

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES**  
**ELKHART LAKE-GLENBEULAH SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**MAY 20, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah was called to order by the president at 6:00pm on Monday, May 20, 2024.

Roll call was taken and the following members were present:

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| ➤ Mike Meeusen  | ➤ Amanda Gebert                                 |
| ➤ Sarah Tegen   | ➤ Sarah Rudnick                                 |
| ➤ Grant Stecker | ➤ Ryan Vanderkin                                |
| ➤ Erica Spatz   | ➤ District Administrator, Dr. Adam Englebretson |

Also in attendance were:

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| ➤ Debbie Hammann    | ➤ Addison Spatz    |
| ➤ Jeanne Courneene  | ➤ Conrad Orth      |
| ➤ Ryan Faris        | ➤ Wendy Orth       |
| ➤ Kayla Groh-Bardon | ➤ Ellison DeZwarte |
| ➤ Jeremy Harrison   |                    |

Mrs. Rudnick offered a motion to approve the agenda as the official order of business. Mrs. Tegen seconded the motion. Motion carried, 7 ayes.

Mrs. Spatz offered a motion to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2024, Board meeting. Mr. Vanderkin seconded the motion. Motion carried, 7 ayes.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

The treasurer's report and voucher review were presented showing:

As of April 1, 2024 -

Cash balance on 4/1/24	\$4,956,664.86
February receipts	\$ 250,833.53
Interest received	\$ 21,197.47
February disbursements	<u>\$ 586,193.01</u>
Cash balance on 4/30/24	\$4,642,502.85

Cash balance on 4/1/24 comprised of:

Local Government Investment Pool account #1 (general)	\$4,332,933.83
Account #2 (technology)	\$ 239,089.06
Account #3 (HVAC)	\$ 58,483.72
General fund checking account	<u>\$ 12,041.24</u>
Total	\$4,642,502.85

Mrs. Spatz offered a motion to approve the monthly financial report and voucher review. Mrs. Rudnick seconded the motion. Motion carried, 7 ayes.

Mrs. Groh-Bardon presented the year-to-date status of revenues and expenses. Total District revenues and expenditures are comparable to the previous years. Grant claiming needs to be done to close out the year, and summer projects will be completed in June. April tax settlement included in the Board packet for review.

Under donation recognition and acceptance, Dr. Englebretson noted the following:

- Dare to Dream Theatre: \$160.72 – 7th Grade
- Johnsonville Rod and Gun Club: \$200 – 6th Grade Field Trip
- Kay and Wayne Thuecks, Joel and Sandi Weber and Glenna Rhoades on behalf of Elivra Weber: \$400 – High School
- Larry Knowles: \$50 – Baseball
- Taylor and Tyler Hill: \$210 – 3rd Grade Class
- Winooski Bowmen Archery Club: \$100 - 6th Grade Field Trip

Mrs. Rudnick offered a motion to accept the donations as presented and thanked the donors for their generosity. Mrs. Spatz seconded the motion. Motion carried, 7 ayes.

### **GUEST CORRESPONDENCE**

Public Comment: None

Written Comment: None

### **SCHOOL REPORTS**

Under Celebrate Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah Schools: Jeremy Harrison, co-advisor for MS Student Government, along with Addison Spatz and Conrad Orth, shared initiatives and activities during the 2023 - 2024 school year. The list included Homecoming dress-up week, pumpkin decorating contest, a very successful breakfast item collection drive for the Plymouth Food Pantry, “thankful for” leaves, a penny war for Copper’s (district’s police dog) birthday, pie-in-the-face contest and coffee/tea and bread for the staff during Teacher Appreciation Week.

Mrs. Hamman’s grades 4K-2 activities report included year-end district MAPs assessments completed, teachers exceeding their professional student learning objectives goals and reading specialist interviews. She thanked the PTA, Student Government, Siebkens and administration for all they did to celebrate Teacher Appreciation week. We will wrap up the school year with many field trips to Bookworm Gardens, Discovery World and Mulberry Lane Farm.

Dr. Courneene’s grades 3-8 activities report included completed MAPS testing and staff finalizing their student learning objectives. She complemented the staff for their outstanding work during our first year of implementing the Wit & Wisdom reading program and stated that Really Great Reading is being reviewed for grades 4k - grade 3 foundational reading program. She congratulated the students of the month for April and shared news of \$500 from the National Resources Foundation of Wisconsin “Go Outside” grant. This grant helps to connect youth to nature-based learning experiences. The end of the school year will include field trips to Camp Anokijig, Sheboygan County Marsh and the 8th grade bike trip. Congratulations to Carrie Jadin and Tami Gabrielse who received Excellence in Education Awards.

