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March 17, 2010

Mr. Rice called the March 17, 2010 regular meeting of the Eastern Local Board of Education to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Will, present; Mr. Hall, present; Mr. Rice, present; Mrs. Taylor, present.

32-2010 AGENDA: Will moved to approve the ordering of the agenda.
Second by Taylor.

VOTE: Hall, yes; Rice, yes; Taylor, yes; Will, yes.

33-2010 TREASURER'S REPORT BLANKET MOTION: Taylor moved to approve the following items:

MINUTES: Minutes of the February 17, 2010 regular meeting of the Eastern Local Board of Education.

APPROPRIATIONS: The following changes to the amended permanent appropriation resolution and submit estimated revenue to the Meigs County Auditor:

019.9110	Archery in the School Grant	\$3,000
300.9275	District Athletic Fund	\$13,000

RESOLUTION: Approve a resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor for fiscal year 2010-2011.

DONATION: Accept the donation of a shelter house with storage facility from the Eastern Elementary Parent Teacher Organization. Cost of materials to construct the shelter house were \$10,820.88 and labor was provided by Eastern Local School District employees.

PURCHASE SERVICE AGREEMENT: Approve an agreement with Ohio University from August 1, 2010 through June 1, 2011 to provide the district with athletic training services at a cost of \$10,100.

PURCHASE SERVICE AGREEMENT: Approve an agreement with A-1 Sanitation to provide trash removal services from April 1, 2010 through March 31, 2012 at a monthly cost of \$60 for each 3 yard container, \$114 for each 6 yard container and \$140 for each 8 yard container. Containers will be emptied twice each week.

Second by Will.

VOTE: Rice, yes; Taylor, yes; Will, yes; Hall, yes.

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34-2010 FINANCIAL REPORTS: Will moved to approve the financial reports for the month of February as submitted.
Second by Taylor.

VOTE: Taylor, yes; Will, yes; Hall, abstain; Rice, yes.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT LIAISON: Mrs. Taylor reported on an article regarding from Boomers to Gen-X. Gen-X is becoming the parents of school aged children.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Mrs. Howard, Elementary Principal, presented the following to the board of education: 1. Updated enrollment in the elementary of students. 2. A calendar of events for the month of March and April. 3. 47 students are participating in after school intervention.

Mr. Bush, Middle School Principal, presented the following to the board of education: 1. Calendar of events for March and April. 2. Updated enrollment in the middle school of 241 students. 3. Abby Collins, Katie Keller, Joshua Parker and Erin Swatzel were four of 134 students out of 2,400 whose letters advanced to state level judging in the 2010 Letters about Literature writing contest.

Mrs. Kim Allen, Director of Gifted Services, and Ms. Sara Lee, Gifted Intervention Specialist, presented the MathCounts Program to the board. MathCounts is a national nonprofit organization designed to promote math excellence among middle school students by making mathematics as challenging, exciting and prestigious as any school sport. Students began working on the program in September in preparation for the February competition. The students participating gave up there regular lunch period. Aliyah Gantt, Austin Gheen, Brandon Coleman, Molly Dunlap, Katie Keller, Thunder Clonch, Joshua Parker, and Brandon Coleman participated in the 2010 Regional MathCounts competition. Brandon Coleman placed in the top 8 qualifying him for state competition.

Mr. Eichinger entered the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Mr. Gheen, High School Principal, presented the following to the board of education: 1. OGT testing is being administered this week. 2. Credit Flex is the option for students to take traditional coursework in a variety of ways. Samples are distance learning, internships, community service based, educational travel, career technical, and class test out for credit. 4. Academic Performance Report of the High Schools in the Tri-Valley Conference was presented. Eastern High School was the Hocking division winner based upon performance of various components of the average OGT test criteria. The winner was based upon this year's data and a 3-year data chart was also provided.

Mr. Edwards, Superintendent, presented the following to the board of education: 1. Distributed the Mental Health Initiative Report for Eastern Local School District that was prepared by the Voinovich

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Research Group and funded by the US Department of Education Mental Health Expansion Initiative Grant. 2. An announcement call would be made to district residents regarding the calendar change, wellness center and completion of census information and the impact this information has on our community.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Mr. Jeff Warner and representatives from the Jackson Insurance Brokers addressed the board regarding our health insurance coverage. The group would like to present a proposal to become our broker of record to obtain pricing for the district's health insurance program and assist us in plan design. They would bring experience with Health Savings Accounts and Health Reimbursement Accounts. They also have various web based tools available for the employees and employer.

