

EMINENCE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MAY 16, 2024

The Eminence Community School Corporation Board of Trustees held the regular monthly Public Board Meeting on Thursday, May 16th, 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 7:00 pm 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 Jason Mayes and Board member Jeremy Clay. Also in attendance were Superintendent Wesley Hammond, Corporation Treasurer, Ida Ringler, and Administrative Assistant Susan Shupe. There was one patron present.(See attached sign-in sheet).

III. Approval of the Agenda

After removing item "J" of the agenda, the Board voted to approve the agenda with a motion by Jeremy Clay, seconded by Catherine Stockwell, with a vote of 5-0.

IV. Public Lease Hearing on the Proposed Third Amendment To Lease Agreement

The Board approved to open the meeting at 7:02pm on the Proposed Lease Agreement with a motion by Holly Webb, seconded by Catherine Stockwell by a vote of 5-0. Public comment from Chet Cromer, asking if it is common for a school of our size to be in debt. Mr. Hammond replied saying yes it is common. The Board voted to close the meeting at 7:12pm with a motion by Jeremy Clay, seconded by Catherine Stockwell with a vote of 5-0.

V. Patron Comments

Chet Cromer, I shared some of these with Ms. Winslow and Mr. Hammond. Mr. Cromer just stated these as things that I care about.

1. Would like to see the ASVAB stay in the school
2. Seems that discipline is a struggle with teachers and getting the administrators to back them.
3. Would like to see weighted scores brought into our school. Feels it would be an extra incentive to students to challenge themselves.

VI. Motion to Adopt the Resolution Authorizing the Execution of the Third Amendment to Lease

The Board approved the adoption of the resolution authorizing the execution of the third amendment to lease with a motion by Jeremy Clay, seconded by Andrew Finney with 5-0 vote.

VII. Motion to Adopt the Resolution Assigning Construction bids to the Building Corporation

The Board approved to adopt the resolution assigning construction bids to the Building Corporation with a motion by Holly Webb, seconded by Andrew Finney with a 5-0 vote.

VIII. Motion to Adopt the Resolution Approving the Master Continuing Disclosure Undertaking

The Board approved to adopt the resolution approving the Master Continuing Disclosure Undertaking with a motion by Jason Mayes, seconded by Jeremy Clay with a vote of 5-0.

IX. Motion to Adopt Resolution Approving the Amended and Restated Post Issuance Compliance Procedures

The Board approved the adoption of the resolution approving the amended and restated post issuance compliance with a motion by Holly Webb, seconded by Catherine Stockwell with a vote of 5-0.

X. Consent Agenda

Approval of Minutes

A. April 18, 2024 - Regular session

B. May Claims - in the amount of \$73,995.59

C. Donations

1. Jason and Mindy Mayes - Photography - Class of 2024(\$400.00)
2. West Central Softball League - Track and Field Program(\$100)
3. Chet Cromer - Stadium seat sales - Senior Class(\$90)
4. Tabetha Bales - Senior Class(\$50)
5. Sarah Finney - Class of 2027(\$3,250.00)
6. Elementary parent/grandparents - Band/Music - instrument repairs, Field trips, New music(\$120.00)

The Board approved the consent agenda item "A" with a motion by Jeremy Clay, seconded by Holly Webb with a vote of 4-0-1(Jason Mayes abstained). The Board approved the consent agenda item "B" with a motion from Catherine Stockwell, seconded by Jason Mayes with a vote of 5-0. The Board approved item "E" with a motion to approve by Holly Webb, seconded by Catherine Stockwell with a vote of 3-0-2(Jason Mayes and Andrew Finney abstained).

XI. PERSONNEL REPORT

Resignations

- Sedrick Weinschenk - Junior Senior High School Science Teacher
- Julie Collenbaugh - Junior Senior High School Instructional Assistant
- Sedrick Weinschenk - Varsity Soccer Head Coach(\$2700.00)
- Karen Myers - Assistant Varsity Girls Basketball coach(\$2400.00)
- Madison Welton - Head Middle School Volleyball Coach(\$1,000.00)
- Madison Welton - Head Middle School Cheerleading Coach(\$1000.00)

Hiring

- Victoria Hauser - Special Education Teacher
- Jessica Casteel - Elementary Yearbook Sponsor(\$600.00)
- Matthew Seifers - Varsity Girls Basketball Head Coach(\$4480.00)
- Matthew Frone - Strength and Conditioning Summer Intern from Grace College(Volunteer)

Approval to Release Athletic and ECA Stipends

- Jessica Casteel - Elementary Yearbook Sponsor(\$600.00)
- Dustin Adams - Grants Coordinator(\$3000.00 paid from Title I grant)
- Shannon Fields - Corporation Testing Coordinator(\$2500.00)

Permission to Post

- English Language Arts - Junior Senior High School
- Math - Junior Senior High School
- Band/Music - Elementary and Junior Senior High School
- Science - Junior Senior High School
- English Language Arts- long term substitute for maternity leave - Junior Senior High School
- Instructional Assistant - Junior Senior High School

The Board approved the personnel report with a motion by Holly Webb, seconded by Andrew Finney with a vote of 5-0.

XII. New Business

A. Recommendation to Approve Boiler Replacement Project

The Board approved the boiler replacement project with a motion by Jason Mayes, seconded by Catherine Stockwell with a vote of 5-0.

B. Recommendation to Approve Elementary School Student Handbook

The Board approved the elementary school student handbook with a motion by Holly Webb, seconded by Jeremy Clay with a vote of 5-0.

