

**EAST ALLEGHENY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**  
**January 14, 2019**  
**Committee Meeting 6:00 p.m. – Public Session 7:00 p.m.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board went into Executive Session from 6:25 to 7:10 p.m. for Personnel and Legal issues.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the School Board of the East Allegheny School District is called to order by Mr. Savinda, the president, at 7:10 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

**ROLL CALL**

Mr. Eichler, Mrs. Green, Dr. King, Mr. Paradine, Mr. Pearsol,  
Ms. Rosenbayger, Mr. Savinda, Mr. Volpe.  
**Absent:** Mrs. McCullough (Ill)

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Mr. Mac Fann, Ms. Valicenti.  
Solicitor: Mr. Beisler.

**STUDENT  
REPRESENTATIVES**

Paige Yusko.  
**Absent:** Amaia Johnson.

**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR MEETING  
OF DECEMBER 3, 2018**

Ms. Rosenbayger moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion approving the minutes of the regular school board meeting of December 3, 2018.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**MINUTES OF THE  
REORGANIZATION MEETING  
OF DECEMBER 3, 2018**

Mr. Pearsol moved and Ms. Rosenbayger seconded the motion approving the minutes of the reorganization school board meeting of December 3, 2018.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S  
REPORT**

None.

**STUDENT  
REPRESENTATIVE**

See attached report.

**HEAR FROM  
THE CITIZENS**

Mr. Paradine moved and Mr. Pearsol seconded the motion to dispense with the regular order of business to hear from the citizens.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**RESUME THE  
REGULAR ORDER  
OF BUSINESS**

Mr. Pearsol moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion to resume the regular order of business.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

None.

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**APPROVE AGENDA  
IN TOTO**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion to approve the agenda as a whole, with exceptions as noted.

Eichler	<u>None</u>
Green	<u>None</u>
King	<u>None</u>
McCullough	<u>Absent</u>
Paradine	<u>Budget &amp; Finance J:No</u>
Pearsol	<u>Budget &amp; Finance J:No</u>
Rosenbayger	<u>Budget &amp; Finance J:No</u>
Savinda	<u>None</u>
Volpe	<u>None</u>

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

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**BUDGET & FINANCE**

**TREASURER’S MONTHLY  
FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
FOR APPROVAL (A)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion to approve the Treasurer’s monthly statement.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**SECRETARY’S REPORT  
FOR APPROVAL (B)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion to approve the Secretary’s report.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**BUDGET & FINANCE**

**BILLS FOR PAYMENT  
APPROVAL AND  
RATIFICATION (C)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve and ratify the payment of bills as follows:

General Fund	-----	\$ 1,546,573.76
GF Batch 7	-----	\$ 459,685.40
GF Batch 98*	-----	\$ 274,296.21

\* Batch 98 – Charter Schools

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**PURCHASE ORDERS  
APPROVAL (D)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve purchase orders as follows:

General Fund	-----	\$ 3,111.00
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The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**BUDGET & FINANCE**

**CAFETERIA BILLS  
FOR PAYMENT (E)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve and ratify Cafeteria bills for payment in the amount of \$ 66,175.92

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**FEDERAL PROGRAM  
BILLS FOR  
PAYMENT (F)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve and ratify the Federal Program bills as follows:

Title I 18-19	-----	\$64,740.67
Title II Part A 18-19	-----	\$0
Title IV 18-19	-----	\$2,487.43

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**ADOPT 2019-2020  
BUDGET  
RESOLUTION (G)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board adopt Resolution 0107-2019A, as per attached, indicating that the Board will not raise the rate of any tax for the support of the public schools for the 2019-2020 fiscal year by more than its index of 0.92.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**ADVERTISE DISTRICT  
SCHOOL BIDS (H)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve advertising for the District's 2019-2020 school bids.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**APPOINT ACT 32  
COMMITTEE MEMBER (I)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board appoint Ms. Connie Rosenbayger to serve on the Allegheny County Southeast Tax Collection Committee, (ACSTCC) for 2019, with Mr. Michael Paradine serving as the alternate.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**UPGRADE OF  
DISTRICT COPIERS (J)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve and ratify the proposal from Toshiba Business Solutions for an upgrade of the total District copiers and network printing Papercut software. The proposed 63 Monthly Investment at a cost of \$11,641.49 per month, includes service and supplies. Toshiba will further issue a check in the amount of \$20,000.00 as part of Toshiba's Corporate Giveback Program, as per attached.

