

EARLHAM COMMUNITY SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
February 12, 2025

WORK SESSION/REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Earlham School Board met for a work session at 5:30 p.m. in the School Library on February 12, 2025. Board President Joey Morrison called the meeting to order. The roll call was answered by Erin Christensen, Kasey Henke, Charlie Lenze, Joey Morrison, and Jess Tiemeyer. Also present S. Kaster, J. Hammen, K. Sheffield, and four visitors.

Jess Tiemeyer moved the board approve the agenda. Erin Christensen seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

The board discussed the proposed cell phone policy and shared some sample policies from other districts.

Kasey Henke moved the board adjourn the work session. Charlie Lenze seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

The Earlham School Board met in regular session at 5:56 p.m. in the School Library on February 12, 2025. Board President Joey Morrison called the meeting to order.

Erin Christensen moved the board approve the agenda. Charlie Lenze seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Jess Tiemeyer moved the board approve the consent agenda.

- a. Approve Minutes from January 8, 2025 School Board Meeting.
- b. Open Enrollment applications
- c. Financial Statements and Invoices

Casey Henke seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Public forum-no comments.

Charlie Lenze moved the board approve the Personnel Report

Resignations:

- a) Alex Teig-JH Head Baseball Coach

New Hires:

- a) Dawson Madren-JH Head Baseball Coach

Jess Tiemeyer seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Erin Christensen moved the board approve the 2025-26 school calendar with the provision to revise the calendar if the school start date is changed by the Iowa Legislature. Kasey Henke seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Jess Tiemeyer moved the board approve the MSA for Dropout Prevention in the amount of \$171,233. Erin Christensen seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Kasey Henke moved the board approve the Trane Maintenance Agreement for HVAC for \$7444. Charlie Lenze seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Jess Tiemeyer moved the board approve the overnight stay for the robotics team competition. Erin Christensen seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Erin Christensen moved the board approve the soccer sharing agreement with Winterset for 2024-25. Charlie Lenze seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. Jess Tiemeyer moved the board approve the resolution RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Earlham Community School District, will levy property taxes for fiscal year 2025-2026 for the regular program budget adjustment as allowed under section 257.14, Code of Iowa. Kasey Henke seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. Kasey Henke moved the board approve the budget hearing dates:

- 1) Public Tax Notice hearing-March 26, 2025
- 2) Budget Adoption hearing-April 16, 2025. Erin Christensen seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. The board discussed the RFP's for insurance and the 2nd floor remodel.

Superintendent Kaster discussed the Iowa Legislative session along with the school start date, SSA, and cell phone policy. He also discussed the budget process and impact of SSA rate. Erin Christensen moved the board go into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1)(c) to discuss strategy with legal counsel in matters presently in litigation, or where litigation is imminent, if disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the board in that litigation. Jess Tiemeyer seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and was unanimous in favor of a closed session. The board went into closed session at 6:27 p.m. Charlie Lenze moved the board return to open session. Jess Tiemeyer seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. The board returned to open session at 6:50 p.m.

Charlie Lenze moved the board go into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1)(i) of the open meetings law to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session. Jess Tiemeyer seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and was unanimous in favor of a closed session. The board went into closed session at 6:51 p.m.

Charlie Lenze moved the board return to open session. Kasey Henke seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. The board returned to open session at 7:56 p.m.

Erin Christensen moved the board adjourn the meeting. Charlie Lenze seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

