

EVART PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Minutes

August 11, 2025

6:00 p.m.

Our Mission: Provide the tools to succeed

Our Vision: Equipping All to reach their highest potential

I. CALL TO ORDER

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY BRUGGEMA AT 6:00 PM IN THE BOARDROOM LOCATED AST 321 NORTH HEMLOCK STREET EVART, MICHIGAN 49631

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. MOMENT OF SILENCE- Loren Gerber

IV. ROLL CALL

Todd Bruggema X, Bre Grabill X, Mark Moody X, Eric Schmidt X Gerald Nichols A
Ken Wirth X, Jamie Hulliberger X.

Also Present: Dan Boyer-Superintendent

Tom Pashak- High School Principal

Jason O'Dell- Middle School Principal

Susan Parcell- Elementary Principal

Amy Booher- Recording Secretary

Guests Present: Ashley Cass, Valerie Hopkins, Kelly Whitman, Jenna Bissett, Dawn Rueffer, Sherry Morgan, Debbie Todd, Sherri Bancroft, Macey Wallace, Jen Natale, Lauren Nabozny, Pepper Lockhart, Ayla Schmidt, Zoe Babb, Jennifer Joyce, Rosie McKinstry, Chase Hintermeister.

V. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS/RECOGNITION OF GUESTS/PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Evart Trap Team- Jen Natale- shared on the Evart trap and skeet team at States.

B. Makenna Jensen- Appointed to MDE- Student Advisory Council (Pg 5)- she plans to come back to a meeting or two and share about her experience.

C. Gerstacker-Fellowship- Jenna Bissett was awarded this for the upcoming school year. It will include training and international travel.

VI. COMMUNITY COMMENTS

VII. COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE- Secretary Mark Moody- Shared a thank you note from the Bennett family.

VIII. FINANCIAL (**PG 7-27**)

IX. COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

A. Personnel Committee Meeting- Bre Grabill

B. Policy Committee Meeting- Eric Schmidt

Recommendation to approve the FAFSA Policy(Pg 56)

MOVED BY GRABILL SUPPORTED BY HULLIBERGER TO APPROVE THE FAFSA POLICY.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

Recommendation to approve Thrun Policies as presented (See Attached)

MOVED BY SCHMIDT SUPPORTED BY WIRTH TO APPROVE THRUN POLICIES AS PRESENTED.

* Amendment – Recommendation to approve Evart Public School policies as presented.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

C. Finance Committee Meeting- Jamie Hulliberger

X. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held July 14, 2025.
(Pgs 37-40)

MOVED BY MOODY SUPPORTED BY GRABILL TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD JULY 14, 2025.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

- B. Payment of Bills (PGs 27-35)

MOVED BY GRABILL SUPPORTED BY SCHMIDT THAT THE TREASURER'S REPORT OF DISBURSEMENTS BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

General Fund invoices be approved for checks #50612-#50643 in the amount of \$189,370.50 and the July 4th and 17th payrolls and benefits for the total amount of \$591,136.17.

Hot Lunch Fund invoices to be approved for checks #8191-#8197 in the amount of \$47,153.06.

Trust and Agency Fund invoices to be approved for check #19661-#19665 in the amount of \$4650.57.

Athletic Fund invoices to be approved for check #10458-#10461 in the amount of \$3156.57.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

- C. Reading of the Student Handbooks (See Attached)

Recommendation to approve the Student Handbooks.

MOVED BY GABILL SUPPORTED BY HULLIBERGER TO APPROVE THE STUDENTS HANDBOOKS.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

- D. Recommendation to approve setting the debt millage at 1.25 Mills

MOVED BY GRABILL SUPPORTED BY HULLIBERGER TO APPROVE SETTING THE DEBT MILLAGE AT 1.25 MILLS.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

- E. Recommendation to approve Chase Hintermeister as the Middle School/High School Band Director.

(Pgs 41-43)

MOVED BY GRABILL SUPPORTED BY SCHMIDT TO APPROVE CHASE HINTERMEISTER AS THE MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL BAND DIRECTOR..