Mrs. Linda Smith, ELEA President, addressed the board regarding the outcome of the grievance that went to arbitration. The arbitrator determined the 20 days of extended service should be granted to the guidance counselor. ELEA is of the opinion the 20 days is needed to provide student services. Credit flexibility will also require additional time. ELEA is of the opinion the arbitration could have been avoided and requested the BOE reverse their decision prior to the arbitration being scheduled. The total cost of arbitration or \$5,389.54 could have been avoided. ELEA believed the entire matter could have been avoided with some communication between employee, supervisor, and administration.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Eichinger addressed Mrs. Sharon Logan about her classroom space. Mr. Eichinger explained there had been community concerns regarding the use of her classroom space and the appropriateness of the space being conducive to student learning. Mr. Eichinger asked Mrs. Logan her opinion of the space and commended her for providing instruction in the space. Mrs. Logan responded she had been using the room for at least four years. Her concern with the space is that she is not in the main stream of the daily function of her students. Mrs. Logan has students in the space from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and again from 12:15 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. She services 10 students at various times, 5 of these students have an IEP. Mr. Eichinger asked if the area is sufficient and does it impair student instruction. Mrs. Logan indicated she had not personally had any complaints from students or parents. Noise levels can be a concern and she has in the past placed students in the hallway. Mr. Eichinger asked Mrs. Logan if the space was equivalent to other classroom spaces. Mrs. Logan responded it would be great to have a regular classroom, but that space was not available when she was placed in the current location. Mr. Hall inquired why Mrs. Logan was placed in the space. Mrs. Howard responded that it occurred the year we had five kindergarten classes and four 1st grade classes. Mrs. Logan was given the option of splitting a space that was designed for pre-school with Mrs. Kelly. Mrs. Logan preferred her own space and was relocated in the mezzanine. Mr. Eichinger does not believe anyone placed Mrs. Logan in the present space to hurt the educational process of

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children. Mr. Eichinger is hopeful our administration will find a resolution. Mrs. Logan wishes the resolution to be a long term solution.

- 35-2010 EXECUTIVE SESSION: Hall moved to adjourn into executive session for the consideration of the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, compensation of a public employee, official or student; and the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or student.
Second by Will.

VOTE: Rice, yes; Taylor, yes; Will, yes; Eichinger, yes; Hall, yes.

The board adjourned into executive session at 8:30 p.m. with the following attending: Board Members Rice, Eichinger, Hall, Taylor and Will. Mr. Edwards, Superintendent and Mrs. Ritchie, CFO attended at various times during the session. The board reconvened into regular session at 10:05 p.m. with all members in attendance.

- 36-2010 PERSONNEL: Will moved to approve the following personnel items:
1. TRANSPORTATION EXTRA ROUTES: bus drivers Carolyn Ritchie and Connie Osborne to transport a student to the Ohio State School of the Deaf in Columbus.
 2. SUBSTITUTES-CERTIFIED: the following substitute teachers for the remainder of the 2009-10 school year pending proper certification: Sylvia Mickunas and Helen Slack.
 3. SUBSTITUTES-CLASSIFIED: Sunshine Russell as a substitute teacher aide and Sari Suttle and Alicia Ihle as substitute secretaries for the remainder of the 2009-10 school year pending proper certification.
 4. SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS: the following supplemental and pupil activity contracts for the 2009-10 school year pending proper certification:
SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS:

Josh Fogle	Varsity Track Coach
Pam Douthitt	Varsity Softball Coach
Kristen Dettwiller	Asst. Softball Coach
Brian Cummings	Asst. Softball Coach
Brian Bowen	Varsity Baseball Coach
Pat Newland	Asst. Varsity Baseball Coach

PUPIL ACTIVITY CONTRACTS:

Fred Connery	Asst. Varsity Track Coach
Ken Amsbary	Asst. Varsity Baseball Coach

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5. EXTENDED SERVICE-GUIDANCE: the reinstatement of ten days to the extended service contract for high school guidance counselor Sheryl Roush.
6. CONTRACT-MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL: the awarding of a three-year contract to Mr. Shawn Bush as Middle School Principal at a base salary of \$58,400.00.
7. MATERNITY LEAVE: requested maternity leave for Heather Wilcoxon commencing upon notice provided to the superintendent.
8. SICK LEAVE-ADVANCE: requested advance of five days of sick leave to Heather Wilcoxon to be paid back through the accrual of future sick leave if available.
Second by Hall.

