

# Board Meeting Summary: February 21, 2024

## EDGAR SCHOOL DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN

**Mission Statement:** The School District of Edgar provides a safe and positive environment and is committed to continuous improvement for all students, staff and community members. Edgar Excellence embodies leadership in: curriculum & instruction, technological integration & innovation, collaboration & co-curriculars. We prepare all of our graduates to be college and career ready.

**Vision:** The Edgar Excellence environment will ensure a rigorous learning experience that equips our students for success in a global society.

**Values:** The School District of Edgar values: Edgar Excellence...Pride and Tradition! Respect & Responsibility, Teamwork, Hard Work & Integrity, Leadership, Critical Thinkers, Acceptance of All

**Staff/Student Presentation:**

Mrs. Jen Olmsted presented information on our English Language Learners (ELL) Program. Jen is currently working with 11 students.

Our Student Board representative, Cael Higgins, reported on activities occurring at the high school. The music students participated in Solo & Ensemble on Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. There are three groups going to the State competition. On Thursday, Feb. 29<sup>th</sup> the MS and HS students attended Mind Your Health Day. Students will attend a variety of sessions to learn strategies to help with their mental health. Mr. Hanson is preparing students for a program that will be held on March 4<sup>th</sup>. The Pops Concert is on March 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Dr. Guden reported on the following:**

1. Second Friday in January Pupil Count:

Date	Starting Count	Less Non-Resident Reductions (OE In)	Plus Resident Additions (OE Out)	TOTAL
2019-20 3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday in Sept	602	99	52	555
2019-20 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday in January	600	91	54	563
2020-21 3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday in Sept	571	71	57	557
2020-21 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday in January	568	70	57	555
2021-22 3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday in Sept	597	71	52	578
2021-22 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday in January	610	71	47	586
2022-23 3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday in Sept	610	75	58	593
2022-23 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday in January	612	71	57	598
2023-24 3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday in Sept	599	73	62	588
2023-24 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday in January	595	72	64	587

2. Legislative Dinner/Meeting in Medford: April 1<sup>st</sup> (Dinner starts at 5pm with Meeting to Follow)
3. Open Enrollment Dates: February 5-April 30, 2024
4. Change May 15<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting Time to 4:00pm so not to conflict with the Senior Awards Night.
5. ACT Super Scores
6. Direct Admit WI
7. Communication
  - a. MCSE January Board Highlights

**Dr. Lisa Witt reported the following:**

1. Data
  - a. FASTBridge Grades 4K-5
  - b. AGR Goals
  - c. Attendance/Behavioral Data
2. Act 20 Update
3. Preschool Screening
  - a. March 15<sup>th</sup> from 7:30am-5:00pm
4. Upcoming Dates
  - a. Elementary P/T Conferences—February 21<sup>st</sup> from 3:30-7:30pm
  - b. Staff Inservice – February 23<sup>rd</sup>
  - c. Summer School Meeting—February 26<sup>th</sup>

**Mr. Mike Wilhelm reported the following:**

1. Pre-ACT and ACT Testing: March 19<sup>th</sup>
2. Attendance/Behavioral Data
3. MS/HS P/T Conferences— February 21<sup>st</sup> from 3:30-7:30pm
4. Class of 2024 Valedictorians: Teegan Streit and Brett Baumgartner

**Mr. Rich Twomey reported the following:**

1. MCSE Track and Field Day—April 25<sup>th</sup>
2. Special Education Field Trip—February 22<sup>nd</sup>
3. Special Recognition: Dr. Kelly Kapitz, 2023 Special Education Director of the Year

**Board Members**—Megan Wesolowski informed the district that the Boys Bathroom/Locker room showers are not working properly.

