

**REGULAR MEETING
EVERGREEN BOARD OF EDUCATION
FEBRUARY 22, 2022 6:00PM**

President Nora Kiefer called the meeting to order. Members in attendance were Matt Vaculik, Zach Murry, Jason Miller, Don Smith, and Nora Kiefer.

President Nora Kiefer asked if anyone wished to add, delete, or separate any items of the consent agenda as proposed. No changes were made to the agenda.

Matt Vaculik moved, supported by Zach Murry, to approve the meeting agenda as presented for the Regular Board meeting on February 22, 2022.

Ayes: Smith, Vaculik, Murry, Miller, Kiefer

Nayes:

Motion Carried.

22-22

Don Smith moved, supported by Jason Miller, to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held on January 10, 2022 and the Organizational Board Meeting held on January 10, 2022.

Ayes: Smith, Vaculik, Murry, Miller, Kiefer

Nayes:

Motion Carried

23-22

CORRESPONDENCE

Superintendent:

- Jane Draheim, Notice of Resignation, effective 7/1/2022

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

FINANCIAL

Treasurer Brian Carroll reviewed the financials including the Cash Reconciliation, Financial Summary, Cash Summary, Disbursement Summary, General Fund Graph, Payroll and Benefits Graph, and Income Tax Graph.

Accepted the following donations:

- \$100 anonymous donation to 018-9220: Student Assistance Fund
- \$2000 from Thomas Ott to 007-9092: Green and Gold Scholarship
- \$831.98 (TV) from MVP to 018:9221: Elementary General Activity
- \$100 from Dermanelian Chiropractic to 200:9372: Class of 2023

Approved the following appropriation modifications and to amend resources accordingly:

- Increase 499-9022 Safety Grant: \$6,268.01
- Increase 572-9022 Title I: \$1,352.80
- Increase 590-9022 Title II-A: \$183.59
- Increase 507-9022 ESSER II: \$2,346.03
- Increase 572-9922 Expanding Opportunities: \$15.67

Don Smith moved, supported by Matt Vaculik, to approve the preceding financial motions, reports, and other financial items.

Ayes: Smith, Vaculik, Murry, Miller, Kiefer

Nayes:

Motion Carried

24-22

PERSONNEL

Offered the following supplemental contracts for the 2021 - 2022 school year and approve volunteers pending completion of all pupil activity permit requirements:

- Madyson Zoltowski Softball Coach – Volunteer
- Nelson Holiday Baseball Assistant Coach
- Dylan Hendricks Baseball JV Coach
- Trevor Shindorf Baseball Freshman Coach

*All other pay and benefits will be according to Board adopted policy.

Accepted the resignation of Jane Draheim, EES Principal, for the purpose of retirement. Mrs. Draheim's resignation will become effective on July 1, 2022. Mrs. Draheim's service to our students and the District is greatly appreciated.

Approved the request for non-paid leave for Rosalie Kock tentatively beginning on January 31, 2022 and ending on April 14, 2022.

As recommended by the Superintendent, Jason Miller moved, supported by Zach Murry, to approve the above listed personnel items.

Ayes: Smith, Vaculik, Murry, Miller, Kiefer

Nayes:

Motion Carried

25-22

OTHER BUSINESS

Matt Vaculik moved, supported by Don Smith, to approve a service agreement with New Horizon's Academy at Sara's Garden Center for Educational Advancement to provide educational services to a special education student for the 2021-2022 school year at a cost of \$15,750.00 per semester.

Ayes: Smith, Vaculik, Murry, Miller, Kiefer

Nayes:

Motion Carried

26-22

Don Smith moved, supported by Jason Miller, to authorize membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) for the Evergreen High School and Evergreen Middle School for the 2022 – 2023 school year. The Board agrees to conduct Evergreen's athletic programs in accordance with the Constitution, Bylaws, Regulations, Interpretations and decisions of the OHSAA.

Ayes: Smith, Vaculik, Murry, Miller, Kiefer

Nayes:

Motion Carried

27-22

Zach Murry moved, supported by Matt Vaculik, to authorize the Evergreen Board of Education to advertise and receive bids for the purchase of one or more 72-passenger school buses. The Evergreen Board of Education wishes to participate and authorizes the Ohio Schools Council to advertise and receive bids on behalf of said Board as per the specifications submitted for the cooperative purchase of one or more 72-passenger school buses.

Ayes: Smith, Vaculik, Murry, Miller, Kiefer

Nayes:

Motion Carried

28-22

Zach Murry moved, supported by Matt Vaculik, to approve the following overnight trip for the Evergreen Wrestling Team to participate in the OHSAA State Wrestling Tournament at the Schottenstein Center in Columbus, Ohio on March 11-13, should any wrestlers qualify for the state tournament. Coach Dalton Nicely will be the trip supervisor.

Ayes: Smith, Vaculik, Murry, Miller, Kiefer

Nayes:

Motion Carried

29-22

Jason Miller moved, supported by Zach Murry, to commend the Evergreen High School Quiz Bowl members for qualifying for national competition, and to approve an overnight field trip for 6 team members, Advisor Bill Blanchong, and other parent chaperones to attend the National Academic Quiz Bowl Tournament to be held in Chicago, Illinois. Attendees will depart on Friday, April 22, 2022 and stay at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Rosemont, Illinois during the competition, and return to the District on Sunday, April 24, 2022.

Ayes: Smith, Vaculik, Murry, Miller, Kiefer
Nayes:

Motion Carried

30-22

Don Smith moved, supported by Jason Miller, to approve the following overnight trip for the Evergreen Softball Team to participate in the PREBIS Memorial Tournament at 422 W. Main St. Lagrange, Ohio. The team will depart on April 29, 2022 and stay at the Courtyard Hotel, 1755 Travelers Lane Elyria, Ohio and return on April 30, 2022. Head Coach Jim Zoltowski will be the trip supervisor and Coaches Haley Senn, Hannah Vaughn and Matt Keller will be chaperones.