VOTE: Eichinger, yes; Hall, yes; Rice, yes; Taylor, yes; Will, yes.

- 37-2010 AMENDMENTS TO SCHOOL CALENDAR: Taylor moved to approve amendments to the 2009-10 school year as follows-
- April 1 – school day with 2 hour early dismissal (Make-up day #2)
 - April 2 – waiver day for Staff Development.
 - April 5 – regular school day (Make-up day #3).
 - April 1 – (1:00 to 7:00 p.m.) Combine the cancelled conference date (Feb 18) and the originally scheduled conference date (April 29) into one conference night (April 1)

Second by Hall.

VOTE: Hall, yes; Rice, yes; Taylor, yes; Will, yes; Eichinger, yes.

- 38-2010 TENTATIVE CALENDAR: Will moved to approve a tentative calendar for the 2010-11 school year as follows:

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Eastern Local School District 2010-2011 School Year Calendar

10-11 Calendar 3

AUGUST						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Fair Week
Students 5
Staff 7

23 Open House/Work Day
24 Work Day/In-Service
25 1st Day for Students

SEPTEMBER						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

Students 21/28
Staff 21/28

6 Labor Day - No School
7 Back to School

OCTOBER						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

OAA
Students 21/47
Staff 21/49

NOVEMBER						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

OGT
Students 18/65
Staff 19/68

24 Begin Thanksgiving Break
25 Thanksgiving
29 No School (Desg PTC)
30 Back to School

DECEMBER						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Students 13/78
Staff 13/81

24 Begin Christmas Break
25 Christmas

JANUARY						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
						1
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

Students 20/98
Staff 20/101

3 Back to School
17 MLK Day - No School

FEBRUARY						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
			1	2	3	4
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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26	27	28				

Students 20/118
Staff 20/121

27 28

MARCH						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
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OGT
Students 23/141
Staff 23/144

APRIL						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
						1
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

Students 20/161
Staff 21/165

22 Good Friday - No School (Desg PTC)
24 Easter

MAY						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

OAA
Students 17/178
Staff 17/182

24 Last Day
30 Memorial Day

JUNE						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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26	27	28	29	30		

JULY						
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30	31					

Second by Hall.

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39-2010 SENIOR CLASS CHAPERONES/VOLUNTEERS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2009-10: Will moved to approve the following as senior trip chaperones and volunteers for the school year 2009-10:
Sheryl Roush, Bill Roush, Bryce Buckley, Pam Buckley, Pat Kearns, Betsy Kearns,
Jodi Bissell, Tami Putman, Mary Perdas and Melinda Karschnik.
Second by Hall.

VOTE: Will, yes; Eichinger, yes; Hall, yes; Rice, yes; Taylor, yes.

40-2010 AMEND MOTION 39-2010: Will moved to amend motion 39-2010 to include approval pending criminal background check.
Second by Hall.

VOTE: Taylor, yes; Will, yes; Eichinger, yes; Hall, yes; Rice, yes.

41-2010 SET MEETING TIME AND DATE: Hall moved to set the regular meeting for Wednesday, April 21, 2010 in the Library Conference Room at 6:30 p.m. and the district records commission date for March 22, 2010 at the administration offices at 10:30 a.m.
Second by Taylor.

VOTE: Eichinger, yes; Hall, yes; Rice, yes; Taylor, yes; Will, yes.

42-2010 ADJOURNMENT: Will moved to adjourn the meeting.
Second by Taylor.

VOTE: Hall, yes; Rice, yes; Taylor, yes; Will, no; Eichinger, yes.

President

Treasurer