

Date: June 19, 2023

Kind of Meeting  
Regular

Where Held  
Superintendent's Office

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Leon Steury, President

Kelly Brown, Vice President

Sherri Strock, Secretary

Craig Davis, Member

Phil Carpenter, Member

Richard Musser, Member

Matthew Snyder, Member

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Dr. Shane Conwell, Superintendent

Dawn Mason, Business Manager

Luke Cooper, Principal

Brennen Kitchen, Principal

Orie Foster, Principal

Nick Beard, Assistant Principal

Ronni Cumings, Teacher

Kirsten Schwyn, Teacher

Don Cumings, Patron

David Prokop, Teacher

John Hollabaugh, Teacher

The Board of School Trustees of the DeKalb County Eastern Community School District met in a regular meeting at 7:00 p.m., June 19, 2023.

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

Minutes from the May 15, 2023, meeting were signed as presented.

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

Jeff Qualkinbush, bond attorney from Barnes and Thornburg presented a financial resolution for the proposed Eastside Multipurpose Student Center. Phil Carpenter moved to approve the Resolution Preliminarily Approving Lease & Related Matters. This motion was properly seconded and the motion carried. The resolution was signed accordingly.

We received the following retirements:

- Jon Hollabaugh, Eastside Teacher, effective end of school year
- Sherry Fuller, Eastside Secretary, effective June 30, 2023
- John Moyer, IMPACT maintenance, effective June 30, 2023

We have received the following resignations:

- Amber Scranton, Butler Elementary Teacher, effective end of school year
- Beth Holman, Eastside Librarian, effective May 24, 2023
- Sheila Kos, Butler Elementary NEISEC Teacher, effective end of school year
- Jeff Weimer, Eastside Teacher, effective June 30, 2023
- Bruce Beard, Maintenance, effective May 2, 2023
- Cheryl Kaiser, Eastside Student Supervisor, effective May 24, 2023
- Maurice Doyle Houser, Eastside Aide, effective end of school year
- Edward Bentley, Eastside Teacher, effective June 30, 2023
- Erin Dirig, NEISEC Paraprofessional, effective June 5, 2023
- Samantha Callaway, NEISEC psychologist, effective June 1, 2023
- Sarah Bolinger, NEISEC psychologist, effective June 7, 2023

Contracts were signed as presented.

Craig Davis moved to approve a leave request for Dr. Conwell to attend the National Forum to Advance Rural Education Conference. The conference is held in Tennessee on November 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023. This motion was properly seconded and the motion carried.

The non-certified and operations salary schedule was discussed. Richard Musser moved to further review DeKalb Eastern's Local Education Agency stipend amounts. This motion was properly seconded and the motion carried. Phil Carpenter moved to approve the remaining salary schedule as presented including a 2% increase for non-certified and operation employees with an amended Superintendent increase. These contracts begin July 1, 2023. This motion was properly seconded and the motion carried.

Craig Davis moved to approve the renewal of administrator contracts beginning July 1, 2023. This motion was properly seconded and the motion carried.

As a result of awarded proposals through the Northern Indiana Educational Services Center, Sherri Strock moved to approve Piazza Produce LLC, Prairie Farms, and Gordon Food Services. This motion was properly seconded and the motion carried.

Phil Carpenter moved to approve an increase of student lunch prices \$.10 cents for 2023-2024 school year. All other prices will remain the same. This motion was properly seconded and the motion carried.


Craig Davis moved to approve the teacher handbook and student handbook changes for the 2023-2024 school year. This motion was properly seconded and the motion carried.

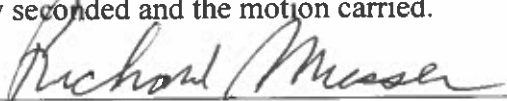
Matt Snyder moved to approve the changes to the Athletic Handbook. This motion was properly seconded and the motion carried.

Phil Carpenter moved to adopt the Board Policy revisions. This motion was properly seconded and the motion carried.

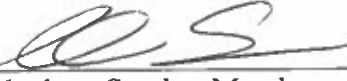
Sherri Strock moved to approve the district's return-to-in-person instruction plan having no revisions and to remain the same as the 2022-2023 school year. The district remains mask optional, maintains proper cleanings and social distancing when and where possible. This motion was properly seconded and the motion carried.

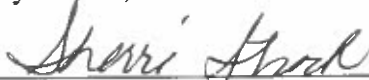
Having no further business to come before the board, Matt Snyder moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:12 p.m. This motion was properly seconded and the motion carried.

  
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Richard Musser, Member

Kelly Brown, Vice-President

  
Matthew Snyder, Member

  
Sherri Stroock, Secretary

  
Craig Davis, Member

  
Phil Carpenter, Member