

AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
EAST HELENA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 9
Monday, February 14, 2022

EASTGATE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REVIEW OF AGENDA

HEAR THE PUBLIC

REPORTS

1. Principal and Technology Reports
2. Student Report
3. Trustee and Committee Reports of the K – 12 Board
4. Strategic Planning- Scan for Future Needs
5. Notifications of Retirements and Resignations

CONSENT ACTION ITEMS

- A. Minutes of Regular Meeting January 10, 2022; Special Meeting Feb 1, 2022
- B. Approval of February 2022 Former & New Warrants
- C. Personnel Actions

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. COVID Update
2. TA Grant Contract Review
3. 2022-23 Preliminary Budget Projections

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration of Resolution #228 Calling for a Mail Ballot Election
2. Consideration of Crest insignia to represent EHHS
3. Consideration of Resolution #227 - East Helena Heritage Day, "2/27"
4. Insurance Update
5. 2022-2023 Academic Calendar Consideration
6. Indian Education Activity Update
7. School Board Evaluation of Clerk/Business Manager.

FUTURE MEETING DATES AND AGENDA ITEMS

Special Meeting Consideration - Strategic Planning possible dates March 2,3,7,8,9
Regular Meeting – March 14th, 2022 @ East Valley Middle School

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Citizen Participation

All citizens are welcome and are encouraged to attend all meetings of the Board. In accordance with Montana Open Meeting Law (2-3-203, MCA) it is required that citizens have an opportunity to address the Board. All Board of Trustees meetings in which a quorum is present shall include an agenda item called 'Hear the Public.' The Board shall adopt the following guidelines for this agenda item.

Hear the Public

Persons wanting to address the Board of Trustees on items not on the agenda can do so at this time.

- a. Each person may address the Board at the time designated in the agenda by stepping to the front of the room or the podium, giving their name and address in an audible tone of voice for the record. Each individual shall limit his/her comments to the Board to three (3) minutes.
- b. All remarks shall be addressed to the Board only and NOT to any member of the Board, staff or audience.
- c. No person, other than the Board and the person having the floor, shall be permitted to enter into any discussion either directly or through a member of the Board, without the permission of the Presiding Officer.
- d. No questions shall be directed towards any individuals except through the Presiding Officer.
- e. Under Rules of Order, questions cannot be answered by the Board, only heard. The Board is not under any obligation to respond. It is illegal for the Board to take any action on the comments.
- f. Speakers will not mention specific names of individuals in a public forum due to rights of privacy. Individual attacks will NOT be tolerated.
- g. Comments made by the person addressing the Board do not represent the opinions of the Board, or staff and are only the expressed opinion of the speaker.

Dan Rispens is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: February EHPS Board Meeting

Time: Feb 14, 2022 05:30 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2022 BOARD MEETING
TRUSTEE INFORMATION PACKET
EASTGATE ELEMENTARY
5:30 P.M.

HEAR THE PUBLIC

COMMENTARY: We will adhere to the Board guidelines as noted on the back of the agenda.

SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATION: Strictly an Information Item.

REPORTS

1. Principals Reports -

- a. Building Admins will report and be available for questions.

2. Student Report

- a. The Board will have the opportunity to hear about the EHHS Dual Credit program and progress.

3. Trustee and Committee Reports –

- a. The Board will hear reports from any Committees that have met since the last regular Board Meeting.

4. Strategic Planning -Scan for Future Needs

- a. The Board Chair will seek input from Board Members about future planning items that may need strategic planning consideration.

5. Notifications of Retirements and Resignations

- a. The following staff resignations have previously been accepted:

- I. James Huber -Paraprofessional
- II. Austin Waldbillig -High School English Teacher

CONSENT AGENDA

COMMENTARY: There are Board documents presented that reflect the minutes of the last Board meeting(s), the warrants to be paid, and Personnel Actions which include recommendations of personnel to employ.

