

**August 8, 2022**

**EJCS BOE Meeting Minutes**

A regular meeting of the East Jackson Community Schools Board of Education was held in the East Jackson Elementary Community Room. The meeting was called to order by President, Ken Straub at 6:00 PM. Roll call was conducted by Secretary, Jan Maino and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Board Members Present:** Ken Straub, Mishele Wilkins, Jan Maino, Mickey Cromley, Mike Buckland, Lisa Hendricks

**Board Members Absent:** Misti Bell

**Administrators/ Supervisors Present:** Superintendent Doerr  
Amy Blackledge, Joel Cook, Becky Hager, Regina Hoskins, Joe Niehaus, Jeff Panches, Spencer Schultz, Randy Wilkinson

**Staff Members Present:** Ray Hill, Staci Hunt, Deana Minder, Business Manager, Donna Wahr

**Visitors Present:**

**Additions/Deletions to the Agenda**

- 1) Add Action Item #7 - **Retirement**
- 2) Edit Action Item #2 - **Additional New Hires**

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

Mrs. Maino moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

Mrs. Wilkins 2<sup>nd</sup>

- 1) **Meeting Minutes**
  - A. Regular Meeting – July 18, 2022

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

**Questions, Comments, Petitions from the Public:** None

**Reports**

1) **Finance Report**

- Business Manager, Donna Wahr, presented the Finance Report.

2) **Board Reports/ Sharing** – None

3) **Superintendent's Report**

- Classroom Audio-Video systems are nearly completed in all K-12 classrooms. Mr. Doerr thanked the maintenance and custodial staff for working hard in collaboration with the installers.
- Next week, our district is hosting Camp Invention for approximately 45 EJ students. This effort was funded by John George grant funds. The two (2) week camp will be led by EJ teacher, Sammy Rebandt.

- On Friday, August 19, 9AM-Noon, East Jackson is hosting two (2) events. **Fill the Bus** to provide additional school supplies for students and **Drive the School Bus** to provide a career opportunity. Mr. Doerr acknowledged Mrs. Hoskins’ hard work to coordinate this effort.
- The Jackson County Sheriff Department has announced that they are significantly scaling back the liaison officer program due to staffing shortages. Mr. Doerr recommended that the Board approve this expansion of services with Blackman-Leoni Public Safety. The added cost will be offset by the use of 97b state grant funding.

**Action Items**

**Resignation** Mrs. Maino moved to accept **Resignations** as presented.

- a. **Brandon Webb** ~ PBIS Coordinator, EJE; effective 8/12/2022
- b. **Todd Bramlet** ~ Teacher; effective 8/2/2022

Mr. Cromley 2<sup>nd</sup>

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

**New Hire** Mrs. Maino moved to approve **New Hires** as presented.

- a. **Rhonda Anderson** ~ Instructional Assistant, EJE
- b. **JuLee Baxter** ~ Student Reset Success (SRS) Aide, EJS
- c. **Clay Fox** ~ Math Instructional Assistant, EJS
- d. **Melissa Lorencen-Waldron** ~ Instructional Assistant, EJE
- e. **Beth Westin** ~ Instructional Assistant, EJE
- f. **Catherine Morgan** ~ Social Worker, EJS
- g. **Calvin Carter** ~ PBIS Coordinator, EJE
- h. **Alisa Zigler** ~ Teacher, EJE
- i. **Sadie Fritz** ~ Teacher, EJE

Mr. Buckland 2<sup>nd</sup>

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

**Bids** Mrs. Maino moved to approve **Milk and Bread Recommendations** as presented.

- a. **Milk** – Prairie Farms Dairy of Battle Creek
- b. **Bread** – Gordon Food Service direct purchase

Mr. Buckland 2<sup>nd</sup>

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

**Handbooks** Mrs. Wilkins moved to approve **Student-Parent Handbook Edits** as presented for EJE and EJSS.

Mrs. Hendricks 2<sup>nd</sup>

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

**NEOLA** Mrs. Maino moved to approve **NEOLA Updates** as presented:

Mrs. Hendricks 2<sup>nd</sup>

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

**Liaison Support** Mrs. Wilkinson moved to approve **School Liaison Support from Blackman-Leoni Public Safety** as presented. (half of District cost is supported through State 97b Grant Funding)

Mr. Cromley 2<sup>nd</sup>

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

**Retirement** Mrs. Wilkins moved to accept, with regret, **Retirement** as presented.

a. **Lisa Tate** - EJS Teacher with nearly 35 years of service; effective 8/12/2022.

Mrs. Hendricks 2<sup>nd</sup>

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

**Other Board Discussion Matters** - None

**Adjournment**

Mrs. Wilkins moved to adjourn this Board of Education meeting at 6:16 p.m.

Mr. Buckland 2<sup>nd</sup>

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

Jan Maino  
Secretary Board of Education