**ROLL CALL**

On a roll call vote, the following members voted Yes: Eichler, Green, King, Savinda, Volpe. No: Paradine, Pearsol, Rosenbayger. Absent: McCullough,

Yes 5  
No 3

The motion was passed.

**BUDGET & FINANCE**

**APPROVE RESOLUTION  
AIU JOINT PURCHASING  
BOARD FOR 2019 (K)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the resolution authorizing continued participation in the Allegheny Intermediate Unit’s Joint Purchasing Board for 2019. This membership provides the District with the opportunity to purchase items in various areas without bidding it out directly. Further appoint a regular and alternate member of the Joint Purchasing Board under the Joint Purchase Agreement.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**APPROVE ENGAGEMENT  
OF LEGAL COUNSEL  
FOR REAL ESTATE  
TAX APPEALS (L)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the proposal from Blumling & Gusky, LLP. as legal counsel representation in connection with the filing of various Allegheny County real estate tax appeals beginning with the 2019 tax year, with hourly rates for services rendered as follows, and as per attached:

<b>Partners And Senior Attorneys</b>	<b>\$350.00-\$500.00/hr</b>
<b>Associate Attorneys and Senior Attorneys</b>	<b>\$225.00-\$350.00/hr</b>
<b>Paralegals and Law Clerks</b>	<b>\$145.00-\$175.00/hr</b>

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**BUILDING & GROUNDS**

**USE OF PROPERTY  
REQUEST**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve and ratify the following requests for the use of the district facilities **at a cost to the organization according to board policy:**

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

<b><u>Group</u></b>	<b><u>Building/Grounds</u></b>	<b><u>Date Requested</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Activity</u></b>	<b><u>Cost</u></b>
<b><u>EA Summer Track (A)</u></b>	Stadium	M, T, Th, 4/8/19-7/31/19	6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Summer Track	\$0
		Sat 5/11/19	7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Track Meet	\$0
<b><u>EAAA Competition Cheer (B)</u></b>	Green Valley Gym	W, Th	6:00 – 9:00 p.m. 2/1/19-11/30/19	Practice	\$0
<b><u>NVPD and EA Safety Committee (C)</u></b>	JSHS Auditorium	Sat. 2/23/19	10:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.	Community CRASE training	\$0
<b><u>EA Rebels (D)</u></b>	Green Valley Gym	Tues 1/9/19-3/31/19	5:00-8:00 p.m.	Soccer Practice	\$0

**CURRICULUM**

**MEETING REQUEST  
MCKEESPORT, PA (A)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve and ratify the request from Mark Stahurski, The Future is Mine Advisor, to attend the TFIM advisor meeting on Friday, December 7, 2018 at the Consortium for Public Education, McKeesport, Pa, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. District TFIM advisors will share what each of their teams have completed and are working on. Mr. Stahurski hopes to find new ways to help our students and talk with local businesses to see about career opportunities.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: One (1) substitute for one (1) day. Cost have been budgeted.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**FIELD TRIP REQUEST  
NORTH VERSAILLES, PA (B)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Marcie Sippey, Science Teacher and STEM Co-coordinator, and 15 Bots I.Q. students to visit Kiczan Manufacturing, North Versailles, PA, on Wednesday, January 16, 2019 after school from 2:30 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. Kiczan is a local manufacturing company that has asked to partner with our Bots I.Q. Team. Bots I.Q. Team members will gain knowledge of local manufacturing jobs and hopefully gain a local partner to help manufacture our robot.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: None. This will take place during after-school hours so a substitute is not needed. Use of school van is requested.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**CONFERENCE REQUEST  
HOMESTEAD, PA (C)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Jeffrey Merlo, Special Education Teacher, to attend the Act 48 Workshop: Integrating Applied Behavior Analysis on Thursday, January 31, 2019, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Allegheny Intermediate Unit, Homestead, Pa. This workshop will explore the use of principles of Applied Behavior Analysis that can be utilized to address student specific needs. Mr. Merlo expects to gain an expanded understanding on how to enhance instruction and assessment using ABA principles. ABA is a research-based, best use practice for those students with autism.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: One (1) substitute for one (1) day. Cost have been budgeted.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**CURRICULUM**

