

EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II SCHOOLS

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EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II BOARD OF EDUCATION

DECEMBER 19, 2023 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Board President Ben Thies called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. in the East Carter County R-II Elementary Cafeteria. The following Board members were present: Ben Thies, Stonie Croy, Darrell Emery, JoEllen Carter and Bryan House. John Walker and Becky Fischer were not in attendance. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Richard Sullivan, High School Principal Matt Stahl, Middle School Principal Corey Jameson, Elementary Principal Kacie Kendrick, SpEd Director Veronica Hollis, Network Administrator Connor Kelch, Bookkeeper Jamie Shaffer and Board Secretary Kathey Dalton. Also present were Ebby Miller, Melissa Colyott, Kendra Asher, Laney Asher, Susie Fann and Keith Eudaley.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Sullivan reported the electric bill was down \$37.64 from this time last year. The water damage in the elementary gym and lobby is almost dry. The gym floor only had one spot that was determined to be of concern and ServPro used a drying mat to pull the moisture out. The reclamation process will begin after the walls have completed drying. Our winter programs have been very well attended. Dr. Sullivan congratulated the High School Cheerleaders on winning State. Bills were discussed.

Minutes/Bills

The Board approved the November 16, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Minutes and bills were approved as presented.

New Business

The Board approved the Jr. Beta State trip with the District providing bus, driver, registration, lodging and meals for Chaperones and Bus Drivers. The Board approved the Budget Amendment for 2023-24 (FY'24) as presented. The Board approved the Superintendent of Schools to spend up to \$100,000 on a used school bus that meets district needs by May 1, 2024. The Board voted to reject all proposals for playground equipment and authorize the Superintendent of Schools to spend \$100,000 with a \$10,000 fluctuation to work with a Little Tykes representative to install inclusive playground equipment and cushioning/safety surfaces. Dr. Sullivan discussed the CSIP District Report Card. The MSIP 6 District Comprehensive School Improvement Plan were discussed. The Board approved the ECC MSIP 6 Elementary Building School Improvement Plan, ECC MSIP 6 Middle School Building School Improvement plan and the ECC MSIP 6 High School Building School Improvement Plan. The Board approved the CSIP

Gifted Program Evaluation, CSIP Homeless Program Evaluation, CSIP Migrant Program Evaluation and the CSIP Safety and Emergency Preparedness Program Evaluation. The Board approved to move the January Board Meeting to Thursday, January 18, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Elementary Cafeteria and approved to hold a silent auction for the old cafeteria tables and chairs.

Old Business

None

Staff/Committee Reports

CTA member Kendra Asher read a Thank You note from Brittany Stahl. Kendra said the elementary Christmas concert was well attended. The tree decorating competition raised over \$1,000 and intramural games wrapped up. Middle School Band/Choir concert went well and the Band participated in a couple Christmas parades. Jr. Beta/MS STUCCO collected boxes of food for the adopt a child program and help distribute presents. They also collected shampoo and conditioner to give out at the Bread-shed and helped with Thanksgiving dinner. Middle school boys and girls basketball come away with 1st place trophies. Pat Brown was chosen as December Teacher recognition. We received a Steam Grant that we are using to purchase robots for Coding Club and the high school band/choir concert went well. Sara Newberry held mock interviews in the high school and our high school cheerleaders are State Champions. High school boys junior varsity won 2nd place and varsity won 4th place in tournament. Matt Stahl said our high school girls basketball team is 3rd in the recent State Ranking.

Executive Session

The Executive session meeting was called to order by Board President Ben Thies at 4:35 p.m. The Board approved the November 16, 2023 Executive Minutes. The Board approved Janice Cooley as a substitute teacher. The Board approved the Early Graduation list as presented with students meeting all ECC graduation requirements and approved the move of Britney Croy to ECSE Companion Aide and Britney Hampton from Companion Aide to SpEd Classroom Paraprofessional. The Board approved to hire Mandy Owen as Companion Aide. Meeting was adjourned at 5:12 p.m.