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EASTON BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

May 9, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.

Helen Keller Middle School Learning Commons

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRtQ6dze5a8x5XT5LzBnDHA>

Minutes

ATTENDANCE

Board members: Hicks, Parker, Stinson, Young

Board members (Remote): Wible

Administration: Clapp, Del Conte, Fox Santora, McKinnon, Pierson Ugol

CALL TO ORDER

R. Hicks called the Easton Board of Education Regular meeting to order at 7:02pm.

CONSENT AGENDA

We are skipping the approval of the minutes from the April 18th, 2023 Easton Board of Education and come back to that next time since they were not posted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Ms. Fox Santora provided an update about Samuel Staples Elementary School. She discussed the donation (Green Grant) from ELF for \$6,000, Teacher Appreciation Week, Invention Convention finalists, and Nature's Classroom. She also provided an update on Kindergarten enrollment (92 packets picked up).

MOTION: Move that the Board approve the ELF donation in the amount of \$6,000.. (Stinson, Young) Approved 5-0.

Dr. Clapp provided an update about Helen Keller Middle School. The middle school also has a new garden. He also provided an update on Teacher Appreciation Week and let the Board know that the report included many end of year events.

Dr. McKinnon provided an update on the Special Education Focus Groups. He explained that he's using that information and other data to come up with a strategic plan focused on special education. It will be broken down into four domains and be developed between now and the June meeting. Then at the June

meeting he will share the concepts and get some input. He also thanked teachers and staff as well as the PTO and leaders for their dedication to our students.

Dr. Pierson Ugol provided a vision for the curriculum update. She indicated that most curriculum is posted and provided a walkthrough of its location. She noted that some curriculum is missing due to formatting, but the public should email with questions. A. Young noted that it would be helpful for documents to be dated with changes made and that we continue to increase transparency in this area.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: FISCAL YEAR END PROJECTIONS

R. Hicks explained the process. The Board engaged in a discussion about how to approach the process this year. The Board plans to have a deeper discussion about the fiscal year end projections at the June meeting. The Board also had a discussion about water problems at Helen Keller and how to address it.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

J. Stinson provided an update on the joint negotiations committee work. They will be ready to make recommendations at the Tri-Board meeting

D. Wible stated that the next Curriculum Committee meeting will be on June 6th.

MOTION: Move that the Easton Board of Education add an agenda item to discuss moving the June meeting date. (Stinson, Parker). Approved 5-0.

The Board discussed possible June dates and landed on June 12th, 7:00 pm.

MOTION: Move that the Easton Board of Education change the June 13th meeting to a Special Meeting on June 12th at 7pm. (Stinson, Young). Approved 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Move that the Easton Board of Education Regular meeting be adjourned. (Parker, Stinson). Approved 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03pm

Recorded by Renee Lazor
Submitted Devon Wible
Secretary, Easton Board of Education