C. Recommendation to Approve Elementary School Curriculum Materials

The Board approved the recommendation to approve the elementary school curriculum materials with a motion from Jason Mayes, seconded by Catherine Stockwell with a 5-0 vote.

- D. Recommendation to Approve Elementary Virtual Summer Reading Foundations**
The Board approved the elementary school virtual summer reading program foundations with a motion from Holly Webb, seconded by Andrew Finney by a vote of 5-0. Catherine Stockwell suggested looking into the Barnes and Noble program and tie into this program.
- E. Recommendation to Approve YMCA Summer Program**
The Board approved the YMCA Summer Program with a motion by Jeremy Clay, seconded by Jason Mayes with a vote of 5-0.
- F. Recommendation to Approve Addition of Special Needs Bus Route**
The Board approved the addition of the special needs bus route with a motion by Jeremy Clay, seconded by Andrew Finney with a 5-0 vote.
- G. Recommendation to Approve Increase to Area 30 Route Rate of Pay**
The Board approve the increase to the Area 30 route rate with a motion from Holly Webb, seconded by Jason Mayes with a vote of 5-0.
- H. Recommendation to approve Changes to Non-Certified Staff Pay Scale**
The Board did not approve the changes to the Non-Certified pay scale with a motion by Holly Webb, seconded by Catherine Stockwell with a vote of 0-4-1(Jason Mayes abstained). Holly Webb did not agree with the rate increase to the preschool teacher. Catherine Stockwell and Andrew Finney expressed their concern for expectations. Andrew Finney noted that the preschool teacher does a fantastic job.
- I. Second Reading of Revised School Board Policies/Bylaws**
1. Po1216 -Dress and Grooming
 2. Po2221 -Mandatory Curriculum
 3. Po2260 -Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Educational Opportunity
 4. Po2370.02 -Flex Program
 5. Po2600 -School Accountability
 6. Po3216 -Staff Dress and Grooming
 7. Po4216 -Support Staff Dress and Grooming
 8. Po5111 -Determination of Legal Settlement and Eligibility for Enrollment of Students without Legal Settlement in the Corporation; Proof of Indiana Residency
 9. Po5340.01 -Student Concussions and Sudden Cardiac Arrest
 10. Po5460 -Graduation Requirements
 11. Po5511 -Dress and Grooming
 12. Po6110 -Grant Funds
 13. Po6114 -Cost Principles - Spending Federal Funds
 14. Po6325 -Procurement - Federal Grants/Funds

15. Po8330 -Student Records
16. Po8450.01 -Protective Facial Coverings During Pandemic/Epidemic Events
17. Po8500 - Food Service Program
18. Po9150 -School Visitors
19. Po0131.1 - Bylaws and Policies
20. Po1521 - Personal Background Checks, References, and Mandatory Reporting of Convictions and Substantiated Child Abuse and Arrests
21. Po2431 - Interscholastic Athletics
22. Po2432 - Grievance Procedure for Violation of State Law Limiting Participation of Transgender Girls in Athletics
23. Po2435 - Driver Education (Optional Policy)
24. Po2464 - Programs for High Ability Students
25. Po3120.02 - Adjunct Teachers
26. Po3120.11 - Public Hearing Before Commencement of Collective Bargaining and Public Meeting Before Ratification of Tentative Agreement
27. Po3121 - Personal Background Checks, References, and Mandatory Reporting of Convictions and Substantiated Child Abuse and Arrests
28. Po3220.02 - Supplemental Payments for Teachers
29. Po4121 - Personal Background Checks, References, and Mandatory Reporting of Convictions and Substantiated Child Abuse and Arrests
30. Po5420 - Reporting Student Progress
31. Po5610 - Suspension and Expulsion of Students
32. Po8120 - Volunteers
33. Po8121 - Personal Background Check - Contracted Services
34. Po8210 - School Calendar
35. Po8220 - School Day
36. Po8400 - School Safety
37. Po8600 - Transportation

XIV. Monthly ECA Reports

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

- A. Elementary - April 2024
- B. Jr/Sr High - April 2024
- C. ECA Credit Card Report - April 2024

XV. Corporation Treasurer Report

A. BNY Mellon Report - April 2024

The Board made a motion to approve item A with a motion to approve from Jeremy Clay seconded by Catherine Stockwell and passed with a 5-0 vote.

XVI. Information From The Superintendent

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

- A. Technology Report - April 2024**
- B. Technology Monthly Summary Report - april 2024**
- C. Eminence Junior Senior High School Athletic Handbook**
- D. Addition of Elementary Sports for GIAC Participation**
- E. Building Use/Facilities Requests**


XIII. Comments From Board Members

Jason Mayes thanked the new board members of the building corporation. He would like to see some research done on the weighted scale and know more about the pros and cons of it. Holly Webb would like to make everyone aware of the groundbreaking on May 20, 2024 for the new kindergarten and preschool playground. She also would like to congratulate the seniors. Catherine Stockwell would also like to thank the building corporation members and to reminder of graduation. She also would like to see summer projects for the maintenance director for the school. Andrew Finney would like to congratulate the Varsity softball team and middle school softball for a great season. Gook Luck at sectionals. Jeremy Clay added a thank you to our building corporation board.


XIV. Adjournment

The Board approved adjourning the meeting at 8:22 pm with a motion from Holly Webb, seconded by Catherine Stockwell and passed with a 5-0 vote.

The next regularly scheduled school board meeting is Thursday, June 20, 2024.



President Andrew Finney



Secretary Holly Webb