

**EMINENCE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**September 17, 2020**

The Eminence Community School Corporation Board of Trustees held the monthly Public Board Meeting on Thursday, September 17, in the Media Center.

**I. Call To Order**

Jeff Saucerman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**II. Welcome**

President Jeff Saucerman asked everyone to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Andrew Finney, Jennifer Bales, Brent Pottorff and Jeff Saucerman. Todd Shupe was not in attendance. Superintendent Laura Penman, Treasurer Michele Tracy, and Deputy Treasurer Susan Shupe were present. Principals Dustin Adams and Brian Burelison were available to present to the Board and answer questions.

**III. Patron Comments**

No patron comments.

**IV. Consent Agenda**

**Approval of Minutes-Regular and Executive Meeting/August 20, 2020**

**Personnel-**

**Hire: Jonathan Dickinson** ECA Sub Driver

**Mande Watkins** Freshmen Class Sponsor

**Diana Rumbaugh** Sophomore Class Sponsor

**Ida Ringler** Senior Class Sponsor

**Heather Sutherlin** Drama Sponsor

**Heather Sutherlin** HS Musical Director

**Brian Burelison** HS Student Council Sponsor

**Jonathan Dickinson** 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach

**James Wood** 8th Grade Boys Basketball Coach

**Tony Barrett** Varsity Baseball Coach

**Ryan Ringler** Assistant Baseball Coach

**Resignation: Rachel Peine** K-1 Teacher

The Consent Agenda items were approved with a motion made by Jennifer Bales and seconded by Andrew Finney with a vote 3-0-1. Brent Pottorff abstained.

**Claims 1-46 \$111,302.04**

The above item was approved with a motion made by Brent Pottorff and seconded by Andrew Finney with a vote 4-0.

**V. Superintendent's Recommendations/Requests**

**A. Assistant to the Principal**

The Board approved Jama Hoover as Assistant to the Principal for the 2020-21 SY with a motion made by Brent Pottorff and seconded by Jeff Saucerman with a vote 4-0. Mrs. Hoover will be assisting Mr. Burelison and Mr. Adams with responsibilities that include, but are not limited to: discipline, safety coordinator, IA evaluator.

## **B. YMCA Before/After School Care**

The Board approved ECSC partnering with the YMCA to provide before/after school care with a motion made by Andrew Finney and seconded by Jeff Saucerman with a vote 4-0.

## **C. Permission to Submit Grants**

The Board approved permission to submit national, state, and local grants during the 2020-21 SY with a motion made by Brent Pottorff and seconded by Jennifer Bales with a vote 4-0.

## **D. Update to Policy 5462**

The Board approved updating **Policy 5462 Retaking A Class** per Counselor Sights' suggestions with a motion made by Andrew Finney and seconded by Jeff Saucerman with a vote 4-0.

## **E. TAG Policy 3220.01**

The Board approved to reaffirm the Teacher Appreciation Grant Policy 3220.01 for 2020 with a motion made by Brent Pottorff and seconded by Jennifer Bales with a vote 4-0.

## **F. Health and Safety Plan Updates**

The Board approved the health and safety plan updates with a motion made by Jennifer Bales and seconded by Brent Pottorff with a vote 4-0.

## **G. eWaste**

The Board approved the eWaste disposal list submitted by IT Director Ariel Burger with a motion made by Andrew Finney and seconded by Jennifer Bales with a vote 4-0.

## **H. Donations**

**Chet Cromer \$500/Athletics**

**WN Electric \$800/Cross Country**

**Jerry Watkins \$250/Cross Country**

**Morgan County Community Foundation \$717.15**

**John & Amy Grider/Amie Bule \$200 MS VB Team Shirts**

The Board approved accepting donations with a motion made by Andrew Finney and seconded by Jeff Saucerman with a vote 4-0.

## **I. NEOLA Policies 2nd Reading**

[po0151 - Organizational Meeting](#)

[po0152 - Officers](#)

[po0154 - Motions](#)

[po0155 - Committees](#)

[po0167.2 - Executive Session](#)

[po0171.4 - Treasurer](#)

[po2266 - Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities](#)

[po2370.05 - Virtual Education Program](#)

[po3120.11 - Public Hearing Before Commencement of Collective Bargaining](#)

[po5111 - Determination of Legal Settlement and Eligibility for Enrollment of Students without Legal Settlement in the Corporation](#)

[po5460 - Graduation Requirements](#)

[po6105 - Authorization to Accept and Distribute Electronic Records and to Use Electronic Signature](#)

[po6250 - Required ADM Counts for the Purpose of State Funding](#)

po7540.02 - Web Accessibility, Content, APPS, and Services

po8330 - Student Records

po8420.01 - Pandemics and Epidemics

po8450 - Control of Casual-Contact Communicable Diseases

po8450.01 - Protective Facial Coverings During Pandemic/Epidemic Events

The Board approved above NEOLA policies with a motion made by Brent Pottorff and seconded by Jennifer Bales with a vote 4-0.

**VI. Monthly ECA Reports**

Board Members reviewed:

ECA Report Jr/Sr High

ECA Report Elementary

ECA Credit Card Report

**VII. Corporation Treasurer Report**

**After Checks AP Voucher**

**BNY Mellon**

Board Members reviewed Corporation Treasurer Report

**VIII. Other Business**

**August Technology Report- Annie Burns**

**Fundraiser**

**MS Volleyball TShirt Sales**

**ADM September 18**

**Audit Information Exit Interview Complete**

**Out of State Trip Washington DC trip 2023**

**Sixth Grade Trip Mr. Adams would like overnight trip when possible**

**Board Minutes Posting to Website Beginning August 2020**

**SSSR Grant School Safety Grant received**

**Bargaining Public Hearing September 2**

**Bargaining Collective Bargaining opened September 15**

**Junior Basketball League Plans to continue the league with approval from MCHD**

**Hicks & Sons Carpeting Classroom Carpeting classroom to complete elementary building**

**Robotics The possibility of competitions**

**Archery Adding a new sport**

**Principals Positives**

**Mr. Burelison:** Visiting classrooms; Staff is optimistic; Pathways- student led projects; Mrs. Hoover assisting with improvements; Staff leading PD; Striving for HS STEM certification

**Mr. Adams:** Positive effect of two principals- increased attention at the elementary level; discipline is tighter; data share has improved; tiered intervention is more specific and dependable; teachers feel increased support. Parents are working well with the school to instill covid precautions.

**Mrs. Penman shared-**

Mrs. Penman,

Hello! We have not met, but I am Stephanie Wigal. I work with Centerstone and provide life skills in the classroom, out of the classroom, and in the community throughout Morgan County. My personal child goes to Martinsville school. I must say I am truly impressed by Eminence this year! I brag about the school all the time to coworkers and friends. You and your staff have made the best choices in a bad situation.

Stephanie Wigal

**IX. Adjourned**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 pm.

**Next Public Meeting: October 1, 2020**

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**Jeff Saucerman, President**

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**Brent Pottorff, Secretary**