EVART PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes March 11, 2025 6:00 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY <u>BRUGGEMA</u> AT 6:00 PM IN THE BOARD ROOM LOCATED AT 321 NORTH HEMLOCK STREET, EVART MICHIGAN 49631.

- A Moment of Silence for Doug Helmling
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL

Todd Bruggema \underline{X} , Bre Grabill \underline{X} Mark Moody \underline{X} , Gerald Nichols \underline{X} Eric Schmidt \underline{X} , Ken Wirth \underline{X} ., Jamie Hulliberger \underline{X}

- IV. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS/RECOGNITION OF GUESTS/PUBLIC COMMENT
 - A. Bruggema congratulated the Varsity Girls Basketball on a great season.
 - B. Onaly Drouse shared her thoughts on why the gun raffle is important to pursue at EPS.
 - C. Rod Drouse also shared the benefits of having the gun raffle for the Trap Team at EPS.
 - D. Jennifer Natale- shared her thoughts on the gun raffle.
 - E. Mark Moody shared his concern about the gun raffle.
 - F. Points of Pride-Susan Parcell-Shared about Literacy work at the Elementary School
 - G. Budget Revision Presentation- Dawn Rueffer
- V. COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE
- VI. FINANCIAL
- VII. ACTION ITEMS
 - A. Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held February 10, 2025.

MOVED BY <u>MOODY</u>, SUPPORTED BY <u>SCHMIDT</u> TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 10, 2025.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

B. Payment of Bills

MOVED BY <u>NICHOLS</u> SUPPORTED BY S<u>CHMIDT</u> THAT THE TREASURER'S REPORT OF DISBURSEMENTS BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

General Fund invoices be approved for checks #50219 through #50261 in the amount of \$102,454.84 and the February 14th and the 28th payrolls and benefits for the total amount of \$654,240.04 Hot Lunch Fund invoices to be approved for checks #8126 through #8138 in the amount of \$49,126.35. Trust and Agency Fund invoices to be approved for checks #19513 through #19534 in the amount of \$9949.03. Athletic Fund invoices to be approved for check #10417 through #10421 in the amount of \$8535.62 7 Nays: 0 **Results: CARRIED** Ayes: C. Recommendation to approve Macey Wallace as the Girls Varsity Track Coach for the 2025 Season. MOVED BY <u>HULLIBERGER_</u>SUPPORTED BY <u>GRABILL</u> TO APPROVE MACEY WALLACE AS THE GIRLS VARSITY TRACK COACH FOR THE 2025 SEASON. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED D. Recommendation to approve Kris Morgan as the Boys Varsity Track Coach for the 2025 Season. MOVED BY GRABILL SUPPORTED BY NICHOLS TO APPROVE KRIS MORGAN AS THE BOYS VARSITY TRACK COACH FOR THE 2025 SEASON. 7 Nays: 0 **Results: CARRIED** Ayes: E. Recommendation to approve Jason O'Dell as the Middle School Boys Track Coach for the 2025 Season. MOVED BY HULLIBERGER SUPPORTED BY NICHOLS TO APPROVE JASON O'DELL AS MIDDLE SCHOOL BOYS TRACK COACH FOR THE 2025 SEASON. 7 0 Ayes: Nays: Results CARRIED F. Recommendation to approve Jenna Bissett as the Middle School Girls Track Coach for the 2025 Season. MOVED BY GRABILL SUPPORTED BY HULLIBERGERTO APPROVE JENNA BISSETT AS THE MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS TRACK COACH FOR THE 2025 SEASON. 7 0 Ayes: Nays: Results: CARRIED G. Recommendation to approve Carter Pritchard as the High School Football Assistant for the 2025 Season. MOVED BY GRABILL SUPPORTED BY WIRTH TO APPROVE CARTER PRITCHARD AS THE HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL ASSISTANT FOR THE 2025 SEASON.

Nays:

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Results CARRIED

Ayes:

H.	Recommendation to approve Dean Witte as the JV Softball Coach for the 2025 Season				
	MOVED BY <u>NICHOLS</u> SUPPORTED BY <u>GRABILL</u> TO APPROVE DEAN WITTE AS THE JV SOFTBALL COACH FOR THE 2025 SEASON.				
	Ayes:	7	Nays:	0	Results CARRIED
I.	Recommendation	on to approve moving to Skyward Financial Services.			
	MOVED BY <u>MOODY</u> SUPPORTED BY <u>HULLIBERGER</u> TO APPROVE SKYWARD FINANCIAL SERVICES.				
	Ayes:	7	Nays:	0	Results: CARRIED
J.	 J. Approval of Senior Trip to Cedar Point May 5th 2025. Missy Morgan shared a handout on the schedule for the Senior Trip. MOVED BY MOODY SUPPORTED BY SCHMIDT TO APPROVE THE SENIOR TR TO CEDAR POINT MAY 5 2025. 				
	Ayes:	7	Nays:	0	Results: CARRIED
VIII.	DISCUSSION ITEMS A. Board Compensation- discussed the price of the board meetings. Possible thoughts on only paying for Regular Board Meeting. Possibly no compensation for Special or Committee Meetings. Will discuss more in the upcoming April Board Meeting. B. Regular Board Meeting Start Times- A Motion was made to moving the Start time of the Regular Board Meeting, until the end of the school calendar year, to 6:00 PM.				
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	Ayes:	7	Nays:	0	Results: CARRIED
IX.	SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT A. Resignations- Macey Wallace- HS Boys Track Coach Rachel Isanhart- HS Teacher Natalie Price- Elementary Music Teacher B. Athletic Lighting Update- We are in good shape to move forward. Will check with the Fair Board in regards to a separate meter for the lighting. C Elementary Pick Up/Drop Off Procedures- The Building and Grounds Committee met on this issues. May wait until Fall for upcoming change. D. OPIE Awards- April 24 th , 2025. Congratulations to Josh Johnson (teacher) Carol Reedy (Para) and Friend of Evart – Tina Young.				

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Recommendation to go into closed session under section 8(a)of the Open Meetings Act. for informal superintendent evaluation and section 8 (c) for purpose of negotiation strategy.

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ROLL CALL VOTE:

Bruggema YES Schmidt YES
Grabill YES Hulliberger: YES
Moody YES Nichols YES

Wirth <u>YES</u> Results: <u>Carried</u>

XI. ADJOURNMENT

A. Recommendation to adjourn.

MOVED BY <u>MOODY</u>, SUPPORTED BY <u>SCHMIDT</u> THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Results: CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:13 PM.

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.