

Date: March 8, 2021

Kind of Meeting  
Regular

Where Held  
Eastside Jr./Sr. High School

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Leon Steury, President

Craig Davis, Vice President

Sherri Strock, Secretary

Kelly Brown, Member

Phil Carpenter, Member

Richard Musser, Member

Matthew Snyder, Member

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Dr. Shane E. Conwell, Superintendent

Dawn Mason, Business Manager

Larry Yoder, Principal

The Board of School Trustees of the DeKalb County Eastern Community School District met in a regular meeting at 7:00 p.m., March 8, 2021.

At 7:00 p.m., Leon Steury called the meeting to order.

Minutes from the February 15, 2021, meeting were signed as presented.

Claims were approved and school board members signed the claim docket authorizing the validation of checks.

Contracts were signed as presented.

Dr. Conwell informed the board of the following resignations and retirements:

- Amber Palmer, NEISEC bus monitor resigned March 5, 2021
- Sam Reinoehl, Eastside teacher will retire end of school year

Dr. Conwell updated the board on the Eastside High School reroofing bid opening held on March 3, 2021. Dana Wannemacher from Barton-Coe-Vilamaa tabulated the findings as follows: Fort Wayne Roofing at \$1,233,300 and CentiMark Corporation at \$1,357,250. While the bids came in higher than initially expected, Barton-Coe-Vilamaa has noticed roof-project bids escalating as of late. Discussion ensued regarding the roof's current condition along with other variables warranting replacement. Phil Carpenter moved to accept the Fort Wayne Roofing bid of \$1,233,300. This motion was properly seconded and the motion carried.

Dr. Conwell gave a brief description of the following projects within DeKalb County Eastern. Eastside Jr./Sr. High School's renovated Media Center Hub is now fully operational and includes individual and group learning pods, a makerspace area, a technology support center, movable book cases and furniture throughout, and a Blazer Bean coffee shop operated by business students. Our Activate Healthcare Clinic located on Eastside's west campus is serving our employees well with medical care, prescriptions, lab work, and health/wellness support. Our transportation building continues to see an influx in vehicle maintenance and service requests from outside

agencies. Collaborations continue with the Butler Youth League as they are scheduled to break ground this spring on a Baseball/Softball Complex at Butler Elementary. We have committed to providing the dugouts and fencing surrounding the complex. Eastside Jr./Sr. High School is seeing an increase in the number of community partnerships and request for student internships. We continue to evaluate and reevaluate graduation pathway opportunities to meet our student's needs. We also look to pivot and capitalize on expedited platforms attained due to COVID (e.g. LiveStream Broadcasting events) for future use. Lastly, we aim to update and improve our district communication modes (e.g. rollout of a streamlined district website and continuation of our district newsletter and mobile app).

Mr. Carpenter moved to approve the following donations to IMPACT Institute:

- 3,000 lbs. of steel valued at \$900 to the Welding Department
- Keystone Ford fenders valued at \$1,027.20 to the Auto Body Department

This motion was properly seconded and the motion carried.

Having no further business to come before the board, Matt Snyder moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm. This motion was properly seconded and the motion carried.

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