

Eddyville Charter School

Board of Directors Minutes of Meeting

February 21, 2013

Board Members in Attendance: Larry Cook, Spring Howard, Patty Kinion, Paul Schneidecker, Christy Turner, Dana Scarborough

Absent Board Members: Jenny Demaris

Administration Present: Dennis Schultz, Ann Cook, Lisa Renfrow

Meeting called to order:

The meeting was called to order by Kevin McBride at 6:30 p.m.

Interested Parties:

Shelley Moore followed up with the results of the First Grade Mitten, Glove, and Scarf Drive with 81 items collected and donated to the East County Help Center. Students enjoyed a Snowman theme and created a graph to show collection results.

Shelley Moore thanked the Board for the opportunity to coach high school track this spring and expressed her eagerness to develop a program encouraging every student in the high school to participate. She shared that fourteen students attended the first meeting and that twenty students are currently signed up. Adam Kriz will assist with the throwing events. Patty Kinion inquired about the condition and safety of the track field. Shelley Moore explained her ideas of creating work parties and involving the athletes in opportunities to participate in the clean up. She also added that she wanted to offer community outreach or service projects to track participants. In addition there would be a focus on leadership, academics, and citizenship. Patty Kinion asked that Shelley Moore let the Board know when cleanup work is scheduled so they could help out.

Sonja Corcoran presented to the board information of ECS's Drumming classes' desire to perform at the World Rhythm Festival in Seattle, Washington. With approval, this overnight trip would be the 7th year that ECS has participated in the event. Students would be transported in private cars, making it a "family affair" with drummers staying with their parents and siblings. The cost of the trip is covered with fundraisers. This has worked out well in the past. Spring Howard made a motion to grant permission for the trip. Larry Cook seconded the motion and all members voted in agreement.

Danny Howard expressed concern to the Board regarding ECS's sports programs and inquired about how to go about getting his concerns heard and addressed. Board Chair, Kevin McBride, explained the first step would be to schedule a meeting with the administrator. If unhappy with the results of that meeting a complaint could be filed for review by the ECS Board of Directors.

Identified Concerns:

Lack of investment in the athletic programs, better defined roles and responsibilities of athletic staff, an evaluation process for athletic staff, more sports opportunities (summer camps) for students to participate in giving students a reason to want to stay at ECS and not transfer to other schools, more information to students and parents in advance to promote participation, aligning middle school programs with Park and Rec. programs.

Written Communication and Acknowledgement:

A Building Use application was submitted by Howard Richards and Mike Yeager on behalf of S.E.T for little league baseball and softball signups to be held in the library on Wednesday, March 13th at 5:30-7:30. A motion was made by Spring Howard and seconded by Larry Cook to approve the request. All members voted in agreement.

A Cooperative Sponsorship Application was submitted for approval allowing ECS to co-op with Toledo High School for Girls Softball. A motion was made by Spring Howard to approve the application. Larry Cook seconded the motion and all members voted in agreement.

Reading of Minutes:

A motion was made by Larry Cook to accept the minutes as read. A second to the motion was made by Patty Kinion and all members voted in agreement.

Financial Report:

Larry Cook made a motion to accept the financial report (check #'s 15437-15552 for a total of \$137,328.97) as submitted for approval. Spring Howard seconded the motion and all members voted in agreement.

Business Office Report:

Ann Cook presented the Board with four budget scenarios for the 2013-14 school year based on a 185 day calendar. These options were informational only to get everyone thinking about possible budgeting options.

Scenario #1 No salary increase, based on \$6314/ADM (established by LCSD)

Scenario #2 No salary increase, based on \$6134/ADM (starting rate for 12/13)

Scenario #3 No salary increase, based on \$6004/ADM (Oct. 2012 estimate)

Scenario #4 Step increase for licensed staff and 2% for classified, based on \$6134/ADM (starting rate 12/13) with 2 options 1.) All employees pay 20% of insurance 2.) All employees pay 5% of their PERS.

Contracts:

Requests for special services contracts were submitted for approval for:

Shelley Moore (Head HS Track Coach) A motion was made by Spring Howard to approve the contract as submitted. Christy McGuire seconded the motion and all members were in agreement.

Adam Kriz (HS Assistant Track and MS Coach) Patty Kinion made a motion to approve the special services contracts for the Head Track coach and the Assistant track coach together because they would be working as a team, Larry Cook seconded the motion. Three members voted in favor and three members opposed the vote. The motion was passed by a decision vote by the Board Chair.

Norina Nettleton (H.S. Math Tutor/Credit Recovery on B days, 1 class period) Dana Scarborough made a motion to approve the contract as written. The motion was seconded by Larry Cook and all members voted in agreement.

Dana Scarborough reported on the Senior Class trip and how successful it was. The kids all got along well, worked together, organized activities, and represented ECS in appositve manner. Several compliments were given about their behavior throughout the trip. Christy Turner and Spring Howard thanked the chaperones for all their help.

