

EVART PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes  
November 11, 2019  
7:00 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY BENGRY AT 7:00 PM IN THE BOARDROOM LOCATED AT 321 NORTH HEMLOCK STREET, EVART, MICHIGAN 49631.

The Board observed a moment of silence.

II. ROLL CALL

Alan Bengry x, Ryan Hopkins x, Rosie McKinstry x, Kelly Millen x, Gerald Nichols x, Karen Pylman x, Kelly Whitman x.

Also present: Shirley Howard, Superintendent  
Jessica Kolenda, High School Principal  
Jason O'Dell, Middle School Principal  
Debra Eisenga, Recording Secretary

Guests:

Larry Lauman, Lukas Schwab, Reese Ransom, Danny Witbeck, Scott Hunter, Sherry Morgan, Kaylee Smith, Cadence Lawrence, Haidyn Simmer, Brayden Cass, Donovan Balowski, Livia Hopkins, Gracie Dieson, Kyleigh Burhans, Mackenzi VanBuren, Rose Clark, Kara Henry, Steven Peterson.

III. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS/RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

- A. Scott Hunter went over the 2018-19 audit.
- B. Larry Lauman spoke about the Veteran's Day assembly and how much it was appreciated.
- C. Points of Pride – Jessica Kolenda
  - Fall Career Day was a half day in-house.
  - Professional Development was how to dig deeper into the data. It was well received and great participation.
  - Veteran's Day Assembly – fantastic assembly! Can be viewed on Evart High School's Facebook page.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

V. FINANCIAL

VI. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Recommendation to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held October 14, 2019 and the special meeting held October 28, 2019.

MOVED BY MCKINSTRY, SUPPORTED BY MILLEN TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD OCTOBER 14, 2019 AND THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD OCTOBER 28, 2019.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Results: Carried

B. Payment of Bills

MOVED BY NICHOLS, SUPPORTED BY WHITMAN THAT THE TREASURER'S REPORT OF DISBURSEMENTS BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

General Fund invoices be approved for checks #44351 through #44459 in the amount of \$192,123.76 and the September 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> payrolls and benefits in the amount of \$442,462.92.

Hot Lunch Fund invoices to be approved for checks #6868 through #6877 in the amount of \$45,493.35.

Trust and Agency Fund invoices to be approved for checks #17619 through #17633 in the amount of \$8,467.79.

Athletic Fund invoices to be approved for checks #9242 through #9253 in the amount of \$11,555.36.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Results: Carried

C. First Reading of Board Policies 2112, 2260, 2261.

D. Recommendation to accept the resignation of Summer Linder, Elementary Educational Assistant, effective November 8, 2019.

MOVED BY MILLEN, SUPPORTED BY WHITMAN TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF SUMMER LINDER, ELEMENTARY EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANT, EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 8, 2019.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Results: Carried

E. Recommendation to approve Cloraine Leath as Elementary Educational Assistant, effective October 28, 2019.

MOVED BY WHITMAN, SUPPORTED BY MCKINSTRY TO APPROVE CLORAINE LEATH AS ELEMENTARY EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANT, EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 28, 2019.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Results: Carried

F. Recommendation to approve Ashlee Flachs for 2019-20 Middle School Cheer Coach.

MOVED BY MILLEN, SUPPORTED BY WHITMAN TO APPROVE ASHLEE FLACHS FOR 2019-20 MIDDLE SCHOOL CHEER COACH.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Results: Carried

- G. Recommendation to approve Alex Bengry as Middle School Educational Assistant, effective October 28, 2019.

MOVED BY MCKINSTRY, SUPPORTED BY MILLEN TO APPROVE ALEX BENGRY AS MIDDLE SCHOOL EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANT, EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 28, 2019.

Ayes: 6 Abstain: 1 Nays: 0 Results: Carried

- H. Recommendation to approve Connie Boyd for 2019-20 Middle School Cheer Coach.

MOVED BY WHITMAN, SUPPORTED BY MCKINSTRY TO APPROVE CONNIE BOYD FOR 2019-20 MIDDLE SCHOOL CHEER COACH.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Results: Carried

## VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. School Forest – discussion regarding the 80 acres.
- B. MCAN (Mich. College Access Network) Advisor – Jessica Kolenda explained what MCAN is all about and that it's a highly competitive process.
- The Advisor wouldn't be just for students going to colleges/universities for 2-4 years. They would assist those going for a few weeks program to many years of college.
  - The first year's costs would be \$9,000, 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$12,000 and 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$15,000.
- It was decided to put MCAN on the December agenda as news of the application would be received by then.

## VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. Count Day Report – 885 students were submitted
- B. Board Goal Setting – Was a great process. Four priority goals were established.
- C. Kid's Pad – Mulch was spread on the Elementary play area.
- D. King Scott representatives will be visiting on 11-12-19.

## IX. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS/RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

Kelly Millen mentioned the sessions she attended at the MASB Delegate Assembly which prompted a discussion regarding student and teacher mental health. Several students were attending the board meeting and two who were on the Project Outreach team were asked to stand and speak a little about mental health for students.

## X. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Recommendation to adjourn.

MOVED BY HOPKINS, SUPPORTED BY MCKINSTRY THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Results: Carried

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.