

MINUTES OF THE EAST END SCHOOL BOARD

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE EAST END SCHOOL BOARD WAS HELD ON THE 10th DAY OF OCTOBER 2016. SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT WERE BRANDON AKRIDGE, DENNIS BALL, KEVIN BRADKE AND KENNY NAHLEN.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular school board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A motion was made by Kevin Bradke, seconded by Kenny Nahlen to approve, by consent, the September 12th Regular Board Minutes, the September 14th and September 27th Special Board Minutes. The vote was 4-0 with all being in favor. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mrs. Wilson's AWE Report:
 - Our school received a \$500 grant from the Conway Regional Woman's Foundation to start our new running club "Panther Tracks". The grant will help for purchasing the items for motivation for the students as well as mile trackers for the students to wear. The club will meet at lunch.
 - We are currently still using the Engage New York curriculum in math and literacy. The units are designed by people hired by the Gates foundation and have proven to cover the Arkansas standards and have a high level of rigor.
 - The morning intervention time has been going well and we are already seeing individual student gains. The teachers each have 5-10 target students that they work with each morning for 20 minutes. Those students are being consistently tracked to show areas of weakness and to show growth in those areas as a result of intervention.
 - We have team meetings Wednesday with each grade level focusing on writing. Each teacher will bring a graded sample of writing using the rubric from ACT Aspire. This area is our growth goal this year due to our low writing scores on the Aspire. The writing sample will be used a base line for the year and students will be graded mid-year and end of year to show growth among other times. Using the rubric from Aspire will be helpful in the growth of our scores.

- Dr. Gist's BHS Report:
 - Nine weeks coming to an end. Parent-Teacher conferences went well with a good number of participation. Mrs. Windle also conducted a Parent Financial Aid night on the same evening to assist parents with their FAFSA forms geared toward maximizing financial aid options.
 - As mentioned in the Annual Report we have a lot going on academically. Increased number of students in Concurrent Credit classes, large number in the AP programs as well, some classes in traditional Distance Learning (lower numbers than in past probably due to increase in Concurrent Credit). Teachers are seeking ways to improve instruction, increase learning and achievement and engage students in greater numbers.
 - Beginning the process of Periodic Assessments for the ACT Aspire. These take the place of the old "chunk tests" or formative assessment tools used to gauge student learning as we prepare for the ACT Aspire. Provides feedback to teachers about where the students are and where they need to improve.
 - Robotics Team → Ms. Balducci has taken the lead on this. Several students involved in the group. Currently working on their first competition machine.
 - Basketball teams will be playing in the FedEx Forum again this year, November 4th. Tickets can be ordered in the high school office.
 - Girls Golf team finished third in the district tournament. Boys golf team also placed third with Austin Neumeier and Garrett Rose qualifying to compete in state. Austin finished 12th in the state tournament.
 - Parent Teacher conferences, Tuesday, Sept 20 – 3:30 to 7:00 – also Parent Senior Night.
 - Football season off and running – big win versus Perryville – looking forward to big Homecoming win this week versus Mayflower.
- A motion was made by Kevin Bradke, seconded by Brandon Akridge to carry all board officer positions over for the 2016-2017 school year. The vote was 4-0 with all being in favor. Motion carried. The officers are:
 - President: Dennis Ball
 - Vice President: Kenny Nahlen
 - Secretary: Kevin Bradke
- A motion was made by Kevin Bradke, seconded by Kenny Nahlen to appoint Dennis Ball as Disbursing Officer. The vote was 4-0 with all being in favor. Motion carried.

- A motion was made by Kevin Bradke, seconded by Kenny Nahlen to accept the Petition for Transfer of Students on 3 students transferring into our district. The vote was 4-0 with all being in favor. Motion carried.

- The Board retired to executive session at 8:20 p.m.
- The Board returned from executive session at 10:00 p.m.

- A motion was made by Kevin Bradke, seconded by Kenny Nahlen to hire Chris Minette as band director for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year. The vote was 4-0 with all being in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kevin Bradke, seconded by Kenny Nahlen to adjourn. The vote was 4-0 with all being in favor. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:01 p.m.

President

Secretary

Superintendent

