

**ELLSWORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL  
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
School Library  
Ellsworth, Minnesota  
Wednesday, June 21, 2023  
6:00 p.m.**

1. Call to order and roll call.
2. Approve meeting agenda.
3. Approval of minutes of the regular school board meeting on May 15, 2023
4. Review of student activity fund
5. Becca Dreesen - Robotics Information
6. Administrative Reports
  - 6.1 Principal
    - a. Staffing
    - b.
    - c.
  - 6.2 Superintendent
    - a. Federal Grant
    - b.
7. Financial Reports
  - 7.1 Cash Flow/Budget Report
8. Action Items:
  - 8.1 Consider/approve monthly bills
  - 8.2 Open bids for fuel oil
  - 8.3 Approve 23-24 Budget
  - 8.4 Call for bids - milk
  - 8.5 Transportation
  - 8.6 MREA Membership
  - 8.7 EMC Insurance
  - 8.8 Second Reading of these policies: 503 (Student attendance), 504 (Student dress & appearance), 505 (Distribution of nonschool-sponsored materials on school premises by students & employees), 507 (Corporal Punishment), 508 (Extended school year for certain students with IEP's), 509 (Enrollment of nonresident students), 510 (School activities); 511 (Student fundraising)
  - 8.9 First Reading of these policies: 512 (School sponsored student publications and activities), 513 (Student promotion, retention and program design), 517 (Student Recruiting), 518

(DNR-DNI orders), 519 (Interviews of students by outside agencies), 523 (Policies incorporated by reference), 525 (Violence prevention), 527 (Student use and parking of motor vehicles; patrols, inspections, and searches)

8.10 Personnel

- a.
- b.

8.11 Donations

- a. Nobles Cooperative Electric - \$2,140 - backpack & snack program
- b.

9. Buildings & Grounds:

- a.

10. Adjournment

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Monday, May 15, 2023**

The regular meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ryan Heikes at 6:00 p.m. A roll call revealed all members present. The Board of Education opened the meeting by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Staff present: Amy Labat, Dave Ackerman, Darcey Groen, Hanna Walters & Jen Huisman.

Visitors present: None

A motion was made by Lynn and seconded by Jenniges to approve the meeting agenda with one addition. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Harms and seconded by Lynn to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 17, 2023. Motion carried.

The Board of Education reviewed the Student Activity Fund.

Lisa Lynn reported on these items for EPTO: will set calendar dates for 2023-2024 at the August meeting, plan to do more community events next year, will have an ice cream event on May 25, will be doing the preschool bags again, and next meeting is August 22.

Ms. Labat's report included information on student count, prom went well, spring concerts went well, Robotics information, MCA testing, summer preschool program, graduation is on May 26, information on upcoming field trips, All School fair will be May 22, & legislative updates.

Mr. Ackerman's report included information on bus transportation, lunchtime solutions, next year's employment status, scheduling information & presented an insurance renewal quote. Mr. Ackerman also recognized the teachers for Teacher Appreciation week.

Darcey Groen presented the Treasurer's Report and monthly budget information. A motion was made by Buntjer and seconded by Harms to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Darcey Groen presented two additional bills. A motion was made by Lefdal and seconded by Buntjer to approve the bills with the two additions. Motion carried.

Mr. Ackerman suggested changing the date of the June school board meeting as it falls on a legal holiday. A motion was made by Jenniges and seconded by Lynn to change the school board meeting to June 21 at 6:00 pm. Motion carried.

Mr. Ackerman requested approval for the call for bids for fuel oil for the 2023-2024 school year. A motion was made by Lefdal and seconded by Lynn to call for bids for fuel oil for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion carried.

Mr. Ackerman presented a resolution for membership in the MSHSL for the 2023-2024 school year. A motion was made by Harms and seconded by Jenniges to approve the membership in the MSHSL for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion carried.

Mr. Ackerman presented the Education Identity and Access Management Board Resolution. A motion was made by Jenniges and seconded by Lefdal to approve the Education Identity and Access Management Board Resolution and to approve Robert Routh as the IOwA. Motion carried.

Mr. Ackerman presented the Health Insurance renewal for the 2023-2024 school year. A motion was made by Harms and seconded by Buntjer to approve the Health Insurance renewal for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion carried.

Ms. Labat presented the second reading of the following policies: 601: School district curriculum & instruction goals, 603: Curriculum development, 612.1: Development of parent & family engagement policies for Title I programs, 616: School District system accountability, 620: Credit for learning, 709: Student transportation safety policy, 721: Uniform grant guidance policy regarding federal revenue sources, 903: Visitors to school building & sites, & 613: Graduation requirements. A motion was made by Buntjer and seconded by Harms to approve the first reading of these policies. Motion carried.

Ms. Labat presented the first reading of the following policies: 503: Student attendance, 504: Student dress and appearance, 505: Distribution of nonschool-sponsored materials on school premises by students and employees, 507: Corporal punishment, 508: Extended school year for certain students with IEP's, 509: Enrollment of nonresident students; 510: School activities, and 511: Student fundraising. A motion was made by Buntjer and seconded by Harms to approve the first reading of these policies. Motion carried.

Ms. Labat presented resignations submitted by the following staff: Paul Berg - 5th grade instructor, Kathy Hawes - Special Education instructor, & Mike Palm - Math instructor. A motion was made by Buntjer and seconded by Lynn to accept these resignations. Motion carried.

Ms. Labat presented a contract with Chisyl Porter as Music & ESL Instructor and a contract with Nathaniel Warwick as classroom instructor. A motion was made by Lefdal and seconded by Harms to approve the contracts as presented. Motion carried.

Ms. Labat presented the Paraprofessional contracts for the 2023-2024 school year. A motion was made by Lefdal and seconded by Buntjer to approve the contracts as presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Ackerman presented donations from the following:

\$150 - Community Club for the Book Club

\$500 - Community Club for the Skyzone trip

\$3,000 - Lyon County Riverboat Foundation - 3D printer & science equipment

A motion was made by Lefdal and seconded by Lynn to accept the donations. Motion carried.

Mr. Ackerman presented these items for buildings & grounds: Summer projects: concrete repair, carpet, bathrooms, second story south wall, gym floor trim & shot clocks.

There being no further business Chairperson Ryan Heikes called for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Jenniges and seconded by Lefdal to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Ellsworth District 514 School Board Clerk