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

- F. Recommendation to approve Kristin Roberts as the JV Sideline Cheer Coach.

(Pg 45)

MOVED BY GRABILL SUPPORTED BY SCHMIDT TO APPROVE KRISTIN ROBRETS AS THE JV SIDELINE CHEER COACH.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

- G. Recommendation to approve Lauren Nabozny as a Middle School Girls Basketball Coach.

(Pg 47)

MOVED BY HULLIBERGER SUPPORTED BY MOODY TO APPROVE LAUREN NABOZNY AS A MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL COACH.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

- H. Recommendation to approve Erin Roland as a Full Time Custodian

MOVED BY GRABILL SUPPORTED BY HULLIBERGER TO APPROVE ERIN ROLAND AS A FULL TIME CUSTODIAN.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

- I. Recommendation to approve Suzette Youngs-Kopach as a Full Time Bus Driver.

(Pg 49)

MOVED BY HULLIBERGER SUPPORTED BY WIRTH TO APPROVE SUZETTE YOUNGS-KOPACH AS A FULL TIME BUS DRIVER.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

- J. Recommendation to approve the 2025-2028 Master Agreement between Evert Education Association and the Evert Board of Education.

MOVED BY GRABILL SUPPORTED BY MOODY TO APPROVE THE 2025-2028 MASTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE EVART EDUCATION ASSOCIATION AND THE EVART BOARD O EDUCATION.

Ayes: 5 – 1 Abstain – K. Wirth Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

XI. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Facility Dog Report- Amber Payne- CANCELLED

XII. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

A. Resignations- Chuck Laitinen- Custodian **(Pg 51)**

B. MASB Delegate Certification- October 27, 2025 Traverse City – Delegate and Alternate
(Pgs 53-55)

XIII. CLOSED SESSION

Recommendation to go into closed session under section 8(c) of the Open Meetings Act. for purpose of evaluating the Superintendent and establishing goals.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bruggema: Yes

Schmidt: Yes

Grabill: Yes

Nichols: Absent

Moody: Yes

Wirth: Yes

Hulliberger: Yes

Results: CARRIED

XIV. ACTION ITEM

A. Recommendation to approve to extend Dan Boyer's current contract for 3 Years and a 3% increase in his base salary with an \$19,400 stipend for extra duties as assigned..

MOVED BY MOODY SUPPORTED BY SCHMIDT TO TO EXTEND DAN BOYER'S CURRENT CONTRACT FOR 3 YEARS AND A 3% INCREASE IN HIS BASE SALARY WITH AN \$19,400 STIPEND FOR EXTRA DUTIES AS ASSIGNED

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Results : CARRIED

** Amended **

Recommendation to approve to extend Dan Boyer's current contract for 3 years with a 3%, 2 %, and 2 % increase in his base salary for the 25-26, and 26-27 and 27-28 years following the teacher's percentage of increase each of those years. The Percentage for the 28-29 year to be determined. This includes a \$19,400 stipend for extra duties as assigned.

B. Recommendation to approve the 4 goals of the Superintendent that include: community, finance, MTSS, and board committees.

MOVED BY BRUGGEMA SUPPORTED BY GRABILL TO APPROVE THE 4 GOALS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT THAT INCLUDE COMMUNITY, FINANCE, MTSS, AND BOARD COMMITTEES.

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Results: CARRIED

XV. ADJOURNMENT

A. Recommendation to adjourn.

MOVED BY MOODY SUPPORTED BY SCHMIDT THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED.

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Results: CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

To ensure due process and respect of individual rights, the District maintains a formal process for handling complaints against individuals. A problem involving an individual or specific incident is best handled through administrative channels. Speakers are asked to express themselves in a civil manner, with due respect for the dignity and privacy of others who may be affected by your comments. While it is not our intent to stifle public comment, speakers should be aware that if your statements violate the rights of others under the law of defamation or invasion of privacy, you may be held legally responsible. If you are unsure of the legal ramifications of what you are about to say, we urge you to consult first with your legal advisor.