**Consent Agenda**

Approved Agenda, Approve Minutes, Financial Statement & Bills for Payment for January 17, 2024—Regular Board Meeting

**Personnel**

1. Staff Hires
  - a. Mrs. Sara Farber applied for and accepted the position as .6 FTE 4K Teacher for the 2024-25 school year. The interview team is excited to have Sara join our team. The School Board approved.
2. Staff Resignations
  1. Ms. Shantel Brown submitted her letter of resignation as HS ELA Teacher. Her last day will be May 31, 2024. The School Board approved.
  2. Mr. Matt Apfelbeck submitted his letter of resignation as full-time day custodian. His last day will be Friday, February 23, 2024. The School Board approved.
3. Support Staff Layoff
  1. As stated at our last Board Meeting, we will be laying off the two elementary part time para professionals for the 2024-25 school year. These layoffs will financially assist the district in order to add the .6 FTE 4K teacher. The School Board approved.
4. Co-Curricular Resignation
  1. Mr. Colin Hanson submitted his letter of resignation as 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Coach. The School Board approved.
  2. Mr. Kaden Goodwin submitted his letter of resignation as MS Baseball Coach. The School Board approved.
5. Student Teacher
  1. Ms. Jessica Borchardt has requested to student teach in our music department. She is currently a student at UW Eau Claire. The School Board approved.

## Policy

1. Achievement Gap Reduction (AGR) Report
  - a. Mrs. Witt will present the AGR report at the meeting on Wednesday. The School Board approved.
2. WI Academic Excellence Scholarship Policy #5451.01—the Class of 2024 recipient is Teegan Streit and alternate is Brett Baumgartner. The School Board approved.
3. Technical Excellence Scholarship Policy #5451.02—the Class of 2024 recipient is Abigail Borchardt and the alternate is Jazmin Landwehr. The School Board approved.
4. Dual Credit Grading Procedure
  - a. We spent a great deal of time researching options for grading our college level courses. We presented four options that Edgar could implement for grading college courses. With each option we discussed the pros and cons. The School Board approved Option 4. This option states that a Dual Credit Course taught by an Edgar teacher, the student will get both a Quarter and Semester grade that will count toward the students GPA. A Start College Now (SCN) or Early College Credit Program (ECCP) course taught by a college professor the student will only get a semester grade, which will count toward the students GPA.
5. Overnight Fieldtrip Policy #2340
  - a. We discussed an overnight fieldtrip opportunity for the music department. They are proposing to fly to Florida next year April 12-19, 2025. Students and staff will be missing 3 days of instruction. A discussion took place that in the future we will recommend that these trips be scheduled during a time where both students and staff will not miss instructional time. These options could be the first week after the school year is over, during spring break, or during Christmas break. The School Board approved the Music Trip for April 12-19, 2025.
6. Start College Now Applications for Spring 2024
  1. We had to make a few changes in regards to a class that was originally a Dual Credit class (Edgar taught), but due to unforeseen circumstances we needed to change this course to a Start College Now course (NTC professor taught). The School Board approved.

## Finance

1. CESA 9 Services Contract 2024-25
  - a. I recommended approval of the CESA 9 contract for 2024-25 for the amount of \$42,592 which is a decrease of \$10,474 due to less days contracted. However, this decrease will not be a budget decrease since we used ESSER funding for these services last year. The School Board approved the 2024-25 CESA 9 Contract.
2. CESA 10 Services Contracts 2024-25
  - a. The cost for the services for CWETN for 2024-25 is \$15,600.00. This is an increase of \$425.00 from the 2023-24 contract.
  - b. The cost for Environmental Health and Safety Services with CESA 10 for 2024-25 is \$5,877.90. This is an increase of \$1,416.90 from the 2023-24 service contract. The School Board approved both of the 2024-25 CESA 10 Contracts.
3. ESSER III: Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan
  - a. DPI requires that school districts update their Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan twice a year. No edits have been made since August 2023. The School Board approved.

## Information Only

1. FMLA Request: Approved for a support staff for 8 weeks from April 1<sup>st</sup>-June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

**Next Regular School Board Meeting:  
Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at 6:00pm**