Ayes: Smith, Vaculik, Murry, Miller, Kiefer
Nayes:

Motion Carried

31-22

DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

Superintendent Eric Smola reported on the following items:

Locker Room Renovation and Expansion Project:

Phase I of the project is almost complete. We are currently waiting on exterior lighting and handrails to gain occupancy. Weight room equipment is all off of the EMS stage and is being reassembled in expanded weight room. Spring sports will utilize the coaches' office and AD's office to change until we gain full access to the space, which should be in the very near future.

Phase II of the project began last week with demolition which is currently underway. Estimated completion date for Phase II is May 1st.

Strategic Planning Survey Results:

Themes:

- Students:
 - Strengths:
 - Students feel safe at school
 - Students feel their teachers care about them

- Teachers utilize technology in the classroom
- Areas for Improvement
 - Student-to-Student respect
 - Embracing student differences
 - Need for additional supports
- Parents:
 - Strengths
 - District strives for academic excellence
 - School personnel are welcoming
 - Community engagement and communication
 - Areas for Improvement
 - Post secondary planning
 - Need for improved performing arts facilities
 - Additional programming for gifted and social emotional needs
- Staff:
 - Strengths
 - Technology to support student learning
 - Clear and consistent communications
 - District facilities
 - Areas for Improvement
 - Remediation and intervention services
 - Social and emotional supports for students
 - After school programs

Evergreen Middle School:

We have begun exploring the possibility of moving the 5th grade to the middle school. Some questions we are looking at to answer in order to see if this is a viable option are:

- Would a move to a true middle school model provide additional learning opportunities for our students?
- Does a move eliminate space concerns at the elementary?
- Could we add leadership opportunities for our 5th graders at the middle school?
- Does a move allow for STEAM and fine arts opportunities?

At this time, we are looking to see if a move would provide additional options and opportunities for our students. We will continue to seek answers throughout this semester and determine if a move is something we want to pursue.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Angela Infante, Director of Technology, reported on the following items:

- We will soon be purchasing Chromebooks for grades 3, 6, and 9th-grade students. We will also be purchasing new cases as we have some that are over 4 years old and are in need of being replaced. I have asked the high school and middle school principals to evaluate which classrooms are in need of CleverTouches for the upcoming school year so that we can get them ordered. We

are adding wireless access points in the new weight room, film room, athletic directors' office, and girls coaches' office. With the remodeling process in the athletic areas, we are also adding a new wiring closet that will supply internet connectivity for the phones, wireless access points, security cameras, and entry doors. We are also looking to add internet access to the press box at Pifer field during the repaving of the north parking lot. All Chromebooks were set to automatically update at the end of December to prepare them for the state end-of-course testing that will begin in April. We signed a new contract with Perry ProTech for our copiers and printers back in December. With the new contract, we would be receiving new copiers across the entire district. They were scheduled to arrive shortly after the first of this year. With supply and demand issues the delivery date has been pushed back. At the time of the board meeting, we are not sure of when they were going to arrive.

Tony Doble, Technology Coordinator, reported on the following items:

- MVP was kind enough to purchase a TV for the elementary lobby. This TV will be used to communicate upcoming events, birthdays and display images and stories of the great things happening at Evergreen Elementary. The 3D printer at the elementary has been repaired and will be being used in Kim Reckner's room for students to create their own brain teaser games. Students will design and print the pieces to their game with the assistance of Mr. Doble and Mrs. Reckner. As a district, Mrs. Infante and Mr. Doble are looking into getting more STEAM-related items implemented into the district. Mr. Doble finished a lengthy 6-month project with SchoolMessenger. All contact data will now be pulled from the PowerSchool contacts table which is where the data collected in FinalForms is located. This will now prevent secretaries from having to do double entry into the custom fields that were created many years ago to communicate with SchoolMessenger. The new system will also make it easy for our parents to log in and set up their communication preferences. Mr. Doble is currently working on getting materials and tutorials put together to share with parents to make it easier for them to take advantage of these new benefits.

Superintendent Eric Smola reported on the following items:

Career Day:

In collaboration with Fulton County Ohio Means Jobs, Evergreen will be hosting a Career Day on March 23rd. EHS juniors and seniors will create a resume, learn interview skills, and have the opportunity to participate in mock interviews. Mock interviews have the potential to lead to secure employment for our students.

Health Assessment:

Students in grades 6, 9, and 11 were part of the Fulton County Health Assessment this fall. Our participation allows us to provide and receive feedback on students' physical and emotional health. Our data is consistent with the schools of Fulton County. This information helps us gauge how to best meet our students' needs.

BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS

Nora Kiefer asked about a walk through of the new Locker Room Facility and asked to look at Sunday practices and possibly re-wording the policy.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Zach Murry moved, supported by Matt Vaculik, for members of the Evergreen Board of Education, Treasurer, Superintendent, and invited guests to go into executive session for the following reason:

- To consider the employment of public employees: ORC 121.22(G)(1).
- To prepare for negotiations or bargaining sessions with employees concerning compensation and other terms and conditions of employment: ORC 121.22(G)(4).

Ayes: Smith, Vaculik, Murry, Miller, Kiefer

Nayes:

Motion Carried

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Time In: 6:53

Time Out: 7:35

ADJOURNMENT

Jason Miller moved, supported by Matt Vaculik, to adjourn the February 22, 2022 Regular Meeting of the Evergreen Local Board of Education.

Ayes: Smith, Vaculik, Murry, Miller, Kiefer

Nayes:

Motion Carried

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Nora Kiefer, Board President

Brian Carroll, Treasurer