

# Board Meeting Summary: April 22, 2021

## 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 Presentations:**

Rob Rauen gave an update on the Maintenance Dept.

Cari Guden gave an update on the IT Dept.

Morgan Mueller gave a presentation on the Quarterly Finance Report

Cari Guden gave an update on the COVID procedures. At this time, there were no changes to report. We will continue wearing masks through the rest of the school year.

Cari Guden presented information regarding the failed referendum and the proposed budget cuts for the 2021-22 school year.

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

1. Open Enrollment Preliminary Updates- Open Enrollment Preliminary Updates-at this time we currently have received 3 applications for "Transfers In" and 13 applications for "Transfers Out" (Eleven of the thirteen transfer out applications are students that have never attended Edgar School District. The other two students come from one family and are currently Edgar enrollments.)
2. Communication
  - a. MCSE March Board Highlights

### **Mrs. Witt reported the following:**

1. Summer School Update
2. Upcoming Dates
  - a. April 21: Administrative Professionals Day
  - b. April 28: Staff Inservice Day
  - c. May 5: Teacher Appreciation Day

### **Mr. McCarty reported the following:**

1. Forward and ACT Aspire Testing
2. Senior Dates
  - a. Scholarship and Awards Night: May 12
  - b. Graduation: May 28
3. Student Activity Recognition

**Board Members—** None

### **Consent Agenda**

#### Personnel

- a. 2021-22 Teacher Contracts—The Teacher Contracts for 2021-22 were presented. Again this year, due to our compensation plan, we needed to put current year's salary on the contracts. Once each staff member completes their end of year meeting with the building level principals to determine their Educator Effectiveness rating then I will prepare an addendum to the contracts that will again need to be approved by the Board. The School Board approved the teacher contracts as presented.
- b. Elections— The official election results were presented and Mr. Corey Mueller took the Oath of Office.
- c. Co-Curricular Coaches
  1. GOTR—The School Board approved Ms. Kellyn Wieland as the second Girls on the Run Coach. Mrs. Tatro and Ms. Wieland will work together to coach the GOTR participants.

2. Volleyball Varsity Coach—The School Board approved Mr. Evan Krebsbach as the Varsity Volleyball Coach.
  3. Additional JV Assistant Coaches for Baseball and Softball ONE YEAR ONLY—We asked the School Board to consider approving a JV Assistant for this school year only due to high numbers and the need to follow COVID protocol. There are 27 girls out for softball this year. Softball is structured in a way that JV and Varsity often play at the same time but at different locations. 9 out of their 10 playing dates are at the same time with 6 of the 9 at totally different locations. As we try to limit exposure for all athletes we are asking teams to practice spaced out and separated as much as possible. This means that 1 coach will be with between 12-16 players for both practices and games. In the past parents had been asked to help coach bases in these situations, but this year, we fear this would add additional exposure to unnecessary adults. When considering the additional duties (Temperature/Symptom checks, bus seating charts, distanced dugouts and equipment) placed on coaches to make this season work we are requesting the addition of a **1 year only** JV assistant coach as a result of the COVID season to ensure that the program continues to grow, and our players can complete the season in a healthy fashion. We would ask that we add this for both softball and baseball for the above reasons. The School Board approved the additional JV Assistant Coaches for Softball and Baseball.
  4. JV Assistant Softball Coach—The School Board approved Mrs. Macy Borchardt for the one-year only JV Assistant Softball Coach.
- d. Support Staff Hire—Full Time Night Custodian
1. We interviewed four candidates and were extremely impressed with Mr. Terrence Barkley. He is very positive and upbeat and is anxious to start a new career. The School Board approved to hire Mr. Terrence (TJ) Barkley as a full time night custodian.
- e. Teacher Resignation
1. Ms. Heidi Olson submitted her letter of resignation effective June 4, 2021. Heidi has secured a teaching position in a neighboring district. The School Board approved Ms. Olson’s resignation.
- f. Teacher Retirement
1. Mrs. Tammy Anderson submitted her letter of retirement effective June 4, 2021. Tammy has taught in Edgar 31 years. She will be missed greatly. The School Board approved Mrs. Anderson’s retirement.

#### Finance

1. Reductions and Cuts
  - a. We present the list of reductions and cuts at the meeting on Thursday. The following cuts were approved by the School Board:
    - i. Do not hire an elementary teacher for the retirement
    - ii. MCSE paras will not attend all inservices next school year
    - iii. Cut district budgets (class budgets, staff instructional training, etc)
    - iv. Increase student registration fees
    - v. Increase student athletic fees
    - vi. Eliminate one bus route
    - vii. Eliminate elementary co-curriculars (5<sup>th</sup> grade basketball and GOTR)
    - viii. Increase entrance fees into athletic events
    - ix. Eliminate Summer School through the district budget (Use one time COVID money to pay for Summer School)

**Next Regular School Board Meeting:  
Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 6:00pm**