**FIELD TRIP REQUEST  
PITTSBURGH, PA (D)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Emilia Peiffer, High School Counselor, one (1) additional teacher and 125 Junior students, with signed permission slips, to attend the Pittsburgh National College Fair, at the Lawrence Convention Center, Pittsburgh, PA on Friday, February 8, 2019, 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Junior class students will be exposed to information from different colleges in order to help them determine their post-secondary plans. Juniors will be expected to talk to several college admissions representatives to solicit information about their schools.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: None. Two (2) substitutes and transportation paid for by Guidance budget.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**CONFERENCE REQUEST  
HOMESTEAD, PA (E)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from the Chris Liptak, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher, to attend the Pittsburgh Penguins Foundation STEAM Lending Library Training at the Allegheny Intermediate Unit, Homestead, Pa, on Friday, February 8, 2019. Training is required for use of the AIU STEAM Lending library. Mr. Liptak anticipates being able to borrow from the STEAM and Coding library to enhance teaching and critical thinking in his class.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: One (1) substitute for one (1) day. Cost have been budgeted.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**MEETING REQUEST  
PITTSBURGH, PA (F)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Emilia Peiffer, School Counselor, to attend a workshop hosted by the American School Counselor Association (ASCA) at AW Beattie Tech, Pittsburgh, PA on Thursday, February 15, 2019, from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Attendees will gain new information on collaborations that can be used to connect with outside resources and shared with students.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: None. Substitute not required.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**FIELD TRIP REQUEST  
PITTSBURGH, PA (G)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Chris Liptak and Kathleen Weaver, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teachers, and 46 students to visit the Children's Museum of Pittsburgh, date to be determined upon approval. A free field trip is being offered by the museum for participating in the Matt Makers Challenge. A Rube Goldberg exhibit is currently set up at the museum. The students will get to see other Rube Goldberg machines that do things similar to what they build. We hope this creates an even greater interest in making.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: Transportation costs of \$262.00 to be covered by District. Field trip admission costs are waived. Substitutes not required. Costs have been budgeted.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**CURRICULUM**

**FIELD TRIP REQUEST  
PITTSBURGH, PA (H)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Marcie Sippey, Science Teacher and STEM Co-coordinator, one (1) additional teacher and 25-30 STEM and Bots I.Q. students to visit the Carnegie Science Center for the “Engineer your Future” Fair on Friday, February 22, 2019 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Students will explore a career in engineering as they engage in hands-on activities, interact with professionals in the field and check out presentations at more than 40 table events.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: None. Cost of two (2) substitutes and transportation will be paid for by Title IV funds. Entry fees paid for by Carnegie Science Center Scholarship.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**FIELD TRIP REQUEST  
PITTSBURGH, PA (I)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from the Logan Elementary Third Grade Teachers, 125 students, 7 parent chaperones, and one Nurse, to visit the Carnegie Science Center and Sportworks, Pittsburgh, PA on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 from 9:10 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. Students will have the opportunity to learn about science, exercise, and experience social interaction and cooperation with each other.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: One (1) nurse substitute. Transportation costs covered by the Logan PTO. Grant to cover admission costs.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**CONFERENCE REQUEST  
HOMESTEAD, PA (J)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Frank Szatkowski, Computer Science and Math Teacher, to attend the Workshop on CMU’s Computer Science Academy at the Allegheny Intermediate Unit, Homestead, Pa, on Wednesday, January 23, 2019. This workshop will help attendees become familiar with the CS Academy curriculum, scope and sequence, objectives and teacher/student interface of the online program.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: One (1) substitute for one (1) day. Costs have been budgeted.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

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**POLICY**

**SECOND READING  
OF POLICY (A)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the second reading of the revision to Policy 237, Electronic Devices, as per attached.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**FIRST READING OF  
ATTACHMENT  
TO POLICY (B)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the first reading of Attachment B, Safe2Say Something procedure, Policy 805, Emergency Preparedness, as per PSBA, as per attached.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**STUDENT LIFE**

**INDOOR PERCUSSION  
PERFORMANCE  
SCHEDULE (A)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the following Indoor Percussion Ensemble Competition schedule, as submitted by Justin Rosco, Band Director:

<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>LOCATION</u></b>
Saturday, February 9, 2019	East Allegheny Home Show
Saturday, February 23, 2019	Penn Trafford
Saturday, March 16, 2019	Elizabeth Forward
Saturday, March 30, 2019	Fast Forward at (to be announced)
Saturday, April 6, 2019	Ringgold
Saturday, April 27, 2019	Region 8 Championships at Baldwin

