

Minutes of Regular Meeting
EAST BERNARD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Monday, January 8, 2024
7:00 P.M.

H=Here A=Absent P=Partial

H – Robert Goudeau	H – Ryan Traweek	H – Ruth Ellen Sharp
H – Rodney Jedlicka	H – Chris Young	H – Courtney Hudgins, Supt.
H – Richard Garza	H – Kyle Marik	

President Robert Goudeau called the meeting to order, stating that a quorum of board members was present, that the meeting had been duly called, and that a notice of the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Code Chapter 551. Mr. Chris Young said the prayer and Reese Coldeway led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag and London Cavness led the Texas Pledge.

MINUTES: A motion by Ryan Traweek was seconded by Ruth Ellen Sharp to approve the minutes of the board meeting(s) held on December 11, 2023.

Voting Yes: All

Public Testimony: No one signed up to speak.

Superintendent's Report:

Board Recognition Month: Mrs. Courtney Hudgins recognized the school board by showing her appreciation for the many hours they have spent at meetings and school functions and presented them with a meal and a gift to show their appreciation. She also informed them about the Team of Eight training on February 5 from 6:00–9:00 p.m., the Staff Study on February 12 at 6:00 p.m. and to keep an eye out for anyone that would like to be the new CAD representative for East Bernard ISD. Mrs. Kocurek and Mrs. Brandi Cerny along with some of their UIL students who placed at the UIL events in Boling last month along with their parents were introduced to the board. They were Lane Cerny, Presley Allison and Chance Kalina. Reagan Domel was also a UIL participant, but was not present at the meeting. Mrs. Courtney Hudgins then recognized the State FFA students that participated at the state level. They were Morgan Crane, Reese Coldeway, Lily Alexander, Myla Mahalitic and London Cavness and they all came in 24th out of 399 teams statewide and received a plaque. A letter and/or a resolution will be sent to the students. There was a motion by Ryan Traweek and a second by Chris Young to approve sending letters and/or resolutions congratulating the 2023 FFA participants for participating at the State level.

Voting Yes. All

Campus Report: The campus reports were included in the agenda books. Mr. Doug Grigar, the high school principal reported that he is glad to have Mrs. Holly Ford back, the cheerleader went to Forth Worth last Thursday, the band took Kandence Hrenandez and Hazel East to attend the Area Band Contest this past weekend and they came in 5th place, they had in-service today and they will have a Ag Life Presentation on Thursday. He also thanked the board for all their support. Mr. David Janecek, the junior high principal gave an update of the boys and girls basketball teams. He also said that the dodgeball contest went well, they will be having an Ag Life presentation on Thursday and he thanked the board for everything they do. Mrs. Teresa Bosse, the elementary principal told the board that they enjoyed the long holiday break and she wanted to thank Mrs. Bonnie Kocurek for everything she had done for UIL, the Christmas musical went well and the UIL Ceremony will be on January 26 at the junior high gym from 12:00 to 1:00. She also told the board

that she is blessed to have such a great board and to be able to work at such a great school district. Mr. Wade Bosse, the Athletic director gave the board an update on the Spring sports and he thanked them for everything they have done for him and for the school district.

Financial Report: Mrs. Becky Kovar presented the list of bills and answered questions from the Board. She also gave the board a copy of the monthly cash flow statement and thanked them for everything they do and gave them a token of appreciation.

Public Meeting Regarding District’s 2023 School FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas) Rating

Mrs. Courtney Hudgins announced that East Bernard ISD has passed and received a rating of (A) “Superior Achievement” and a district score of 98 and it is based on the 2022-2023 school year. Under the Texas’ School FIRST financial accountability rating system the passing score is a 70. A copy of the first rating was included in the board packet.

The Board went into executive session at 7:40 p.m. under Texas Government Code Section (551.074) of the Texas Open Meetings Act to discuss personnel or to hear complaints against personnel. They returned to open session at 8:29 p.m.

Executive Session— Personnel (551.074)

A. Consider Superintendent’s Evaluation and Contract Extension

A motion by Richard Garza was seconded by Kyle Marik to approve extending Mrs. Courtney Hudgins’ contract as superintendent until June 30, 2027.

Voting Yes: All

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
Secretary President