MINUTES OF THE EAST UNION COMMUNITY SCHOOL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR BOARD MEETING
September 21, 2024

The Regular Board Meeting was called to order by President Adam Tallmon at 6:30 pm in the Collaborative Learning Center. Present were board members Jamie Buffington and Sam McKnight. Carol Eckels and Amber Tate were absent. Also in attendance were Superintendent Tim Kuehl and School Business Official Rhiannon Tessum.

McKnight made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, which was seconded by Buffington. The motion passed unanimously, 3-0.

Twenty minutes were set aside for public comments, with a three-minute limit per speaker. However, no one chose to address the board.

Denovo Facilities Management presented a proposal for a district facilities assessment. Brian Crawford outlined the plan to conduct a comprehensive facilities study, work with a facilities committee, and prioritize the district's maintenance and improvement needs over the coming years.

The following items were approved under the consent agenda, with a motion by Buffington and a second by McKnight. The motion carried 3-0:
Minutes: Approval of the minutes from August 19, 2024.
Financial Reports and Invoices: Approval of financial reports and invoices.
Staff Resignations:
Jackie Islas – Early Childhood Center Assistant
Kaitlin Pieten – Teacher Lead Team
Kaela Eslinger – Junior High Basketball Coach
Staff Contracts/Letters of Assignment:
Ashley Toppin – Assistant Archery Coach ($2,533)
Rachel Vaughan – Assistant Archery Coach ($2,133)
Josh Kendrick – Secondary Paraprofessional ($13/hour)
Open Enrollment Requests:
1 Ninth-Grade Student (Out to Creston)
1 First-Grade Student (Out to Creston)
Out-of-State/Overnight Trip Approvals:
High School East Union Art Club field trip to Kansas City, April 25-27, 2025
Middle School Art Club field trip to Cedar Rapids, May 2, 2025
Fundraisers: Approval of upcoming fundraising activities.
Contracts: Approval of officials and Lansink change orders.

Board Reports were then presented:
Elementary Principal: Principal Gordan provided an update on recent activities and events at the elementary school.
Secondary Principal: Principal Riley shared news related to both staff and students.
School Business Official: Rhiannon Tessum provided a report on business office updates.
Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Kuehl discussed various district matters.
Board Member Reports: No additional reports were presented by board members.

McKnight made a motion to approve an agreement with Marco to provide and manage district copiers at a cost of $2,444.23 per month. Buffington seconded, and the motion passed 3-0.

McKnight motioned to waive the first reading of the following policies:

- 710.4 Meal Charges
- 502.10 Use of Motor Vehicles
- 603.01 Basic Instruction Program
- 700 Purpose of Non-Instructional and Business Services

The motion also approved the second reading and adoption of the updated language for these policies. Buffington seconded the motion, which passed 3-0

Buffington motioned to approve the sharing agreement with Nodaway Valley for a Teacher Librarian. McKnight seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

Buffington made a motion to approve the fundraising plans for the 2026 Washington D.C. and New York trip as presented. McKnight seconded, and the motion passed 3-0.

McKnight motioned to approve the allowable growth and supplemental aid request to cover the district's Special Education deficit of $96,095.74 for Fiscal Year 2024. This was a reduction from the prior year's deficit of $101,234.91. The motion was seconded by Buffington and passed unanimously, 3-0.

There were no further communications or correspondence.

Upcoming Meetings

- Regular Board Meeting, October 21, 2024, at 6:30 pm
- Regular Board Meeting, November 18, 2024, at 6:30 pm

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm following a motion by McKnight, seconded by Buffington, and unanimously approved, 3-0.

Adam Tallmon, Board President
Pending Approval

Rhiannon Tessum, Board Secretary