8:03pm. The board discussed the advertised item, "To discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees. This subdivision does not apply to a discussion of the salary, compensation, or benefits of employees during a budget process" I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(9). Board members present were President Andrew Finney, Vice President Catherine Stockwell, Secretary Holly Webb, Jeff Saucerman, and Jeremy Clay. The board hereby certifies that no other subject matter was discussed other than the subject matter in the public notice. With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm.



President Andrew Finney

Secretary Holly Webb