EVART PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes

August 8, 2016

7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY BENGRY AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE BOARDROOM LOCATED AT 321 NORTH HEMLOCK STREET, EVART, MICHIGAN 49631.

1. ROLL CALL

Alan Bengry X, Alan Benson X, Rosie McKinstry X, Kelly Millen X,

Gerald Nichols X, Karen Pylman X, Ryan Hopkins X.

Also Present: Shirley Howard, Superintendent

Sarah Bailey, Elementary Principal

Jason O’Dell, Middle School Principal

Jessica Kolenda, High School Principal

Shelby Flint, Recording Secretary

Guests Present: Larry Lauman, Sherry Morgan

1. PRESIDENT’S REMARKS/RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

The annual Sports Boosters golf outing will be held on August 20th along with the Timberbeast 10K.

1. COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

Gerald Nichols will be absent on August 18th, and there is a MOP CO-OP meeting at the ISD at 8 AM. Kelly Millen will be going in Gerald’s place.

1. FINANCIAL

Financial items placed on file.

1. ACTION ITEMS
   1. Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held July 11, 2016.

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MOVED BY MCKINSTRY, SUPPORTED BY HOPKINS TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD JULY 11, 2016.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Results: Carried

B. Payment of Bills

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MOVED BY HOPKINS, SUPPORTED BY MCKINSTRY THAT THE

TREASURER’S REPORT OF DISBURSEMENTS BE APPROVED AS

PRESENTED.

General Fund invoices be approved for checks #40727 through #40790 in the amount of $243,319.03 and the July 1st, 15th and 29th payrolls and benefits in the amount of $558,512.95.

Hot Lunch Fund invoices to be approved for checks #6457 through #6459 in the amount of $10,998.09.

Trust and Agency Fund invoices to be approved for checks #16507 through #16509 in the amount of $3,244.00.

Athletic Fund invoices to be approved for checks #8349 through #8352 in the amount

of $17,160.17.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Results: Carried

1. Recommendation to approve the resolution calling for the Regular School Election.

**( Pages 32-35 )**

MOVED BY PYLMAN, SUPPORTED BY MILLEN TO APPROVE THE

RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Results: Carried

F. Consideration of accepting a milk bid from Prairie Farms.

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MOVED BY MILLEN, SUPPORTED BY MCKINSTRY TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM PRAIRIE FARM FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Results: Carried

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G. Final Reading of the revised Elementary Student Handbook for 2016-2017.

H. Final Reading of the revised Middle School Student Handbook for 2016-2017.

I. Final Reading of the revised High School Student Handbook for 2016-2017.

J. Recommendation to approve Jayme Smith as the 7th Grade girls’ volleyball coach.

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MOVED BY HOPKINS, SUPPORTED BY PYLMAN TO APPROVE JAYME SMITH AS THE 7TH GRADE GIRLS’ VOLLEYBALL COACH.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Results: Carried

K. Recommendation to approve the resignation of Pat Craven as the Special Education Teacher and Athletic Director.

MOVED BY BENSON, SUPPORTED BY MILLEN TO APPROVE THE RESIGNATION OF PAT CRAVEN AS THE SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER

AND ATHLETIC DIRECTOR.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Results: Carried

L. Recommendation to approve Sarah Johnson as a high school teacher, effective July 15, 2016.

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MOVED BY MCKINSTRY, SUPPORTED BY PYLMAN TO APPROVE THE

HIRING OF SARAH JOHNSON AS A HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER, EFFECTIVE JULY 15, 2016.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Results: Carried

M. Consideration to approve the Cross Country team to attend an overnight camp at Eagle Village.

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MOVED BY MILLEN, SUPPORTED BY BENSON TO APPROVE THE CROSS COUNTRY TEAM TO ATTEND AN OVERNIGHT CAMP AT EAGLE VILLAGE.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Results: Carried

N. Recommendation to approve the resignation of Liz McPherson as an Elementary Aide,

effective July 27, 2016.

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MOVED BY BENSON, SUPPORTED BY MILLEN TO APPROVE THE

RESIGNATION OF LIZ MCPHERSON AS THE ELEMENTARY AIDE, EFFECTIVE JULY 27, 2016.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Results: Carried

1. DISCUSSION

A. A motion to pay Diana Craven for the Choir Performances was passed.

MOVED BY MCKINSTRY, SUPPORTED BY HOPKINS TO AUTHORIZE THE SUPERINTENDENT TO PAY FOR 2 CHOIR PERFORMANCES FOR THE 2015-16 SCHOOL YEAR.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Results: Carried

1. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT
2. Industrial Arts Position – We may have found someone for this position but will know more on Tuesday, August 9th. He is a retired Industrial Arts teacher currently living in Evart.
3. Calendar – We will be following the calendar as originally published. We have in writing from the state that it is okay for our students to start on August 25th. We will have our opening day professional development on Tuesday, August 23rd at 12:30 in the high school cafeteria for all staff.
4. Summer Projects Update – Roof is almost completed at the Middle School. Pavement is completed at the Elementary and High School. They will be redoing the parking lot at the Middle School the week of August 15th. New doors are being installed in all three buildings. The new bleachers at the Middle School will be installed the week of August 22nd. We would like to have the painting of the gym completed before the new bleachers are installed. The vestibule at the Elementary School will not be completed when school starts, however I have been assured that this will not delay school opening.
5. We are experiencing vandalism at the elementary playground. Our local law enforcement has suggested not allowing children to be on the playground without adult supervision. We would need to put up signs informing the public of our new policy. This is a difficult decision because we want children to enjoy the playground and the damage is not being done by young students. The administration will have further discussion and come back to you in September with a recommendation.
6. We are really in need of a newer maintenance truck. Al has suggested selling all the old busses, old truck, etc. and using the proceeds to help finance a newer truck. He will compile a list of items that I will bring to you at our next meeting.
7. I was approached by a company who wanted the board to sponsor and advertisement in the program for the Cross Country meet to be held at Carson City. The board is not interested in doing this.
8. Please think about a mileage reimbursement policy for Evart school employees.
9. Athletic Director – Jay Wallace is interested in serving as the Athletic/Special Education Director.

A. Recommendation to go into Executive Session under Section 8(C) of the Open Meetings Act.

MOVED BY MCKINSTRY, SUPPORTED BY PYLMAN TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER 8(C) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

Roll Call Vote:

Benson Y Hopkins Y

McKinstry Y Millen Y

Nichols Y Pylman Y Bengry Y

MOVED BY HOPKINS, SUPPORTED BY MILLEN TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:25 PM.

Roll Call Vote:

McKinstry Y Hopkins Y

Millen Y Pylman Y

Nichols Y Bengry Y Benson Y

As a results of Executive Session, the following recommendation was made:

MOVED BY MCKINSTRY, SUPPORTED BY PYLMAN TO APPROVE THE EVART EDUCATION ASSOCIATION MASTER AGREEMENT THAT EXPIRES AUGUST 15, 2019.

Roll Call Vote:

Millen Y Bengry Y

Nichols Y Benson Y

Pylman Y McKinstry Y Hopkins Y

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Abstain: 3 Results: Carried

1. PRESIDENT’S REMARKS/RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

Shirley Howard has set a date to have an employee recognition lunch at the High School Cafeteria at 12:30 on August 23rd.

1. ADJOURNMENT

A. Recommendation to adjourn.

MOVED BY BENSON, SUPPORTED BY MILLEN THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Results: Carried

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.