# EMINENCE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING June 15, 2023

The Eminence Community School Corporation Board of Trustees held the regular monthly Public Board Meeting on Thursday, June 15th, 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 7:05pm 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, and Board member Jeremy Clay. Board member Jeff Saucerman was not in attendance. Also in attendance were Superintendent Wesley Hammond and Corporation Treasurer, Ida Ringler. There were three patrons present. (See attached sign-in sheet)

#### III. Approval of the Agenda

After taking Taylor Lacher out of the personnel report, the board voted to approve the amended agenda on a motion by Jeremy Clay, seconded by Holly Webb, with a vote of 4-0.

#### IV. <u>Patron Comments</u>

#### A. Public Comment on Revised COVID-19 Health and Safety Plan

The board opened the floor to take any comment on the revised COVID-19 Health and Safety Plan that was posted on the school corporation website. There was no public comment.

Veronica Fritsch expressed that middle school is ready and excited for next year after attending the last three days of professional development. They are wanting to bring back three week rewards, along with still keeping the nine week rewards. The middle school teachers along with the students have discussed doing a middle school yearbook as well. Lastly, Veronica would like to see the anonymous tip line be brought back to report such things as bullying. Kris Feutz also had praise in regards to the professional days that principal Vicki Winslow had put on. She stated, "It was refreshing." She wanted to add that even though there may have been some negative statements being said through the "grapevine" in the community, most of that is inaccuracies. Mrs. Feutz followed up by stating that the last three days of professional development were the most productive she had been in a long time.

#### V. Consent Agenda

Approval of Minutes
A. May 18, 2023

**Regular Session** 

B. May 18, 2023 Executive Session

**C.** May 2023 Claims in the amount of \$76,838.96

- D. Donations
  - 1. Quality Fiber Solutions 100.00 to Varsity Softball
  - 2. Richard and Amy Henderson 500.00 to Varsity Softball

#### E. Resolutions

- 1. Authorizing Transfer of Appropriations
- 2. Construction and Architecture

The Board approved the Consent Agenda, items A - E, with a motion from Catherine Stockwell, seconded by Andrew Finney with a vote of 4-0.

#### VI. Personnel Report

#### Resignations

- Doug Bagg Middle School Robotics Teacher and STEM Cadre Coach
- Gregory Burton Junior Senior High School Math Teacher
- Grace Kemp Elementary Instructional Assistant
- Kevin Bradshaw Varsity Boys Basketball Coach
- Morgan Neal Middle School Basketball Coach

#### Retirement

None

#### Hiring

- Gregory Barry Junior Senior High English/Arts Teacher(50,900.00)
- Joshua Heavrin K-12 Physical Education Teacher (45,00.00)
- Kye Barrett Junior Senior High School Business Teacher(41,000.00)
- Audrey McClanahan Junior Senior High School Mathematics Teacher (41,000.00)
- Leesha Craig Special Needs Bus Route Driver(daily rate to be determined)
- Madison Welton Middle School Head Volleyball Coach(750.00)
- Josh Heavrin Assistant Varsity Soccer Coach(volunteer)
- Kye Barrett Assistant Cross Country Coach(volunteer)
- Kye Barrett Summer Weights Stipend(400.00)
- Josh Heavrin Summer Weights Assistant(volunteer)
- Daniel Kelsey Assistant Summer Boys Basketball Coach(volunteer)
- Jeffrey Brewer Seasonal Custodial Position(8.00hr)(Reapproval original approval for same position was on 05/19/2022)

#### Approval of Transfer

None

#### Other Personnel Items

 Riesha Dittemore - approve pay for days worked in seasonal custodial position (8.00hr.) After discussion from Andrew Finney stating he would like to thank Doug Bagg for a fantastic job on robotics and STEM, The Board approved the recommendation of the Personnel Report with a motion by Holly Webb seconded by Catherine Stockwell with a vote of 4-0.

#### VII. Old Business

#### A. Recommendation to Approve Athletic Handbook

Mr. Hammond discussed that the handbook is consistent with middle school requirements and the academic requirements now reflect the new block schedule the school is moving to in 2023-2024. Also, Athletic Director Shane Davis ran it by the IHSAA. The Board approved the recommendation of the Athletic Handbook with a motion by Jeremy Clay, seconded by Holly Webb with a vote of 4-0.

#### VIII. New Business

#### A. Recommendation to Approve Financial Software Upgrade

The Board approved the recommendation of the Financial Software Upgrade with a motion by Holly Webb, seconded by Jeremy Clay with a vote of 4-0. The decision was to approve the Software Systems Financial Accounting Program quote.