\* COST TO THE DISTRICT: Transportation.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

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**PERSONNEL**

**REASSIGNMENT OF  
GROUP I  
CUSTODIAN (A)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board reassign Reuel Rayman, Group I Custodian, to the HS Area E, 3:00 – 11:30 p.m. shift, and in accordance with the agreement between the East Allegheny Board of School Directors and the East Allegheny Educational Support Professionals and further authorize posting of vacant position.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**REASSIGNMENT OF  
GROUP I GROUNDS/  
CUSTODIAL  
UTILITY WORKER (B)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board reassign Richard Patterson as the Group I Grounds/Custodial Utility Worker, 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. shift and in accordance with the agreement between the East Allegheny Board of School Directors and the East Allegheny Educational Support Professionals, and further authorize posting of vacant position.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**HIRING OF  
SUBSTITUTE (C)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board hire Hannah Hostetler, Pittsburgh, as a Long-Term substitute teacher, Step one (1), Bachelor's, assigned for Mrs. Julie Kenney, effective 1/15/19 through 3/22/19.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**LEAVE REQUEST  
TEACHER (D)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Karen Humeston, 4<sup>th</sup> grade Teacher, for a Family Medical Leave to recover from surgery, commencing on January 17, 2019 and concluding on February 15, 2019, with a return to work date of February 19, 2019. Ms. Humeston will utilize her sick days concurrently with the FML.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.



**PERSONNEL**

**SUBSTITUTES FOR APPROVAL(E)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve and ratify the hiring of the following individuals in the respective positions, **pending receipt of updated clearances and other pre-employment screening.**

<i>Name</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Position</i>
<b>Emily Scott</b>	McKeesport	Substitute Food Service/Aide
<b>Carol Mauder</b>	North Versailles	Substitute Custodian/Food Service
<b>Monica Kauffman</b>	North Versailles	Substitute Custodian/Food Service
<b>Louis Fusco</b>	Turtle Creek	Substitute Custodian
<b>Tammy Allen</b>	North Versailles	Substitute Food Service

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**LEAVE REQUEST TEACHER (F)**

Mr. Volpe moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the FML request from Crystal Flebotte, Kindergarten Teacher, for the care of her child. The FML will commence on 1/15/19 and will conclude upon exhaustion of FML days or upon improvement of her child's health, whichever occurs first. Ms. Flebotte is electing to have this FML unpaid.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

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**FEDERAL PROGRAMS REPORT**

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Submitted by  
Betsy D'Emidio  
for December 2018

All Non-Public students' data is continuing to be updated into PIMS. We have received and documented the Non-Public schools performance data. The Performance Goal Output Report was completed. The Title I, IIA and IV report was submitted into the e-grant on December 20, 2018. Our district performance goals along with the Non-Public goals have been met. There was also an increase in parent involvement.

The Non-Public schools that service our students were mailed their invitation letters, inviting them to serve our students who are in need of Title I services for the 2019-2020 school year. These letters were mailed on December 17, 2018.

We have received our STEM items that were ordered in late November. I have looked over the merchandise, reviewed the reading materials and directed that all items are to be stored and locked away in our designated STEM room. Other STEM related items have since been ordered and we are awaiting their delivery.

The monthly Personnel Activity report for the month of December has been submitted and signed by Mr. MacFann.

I arranged for the Title I staff to visit the Scholastic Book Fair. Each teacher was allotted \$100.00 to purchase appropriate books for learning. At our upcoming January meeting we will discuss their choices and other matters in regards to the next school year. We will also discuss the Improving School Performance Conference in January, the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Wonders Parent Workshop opportunity in March and the PAFC conference that occurs May.

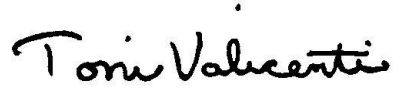
**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Pearsol moved and Mr. Savinda seconded the motion to adjourn at 7:47 p.m.

Toni Valicenti



Board Secretary

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**HEAR FROM THE CITIZENS**

Peter McGinty, Wilmerding Community Center—Filed for permits, hopefully open in 6-8 weeks, discussed funding, collaboration and memberships

William Hanam—New cell phone policy

Greg Voss, North Versailles- Policy 237 Revision

Marisa Boyle, East McKeesport- Personal Devices, revised proposed policy 237