- A. Minutes 1/10/2022; 2/1/2022
- B. Pay Warrants
- C. Personnel Action

a. Recommended Employment of Staff

- Kaydee Strum -Kitchen Aid
- Kaitlyn Caltabiano -Substitute
- Ryan Murgel -EHHS Head Tennis Coach
- Megan Murgel -EHHS Tennis Assistant Coach
- Megan Surginer -EHHS Softball Head Coach
- Kima Rosling -EHHS Assistant Softball Coach
- Jon Moore -EHHS Head Track Coach
- Delane Erickson -Assistant Wrestling Coach
- Elizabeth Thomas -Substitute
- Hayleigh Holmlund -Substitute
- Megan Surginer -Summer PALS Lead Teacher
- Amy Pollington -Summer PALS Lead Teacher
- Michelle Olds -Assistant Foods Supervisor
- Debbie Dunlap -Summer PALS Secretary
- Bret Charlton -EHHS Assistant Track Coach
- Riley Sampson -EHHS Assistant Track Coach

Commonly no debate is allowed when using a consent agenda on any item on the agenda and the motion to approve the consent agenda items is passed with a single motion. If any Trustee wishes to discuss an item on the consent agenda, it should be removed from the Consent Agenda Motion and debated separately.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: Action Item. A motion should be made to approve the consent agenda items as presented.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. EHPS COVID – Update

COMMENTARY: The Board Members and Community will be given an update to the efforts of the teachers and administration to educate and protect kids from the COVID virus. This update will include details about the level of COVID Infection in schools and our efforts to slow the spread of COVID 19.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: Information Item.

2. TA Grant Contract Review

COMMENTARY: The proposed contract for the Transportation Alternatives Grant is included for the Board's review. The project will install a permanent sidewalk along Lewis Street between EVMS and Valley Drive as well as a sidewalk along Valley Drive past the Cemetery. Although the project will cost around a half million dollars, the School District share is projected to be less than \$70,000. There is money set aside in our interlocal agreement to pay these bills when they come due. The final version will call for the Board Chair's signature rather than the Superintendent's.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: Action item Recommend approving the agreement.

3. 2022-23 Preliminary Budget Projections

COMMENTARY: The Board will have the opportunity to review and discuss budget projections for the general fund as well as the funds outside the general fund. The projections show projected budget balances as well as local tax levy amounts The projected adjustments for FY 23 are indicated as well. The Board will have to take initial action on the permissive levies at the March meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: Information item

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration of Resolution #228 calling for a mail ballot election

COMMENTARY: The resolution is included in the packet.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: Action item - Recommend approving the resolution

2. Consideration of artwork for EHHS Crest Insignia

COMMENTARY: EHHS Admin requested an artwork submission from Jostens for a school crest. The crest will represent our school for decades to come. The proposed artwork is included in your packet.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: Action Item - Recommend approving the new EHHS Crest.

3. Consideration of Resolution #227

COMMENTARY: The date Feb 27 (2/27) has gained notoriety lately among longtime East Helena locals as "East Helena Day." The date is based on the landline phone prefix, "227" which was typical for East Helena residences. This proposed resolution makes it official that Feb 27 is East Helena Heritage Day in the East Helena Schools and all students will have the opportunity to learn about the heritage of their hometown. A committee of teachers and administrators has been working on activities for all students to mark our inaugural "East Helena Heritage Day." In this inaugural observation, Feb 27 falls on a Sunday, so students will observe the day the week prior or after the weekend.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: Action item - Recommend approving the resolution

4. Insurance Update

COMMENTARY: Kim will share information with the Board about the financial health of our self insurance fund for district health insurance.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: Information item

5. 2022-23 Academic Calendar Consideration.

COMMENTARY: The calendar committee presented staff with three proposed calendars for the 2022-23 academic year. The options are included in your packet. The staff preference was overwhelmingly in favor of Option A. The Board will have the opportunity to discuss and consider Helena's Vigilante Day as an additional day off in their action to adopt a calendar.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: Action Item. Recommend Adoption of Calendar A with or without Vigilante Day at the Board's discretion.

6. Indian Education Activity Update

COMMENTARY: The Board will have the opportunity to learn about the activities of the district's Indian Impact Teacher as well as the Indian Ed grant which partially funds the position. Kim Metzger and Brenda Stoltz will discuss the grant and activities with the Board.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: Information

7. Board Evaluation of Clerk/Business Manager

COMMENTARY: The Board will conduct the annual required evaluation of the Clerk's performance. The Trustees will review the Superintendent's evaluation and provide feedback to the Clerk.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: Information/action item

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