#### B. Recommendation to Approve Revised COVID-19 Health and Safety Plan

The Board approved the recommendation to approve the Revised COVID-19 Health and Safety Plan with a motion by Catherine Stockwell, seconded by Holly Webb with a vote of 4-0.

#### C. Recommendation to Approve Elevate K-12 Agreement

The Board approved the recommendation of the Elevate K-12 Agreement with a motion by Jeremy Clay, seconded by Catherine Stockwell with a vote of 4-0.

D. Request Permission to Establish Grade Level Capacities for the 2023-2024 School Year The Board approved to Establish Grade Level Capacities as presented for the 2023-2024 School Year with a motion by Jeremy Clay, seconded by Andrew Finney with a vote of 4-0.

#### E. Recommendation to Apply for Local, State, and Federal Grants

The Board approved the recommendation to approve applying for local, state, and federal grants with a motion by Catherine Stockwell, seconded by Holly Webb with a vote of 4-0.

#### F. Recommendation to Approve to Advertise for Propane Bids

The board approved the recommendation to advertise for propane bids with a motion by Andrew Finney, seconded by Catherine Stockwell with a vote of 4-0.

G. Recommendation to Approve Adjustments to Special Needs Bus Driver Daily Pay Rates
The Board approved the recommendation of the adjustments to the special needs bus

driver daily pay rates with a motion by Catherine Stockwell, seconded by Holly Webb with a vote of 4-0.

#### H. Recommendation to Approve Education Advanced, Inc. Agreement

The board approved the recommendation to approve the Education Advanced, Inc. Agreement with a motion by Jeremy Clay, seconded by Holly Webbb with a vote of 4-0.

### I. Recommendation to Approve Dual Credit Memorandum of Understanding with Ivy Tech

The board approved the recommendation to approve the Dual Credit Memorandum of Understanding with Ivy Tech with a motion by Holly Webb, seconded by Catherine Stockwell with a vote of 4-0. Catherine Stockwell stated this will be great for Eminence Community Schools.

#### J. Recommendation to Purchase Used School Buses

The board approved the recommendation to approve one school bus to be purchased with a motion from Catherine Stockwell, seconded by Jeremy Clay with a vote of 4-0.

#### K. Recommendation to Dispose of School Buses

The board approved the recommendation to dispose of used school buses with a motion by Catherine Stockwell, seconded by Holly Webb with a vote of 4-0.

#### L. Recommendation to Advertise Superintendent's Contract

The board approved the recommendation to advertise the superintendent's contact with a motion by Jeremy Clay, seconded by Catherine Stockwell with a vote of 4-0.

#### 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 May 2023
- B. ECA Report Jr/Sr May 2023
- C. ECA Credit Card Report May 2023
  - 1. Elementary
  - 2. Jr/Sr High

#### XI. Corporation Treasurer Report

A. BNY Mellon Report - May 2023

- B. Treasurer's Report May 2023
- C. After Checks Report May 2023

The Board made a motion to approve items A - C with a motion to approve from Andrew Finney, seconded by Catherine Stockwell and passed with a 4-0 vote.

#### XII. Information From The Superintendent

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

- A. Technology Report May 2023
- B. Technology Monthly Summary Report May 2023
- C. Fundraisers None
- **D.** Building Use Requests Will get the certificate of insurance from the Dust Bowl which will be held on July 22, 2023.
- E. Update on Building Needs and Projects None
- F. Other None

#### XIII. Comments From Board Members

Jeremy Clay did not have any comments at this time. Holly Webb wanted to echo the appreciation of Doug Bagg with robotics and STEM. Holly also added how well the girls basketball team is doing in their summer season. Catherine Stockwell is excited about the report given earlier in the patron comments from Mrs. Fritsch and Mrs. Feutz from their professional development earlier in the week. Andrew Finney would like to piggyback on the positivity given from Mrs. Fritsch and Mrs. Feutz about the new year coming up and the great ideas. Thank you again to Mr. Bagg for all he did with robotics and STEM. To Morgan Neal, thank you for all your hard work with the middle school girls basketball team and good luck in your future coaching at MHS. Last but not least thanks to Mr. Bales for making the outdoor facilities look good.

#### XIV. Adjournment

The Board approved adjourning the meeting at 8:00 pm with a motion from Holly Webb, seconded by Jeremy Clay and passed with a 4-0 vote.

The next regularly scheduled school board meeting is July 20, 2023.

**President Andrew Finney** 

Secretary Holly Webb

## EMINENCE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE SESSION SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

#### **JUNE 15, 2023**

The Eminence Community School Corporation Board of Trustees held an Executive Session on June 15, 2023. School Board President, Andrew Finney, called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. 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, and Jeremy Clay. Board member Jeff Saucerman was not present for the meeting. 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 7:00pm.

**President Andrew Finney** 

Secretary Holly Webb