

**ELLSWORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
School Library
Ellsworth, Minnesota
Monday, May 15, 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 April 17, 2023.
4. Review of student activity fund
5. EPTO Report
6. Administrative Reports
 - 6.1 Principal
 - a. Student Count
 - b. Graduation
 - c.
 - 6.2 Superintendent
 - a. Bus transportation information
 - b. Lunchtime Solutions
 - c. Next years employment status
7. Financial Reports
 - 7.1 Cash Flow/Budget Report
8. Action Items:
 - 8.1 Consider/approve monthly bills
 - 8.2 June Board Meeting date - falls on a holiday
 - 8.3 Call for Fuel Bids ???
 - 8.4 Resolution for membership in MSHSL
 - 8.5 Education Identity & Access Management
 - 8.6 Health Insurance renewal
 - 8.7 Second Reading of these 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 and sites), & 613 (Graduation requirements).

8.8 First 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 Personnel

- a. Resignations - Paul Berg, 5th grade teacher
Kathy Hawes - Elem. Sp Ed teacher
- b. Contract - Chisyl Porter - Music & ESL teacher
Contract - Nathaniel Warwick - Teacher
- c. Para Contracts

8.10 Donations

- a. \$150.00 - Community Club - Book Club
- b. \$500.00 - Community Club - Skyzone trip
- c. \$3,000 - Lyon County Riverboat Foundation

9. Buildings & Grounds: Summer projects: concrete, carpet, bathrooms, 2nd story south wall, gym floor trim, shot clocks,

10. Adjournment

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The organizational 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, Christine Lovett, & Dave Dobernecker.

Visitors present: Robert Routh

A motion was made by Buntjer and seconded by Jenniges to approve the meeting agenda with two additions. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Lynn and seconded by Buntjer to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 20, 2023 and the minutes from the special meeting held on March 2, 2023.. Motion carried.

The Board of Education reviewed the Student Activity Fund.

Lisa Lynn reported on these items for EPTO: Grandparent's Day went well, the meal for fireman's bingo went well, served rolls for students for testing, will hold an end of the year ice cream party & next meeting will be May 10.

Ms. Labat's report included information on student count, summer preschool grant, music concerts, parent-teacher conferences, high school reward trip to Skyzone, PreK-2 field trip to circus, prom, elementary reward trip, graduation will be May 26, testing information, chess club, book club, robotics team, E-gaming club, & legislative information. Ms. Labat also thanked the EPTO for organizing the Grandparents Day event.

Mr. Ackerman's report included information on the HVAC grant, bus routes, capital outlay levy, health insurance and lunchtime solutions.

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

A motion was made by Jenniges and seconded by Buntjer to approve the bills. Motion carried.

Mr. Ackerman opened the bids for mowing of the football field, A motion was made by Buntjer and seconded by Lefdal to accept the bid submitted by Daniel Kramer for \$90/acre. Motion carried.

Mr. Ackerman presented three different options for Schomaker's cleaning service for the 2023-2024 school year. A motion was made by Buntjer and seconded by Harms to accept the second option and contract until December 31, 2023. Motion carried.

Ms. Labat presented the two options for the 2023-2024 district calendar. A motion was made by Jenniges and seconded by Lefdal to approve calendar #1. Motion carried.

Ms. Labat presented handbook language on credits. She proposed raising the credit minimum from 22 to 24 credits. A motion was made by Harms and seconded by Jenniges to approve the handbook language as presented. Motion carried.

Ms. Labat presented information on the snow make up days. A motion was made by Jenniges and seconded by Lynn to hold the last day of school on May 26 dismissing the students at noon. Motion carried.

Ms. Labat presented information on a trip for students to Europe in June 2024. A motion was made by Lynn and seconded by Buntjer to approve the trip to Europe. Motion carried.

Ms. Labat presented contracts for the teaching staff for the 2023-2024 school year. A motion was made by Jenniges and seconded by Lynn to approve the contracts for the teaching staff. Motion carried.

Ms. Labat presented the second reading of the following policies: 521: Student disability nondiscrimination, 522: Title IX sex nondiscrimination policy, 524: Internet acceptable use & safety policy, 526: Hazing prohibition, 531: The Pledge of Allegiance, 532: Use of peace officers & crisis teams, 533: Wellness, & 534: School meals policy. A motion was made by Buntjer and seconded by Lefdal to approve the second reading of these policies. Motion carried.

Ms. Labat presented the first 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 a contract with Summer Blomgren as Art Instructor for the 2023-2024 school year. A motion was made by Lefdal and seconded by Harms to approve the contract as presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Ackerman presented donations from the following:

\$100 - EPTO for purchase of notebooks, folders, pencils, etc.

\$300 - EPTO for the Skyzone trip

A motion was made by Lefdal and seconded by Jenniges to approve the donations. Motion carried.

Mr. Ackerman presented these items for buildings & grounds: black edging around the gym floor needs to be replaced or repaired.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Ellsworth District 514 School Board Clerk