Mr. Faris' grades 9-12 activities report included finalizing the block schedule for the 2024-2025 school year. He congratulated the students and staff involved with Scholarship Night, Outstanding Senior Night, Prom and the spring Band/Choir concert. Mr. Faris congratulated Coryn Fromm and Abby Tegen who will play in the WBCA All-Star games this summer. He wished good luck to all spring sport athletes as they head into regional action over the next couple of weeks. Congratulations to Bart Larson and Ken Loest who received Excellence in Education Awards.

Dr. Englebretson gave an update on the district leadership team who continue to have conversations on how our teacher compensation model is tied to Educator Effectiveness.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

The district celebrated **Teacher Appreciation Week** every day from May 6 - May 10. Some of the activities included: treats in the lounge, Student Council Student Government breakfast, cookies delivered to classrooms, PTA lounge treats and raffles, and ELG spirit wear. We thank everyone for their hard work and efforts.

**Ellison DeZwarte** presented her project to complete the **Global Education Achievement Certificate**. She will be making snake boards with students during Community Service Day on Friday, May 24.

The Board nominated and elected **2024-2025 School Board Officers**:

- **President** - Mrs. Tegen nominated **Mr. Mike Meeusen**. Mrs. Spatz made a motion to elect Mike Meeusen as President, Mrs. Rudnick seconded the motion. Motion carried, 6 ayes.
- **Vice President** - Mrs. Spatz nominated **Mrs. Sarah Tegen**. Mr. Stecker made a motion to elect Sarah Tegen as Vice President, Mrs. Gebert seconded the motion. Motion carried, 6 ayes.
- **Treasurer** - Mrs. Tegen nominated **Mr. Grant Stecker**. Mrs. Gebert made a motion to elect Grant Stecker as Treasurer, Mrs. Spatz seconded the motion. Motion carried, 6 ayes.
- **Secretary / Clerk** - Mrs. Gebert nominated **Mrs. Erica Spatz**. Mr. Stecker made a motion to elect Erica Spatz as Secretary / Clerk, Mrs. Tegen seconded the motion. Motion carried, 6 ayes.

Mr. Vanderkin offered a motion to continue using the **Plymouth Review as the District's official media outlet**. Mrs. Tegen seconded the motion. Motion carried, 7 ayes.

Mrs. Rudnick offered a motion to continue using **Renning, Lewis and Lacy as the District's legal counsel**. Mrs. Spatz seconded the motion. Motion carried, 7 ayes.

Mr. Vanderkin offered a motion to continue using **National Exchange Bank as the District's depository**. Mr. Stecker seconded the motion. Motion carried, 7 ayes.

Each year, the Board approves **open enrollment** students. There are 19 open enrollment IN applications and 6 applications OUT. Mrs. Spatz offered a motion to accept the open enrollment counts, with the exception of one student. Mrs. Tegen seconded the motion. Motion carried, 7 ayes.

Mrs. Rudnick offered a motion to approve the **CESA 7 Service Contract** for the services currently contracted (orientation and mobility, deaf and hard of hearing and educational audiology services). Mrs. Gebert seconded the motion. Motion carried, 7 ayes.

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Mrs. Spatz made a motion to approve the following **resignations / retirements** as presented and to thank the staff members for their service to the District:

- Auditorium Technical Director: Brittany Schneider
- High School Science Teacher: Neal Schmidt
- Child Care Director: Diane Schwaller

Mr. Vanderkin seconded the motion. Motion carried, 7 ayes.

Mrs. Rudnick offered a motion to approve the **co/extra-curricular assignments** for the 2024-2025 school year. Mrs. Gebert seconded the motion. Motion carried, 5 ayes, 2 abstained.

Mrs. Rudnick offered a motion to approve the **staffing hires** as presented:

- High School Science Teacher: Sidney Lucas
- High School Math / Science Teacher: Derek Radtke
- Possible Reading Specialist: Sadie Anderson

Mr. Vanderkin seconded the motion. Motion carried, 7 ayes.

Mrs. Gebert offered a motion to approve partnering with another school district to hire an **Occupational Therapist**. Mrs. Rudnick seconded the motion. Motion carried, 7 ayes.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, Mrs. Spatz made a motion to adjourn at approximately 6:57pm. Mr. Vanderkin seconded the motion. Motion passed, 7 ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Hassinger  
Secretary of the Meeting