Student Enrollment Report:

Current student enrollment at ECS is 216 students as of 2/21/3013.

Administration Report:

Talking points:

Mr. Schultz reported that one the three safety drills scheduled for February was completed successfully.

We have twelve students in grades 6-12 signed up for the Toledo VFW Trap club and fourteen students participating in the Big Timber .22 caliber Rifle club. The clubs alternate meeting every other Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Schultz explained he is currently supervising the students, but if you know of any parent volunteer interested in helping out, please contact the school office or let him know.

Shelley Moore has been hired as the HS track coach and Adam Kriz for MS. Adam will also assist/train HS students signed up to compete in throwing events and Shelley will assist MS students in the running/jumping events.

Mr. Schultz asked the Board for permission to use the business/school cell phone for limited personal use. Patty Kinion made a motion allowing Mr. Schultz to use the business cell phone for personal use also. Dana Scarborough seconded the motion and all voted in agreement.

Mr. Schultz shared an updated report of senior plans after graduation submitted by Kim Kellison:

- Bradi McGuire, admitted to OSU;
- Coleman Swenson, admitted to OSU;
- Bryan Diaz, admitted to OSU;
- Mercedes Howard, admitted to PSU;
- Olivia Schneidecker, admitted to WSU and received the Elks Lodge scholarship for \$4,000 and a scholarship from WSU for \$500;
- Kelsey Gilseth, admitted to University of Oregon;
- Fulton Miller, admitted to University of Oregon;
- Cameron Brown, applied to five elite, out of state colleges and is still waiting to hear from them, but believe his backup is OSU.

Late spring is when we are going to start hearing about the scholarships that these students applied for. They were all admitted before the deadline and were eligible for the general scholarship pools at their individual schools, except Fulton who said his transcript didn't arrive on time, even though Lisa has documentation about when it was mailed. The U of O also has extra scholarships like the Diversity Scholarship, which Kelsey applied for.

These kids are currently working on all the Lincoln County Foundation scholarships, which requires an essay and paperwork for each scholarship that they apply to. Clemens Foundation is not due until June. We save that one for last. Most of these students met the early bird deadline for the Oregon Student Access Commission (OSAC), which entitled them to be entered for another \$500 prize. The final deadline for OSAC is March 1st, so that is our focus for now if students aren't done already.

"We are actually surpassing the state's goals of forty percent of kids applying to a four year school and being accepted."

Ms. Kellison also received a \$1,000 scholarship for the ASPIRE (Access to Student assistance Programs In Reach of Everyone) program and plans to take about 20 kids to see the Dalai Lama in Eugene on May 10th. She also just received a \$300 scholarship from OSU Federal Credit Union for Home Economics supplies.

Mr. Schultz shared with the Board that progress on resolving the water issues are continuing to move forward with Landon Lightle working closely with Amy Chapman, Lincoln County Health Department and Culligan's Water Systems.

Committee Reports:

The Sub Committee organized to review the Bylaws met before the Board meeting to begin discussions and reported that it continues to be a work in progress.

Kevin McBride reported that he will collate and review the administrator's performance surveys and then meet with the committee to discuss and schedule a meeting with Mr. Schultz to review results.

Old Business:

Christy Turner inquired about the progress of the coaches' evaluations to be completed after each sport, as requested by the Board at the beginning of the school year. Mr. Schultz stated that the evaluations have not been completed. Christy Turner also inquired as to whether any progress had been made with organizing the Three on Three basketball tournament and if the athletic committee with Shelley Moore, Adam Kriz, and Michael Ulstad had an opportunity to meet?

Patty Kinion felt it was important that the coach evaluations were completed by the next Board meeting to satisfy safety requirements and legal obligations to ECS students.

New Business:

Kevin McBride inquired about the progress of K-12 teacher evaluations. What evaluations were done last year by Pete Tuana?

Patty Kinion wanted to know where ECS was in the process of adopting new math curriculum and if we were working with LCSD and their adoption teams. She was also interested in any work around credit by proficiency.

Mr. Schultz stated that in October, Diane Smith, a state leader in credit by proficiency did a 1/2 workshop for MS/HS teachers to begin to educate staff on what it looks like and what it would take to implement it at ECS in the future. Taft MS/HS has found success in its implementation a few years back.

Mr. Schultz also pointed out that two elementary teachers attended a two day Common Core State Standards (CCSS) professional development, 2 MS and 1 HS teacher attended a 1 day CCSS PD for math. Two additional teachers will attend a 1 day CCSS in language arts in May. He also commented that next year will be the last year for the OAKS test. It will be replaced in 2013/14 by Smarter Balance assessments which will be aligned to the CCSS.

Kevin McBride asked that a curriculum report be presented at the April Board meeting outlining what is currently working at ECS and how we are going to deal with the transition. Also a plan of how we are going to finish the school year and what we are going to do next year

Meeting Adjourned at 8:07.

Larry Cook made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dana Scarborough seconded the motion and all members voted in agreement.