

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF EDGAR
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER
March 8, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Corey Mueller at 6:02 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Corey Mueller

Roll Call: 4 school board members + 1 student representative (Corey Mueller, Gary Lewis, Becca Normington, Pam Stahel, Carver Higgins) 4 administrators (Cari Guden, Lisa Witt, Tom McCarty, Megan Koroch), 4 guests.

Public Participation: None.

Staff/Student presentations:

- Chris Trawicki presented an Information Technology update. There have been no major outages during school time this year. Over the coming summer general updates and maintenance will be performed. New switches and wireless access points will be installed, 60% funded through government eRate. An upgraded phone system will be installed. Also, replacing scheduled Chromebooks and teacher laptops to promote remote learning as needed.
- Carver Higgins reviewed student activities. Spring sports are starting, winter sports are wrapping up. A number of students were recognized for their entries into the Marathon County art competition. Band and choir students will be going on a trip to New York and Washington, D.C., over spring break. Pops concert will be held at the end of March. Carver reported that the west parking lot is full and parking is difficult with younger students driving to school. Students are not allowed to park in the east lot for student safety when crossing the lot for outdoor activities. Tom McCarty reported that several parking spaces are taken up by snow.

Administrative Reports:

- District Administrator: Cari Guden reviewed her February meeting schedule. Communications include a notice of elections on April 4, the Nov. 2022-Jan. 2023 social media report card and Marathon County Special Education February Board highlights. Cari shared a statement with School Board members from EMC Insurance regarding the Edgar Area Trail Supporters request to build a storage building on school property. EMC said insurance costs would rise. Cari will get an estimate of increased insurance costs if the Board were to approve the EATS building.
- Elementary principal: Lisa Witt reported that preschool screening will be held March 15-16. Only 29 children registered – lower than the 50+ projected based on population surveys. With 49 students graduating this spring, the district could have a net loss of students from this year to next. A 4k survey of community preferences regarding

potential changes to the 4k program was conducted in January/February. Results were shared with Board members. Summer school planning has begun. Summer school will be held 4 days/week (no Fridays). Summer school registration will be in April. Upcoming dates: Literacy Family Fun Night with an author as a featured guest - March 16. Human growth and development for grades 4 and 5 - March 30. FORWARD exam grades 3-8 and grade 10 – April 3-13, spreading out topics on different days.

- High school principal: Tom McCarty reported on the many virtual days used this year. It was the first time virtual days were conducted on short notice. Assignments were available online by 8 a.m. Material must accommodate multiple internet capabilities. Videos might not work for some students. There must be proof of attendance and work completed by 3:30 p.m. Teachers were available by Google chat and email. Roadblocks included power outages for students and teachers, email difficulties due to low bandwidth. Teachers were prepared with paper assignments or make-up work after the virtual day. Upcoming overnight trips include FBLA: 9 students qualified for state competition in Green Bay in April. Tom shared a mid-year review of RVA: 40 students participated in single-student use for courses not offered at Edgar; 5 full-time Edgar RVA students. Cost savings of \$5,400 per student for keeping those students in the district student count. Three students who were full-time RVA students are now attending full-time in the building. The end of third quarter is March 31. Senior portfolio interviews are being scheduled.
- Special education update: Megan Koroch conducted annual reviews and reported on paraprofessional observations and feedback, including where they need support. Edgar is once again hosting spring games on April 20. Mental health committee updates – Megan is conducting a survey of the Healthy Tuesdays healthy tips and treats, and a Climate Culture survey.

Board member report:

- None

Consent Agenda:

- Approval of prior meeting agendas and minutes, financial statement and bills for payment:
 - A motion was made by Becca Normington, seconded by Pam Stahel, to approve the agenda and minutes for the Feb. 15, 2023, regular school board meeting, as well as the financial statements and payment of bills. Motion carried 4-0.
- Personnel:
 - Coach resignations: Jim Heidmann retiring as assistant boys' basketball coach. Tom McCarty resigning as head girls' basketball coach.
 - Additional spring coaching hire: Brock Handrick – JV baseball
 - FMLA request
 - A motion was made by Pam Stahel, seconded by Gary Lewis, to approve the personnel changes. Motion carried 4-0.

- Policy:
 - Election canvassers will be Morgan Mueller, Michelle Socha and Lisa Nowak. They were selected as canvassers last year, and have agreed to take on the roles and responsibilities as election canvassers once again.
 - Policy #2340: District-sponsored trips: FBLA state leadership conference in Green Bay
 - Neola updates to several policies (first reading)
 - A motion was made by Becca Normington, seconded by Pam Stahel, to approve the policies above. Motion carried 4-0.

- Finance: None.

Information only

- Cari Guden shared the following updates:
 - MCSE staff hire – Mrs. Carrie Grube as full-time paraprofessional started Feb 13. Special education is fully-staffed.
 - Neola policy technical edits were made on several policies. No approvals are needed for these edits.

Public participation: A guest asked a question about the proposed EATS building.

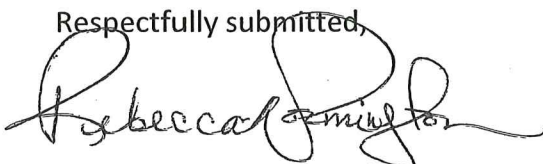
Board suggested future agenda items

- None

Adjournment:

- A motion to adjourn was made by Pam Stahel, seconded by Becca Normington. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rebecca Normington". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rebecca Normington, Clerk