

EVART PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes

February 10, 2025

7:00 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY BRUGGEMA AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE MIDDLE SCHOOL LOCATED AT 321 NORTH HEMLOCK STREET, EVART MI 49631.

- A moment of Silence in honor of Karen Pyman

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

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

Also Present: Dan Boyer- Superintendent
Jessica Kolenda-High School Principal
Jason O'Dell- Middle School Principal
Amy Booher-Recording Secretary

Guests Present: Pepper Lockhart, Valerie Hopkins, Marie Wilkerson, Steve Locke, Sara DeWitt, Dan Pylman, Rosie McKinstry, Dawn Rueffer, Annette Walters, Jenna Bissett, Alex Bissett, Lance Pylman, Sherry Morgan, Brie Cass, Tyler Cass, Kelly Whitman, Ryan Douglass,

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

A. 1. Karen Pylman Recognition

2. Steve Locke- MOISD- Special Ed. Millage

B. Public Comment

Marie Wilkerson welcomed and thanked our new board members, Ken Wirth and Jamie Hulliberger.

V. COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

VI. FINANCIAL

(Pages 3-16)

VII. ACTION ITEMS

A. Recommendation to approve the amended minutes of the regular meeting held January 13, 2025.

(Pages 22-25)

MOVED BY HULLIBERGER , SUPPORTED BY GRABILL TO APPROVE THE AMENDED MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD JANUARY 13 2025.

Ayes: 5

Nays:

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Results: CARRIED

B. Payment of Bills

(Pages 17-21)

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

General Fund invoices be approved for checks #50141 through #50196 in the amount of \$154,188.43 and the January 3rd, 17th and 31st payrolls and benefits for the total amount of \$496,969.09.

Hot Lunch Fund invoices to be approved for checks #8111 through #8125 in the amount of \$55,389.00

Trust and Agency Fund invoices to be approved for checks #19479 through #19510 in the amount of \$7, 571.32

Athletic Fund invoices to be approved for check #10410 through #10416 in the amount of \$5351.71.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

- C. Recommendation to approve new Board committees of curriculum, negotiations, and personnel. Negotiation committee will be as a whole committee

MOVED BY GRABILL SUPPORTED BY WIRTH TO APPROVE NEW BOARD COMMITTEE(S) OF CURRICULUM, PERSONNEL, AND NEGOTIATION AS A COMMITTEE AS A WHOLE.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

- D. Recommendation to authorize the President of the Board to appoint individual board members to current or newly established Board committees.

MOVED BY HULLIBERGER SUPPORTED BY GRABILL TO AUTHORIZE THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO APPOINT INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS TO CURRENT OR NEWLY ESTABLISHED BOARD COMMITTEES.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 1 Results: CARRIED

- E. Recommendation to approve Football Field Lighting not to exceed \$200,000.00 in cost.

MOVED BY GRABILL SUPPORTED BY WIRTH TO APPROVE FOOTBALL FIELD LIGHTING NOT TO EXCEED \$200,000.00 IN COST..

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

- F. Recommendation to approve to authorize the use of Thrun and Clark Hill as legal services for Evart Public Schools, including a retainer of \$2500 to Thrun Law.

MOVED BY GRABILL SUPPORTED BY HULLIBERGER TO APPROVE TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF THRUN LAW and CLARK HILL AS LEGAL SERVICES FOR EVART PUBLIC SCHOOLS, INCLUDING A RETAINER OF \$2500 TO THRUN LAW.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Resignations- Doug Helmling-High School Teacher (**Page 26**)

B. Feb 22- 9-3:30 CBA 101 at MOISD-EPS can apply for rebates for these classes.

C. MOISD Mecosta –Osceola County Board Meeting – Date TBD

D. School Function Invitations- Amy will include Board members on school functions b y google invites.
E. Evart Promise Plus- Roses and Rodeo May 10, 2025 at the Willow Venue- Tickets on sale.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

A. Recommendation to adjourn.

MOVED BY GRABILL, SUPPORTED BY HULLIBERGER THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 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.