EARLHAM COMMUNITY SCHOOL JAN. 2025 BOARD INVOICES

Vendor Name	Description	Amount
GENERAL FUND		
ACME TOOLS	SUPPLIES	177.55
ACT	TESTS	1,650.75
AGRI LAND FS	DIESEL FLUID	160.32
AHLERS LAW FIRM	SERVICE	268.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES	5,230.16
BMO-CREDIT CARD	SUPPLIES	365.76
C H MCGUINNESS CO INC	REPAIRS	3,177.24
CAPITAL SANITARY SUPPLY	SUPPLIES	4,121.67
CAROLINA BIOLOGICAL SUPPLY	BIOLOGY SUPPLIES	333.29
CENTURYLINK	SERVICE	932.20
CENTURYLINK	LONG DISTANCE	75.29
DALLAS COUNTY AUDITOR	ELECTION	268.27
DELTA DENTAL	DENTAL INSURANCE	3,641.76
DELTA VISION	VISION INSURANCE	671.36
DES MOINES AREA COMM COLLEGE	TUITION	32,750.00
EARLHAM SAVINGS BANK	PETTY CASH	127.92
EARLHAM, CITY OF	SHARED SRO	13,360.96
EARLHAM, CITY OF	SHARED LIBRARIAN	737.70
EARLHAM, CITY OF	UTILITIES	3,051.13
ENERGY ASSOC OF IOWA SCHOOLS	RADON TESTING	3,500.00
FREIGHTLINER	REPAIRS	1,948.25
HEALTH PARTNERS	HEALTH INS	78,510.90
HOEKSEMA, LYNNE	ACCOMPANIST	100.00
HOMETOWN MARKET	SUPPLIES	21.19
IOWA ASSN OF SCHOOL BOARDS	CONVENTION	1,125.00
IOWA COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK	INTERNET SERVICE	16.66
J W PEPPER	MUSIC SUPPLIES	144.99
JUST ADD WATER	WATER FEATURE MAINT	350.00
KARL CHEVROLET	REPAIRS	1,742.26
LILLIE PLUMBING & ELECTRIC	PARTS/REPAIRS	190.00
MADISON NATIONAL LIFE	LIFE/DIS	1,421.16
MADREN, DAWSON	FUEL	70.00
MARCIA BRENNER ASSOCIATES	WEBINAR	360.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	UTILITIES	6,108.32
NOLTE CORNMAN & JOHNSON	AUDIT FEE	6,400.00
OFFICE DEPOT INC	OFFICE SUPPLIES	145.30

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OCI	TECH SUPPORT	125.00
R & B TIRE AND AUTO	TIRES	1,780.00
RAPTOR TECHNOLOGIES	BADGES	390.00
RESPONSIVE COUNSELOR, THE	LICENSE	230.00
RIEMAN MUSIC	DRUMS	698.00
RIVERSIDE INSIGHTS	TAG SUPPLIES	1,632.35
SCHOOLSPLP	ELECTIVE COURSE LICENSE	2,250.00
SECRETARY OF STATE	RENEWAL FEE	30.00
SKILLSUSA INC.	CTE DUES	225.00
THOMAS BUS SALES	PARTS/REPAIRS	253.43
U.S. BANK VOYAGER FLEET	FUEL	2,350.17
VENTRIS LEARNING	TEACHER MANUALS	301.00
WINTerset COMMUNITY SCHOOL	SHARED TRANSPORTATION DIR	5,000.00
XELLO	LICENSE	3,042.25
TOTAL		191,562.56
SAVE FUND		
INVISION ARCHITECTURE	CONSULTING	400.00
TOTAL		400.00
PPPEL FUND		
E O JOHNSON BUSINESS TECH	COPIER LEASE	1,411.32
FREIGHTLINER	REPAIRS	4,347.81
HOWARD TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS	TECH EQUIPMENT	67,058.00
VARSITY GROUP	GRAPHICS	4,820.00
TOTAL		77,637.13
ACTIVITY FUND		
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES	9.00
BEVING, TYLER	OFFICIAL	110.00
BOHLMANN, MATTHEW	OFFICIAL	110.00
CASKEY, CHRIS	SENIOR NIGHT FLOWERS	24.00
CLEAR CREEK AMANA	VB ENTRY FEE	100.00
FIELDS, DAN	OFFICIAL	140.00
FOSTER, RICHARD	OFFICIAL	250.00
HARRIS, DOUG	OFFICIAL	110.00
HELD, ERIC	BODY FAT TESTING	230.00
HESTERMANN, COLSON	OFFICIAL	140.00
IOWA HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH ASSN	SPEECH COMPETITION	175.00
NODAWAY VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL	CC ENTRY FEE	50.00
OSBORNE, NICHOLAS	OFFICIAL	220.00
REINDL, CHRIS	OFFICIAL	140.00
REINDL, TYLER	OFFICIAL	140.00
RHEINGANS, NATHAN	OFFICIAL	110.00
SHIVERS, BRAYDEN	OFFICIAL	110.00
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TAYLOR, RAUN	OFFICIAL	140.00
THEATREFOLK LTD.	SCRIPTS	383.90
TROPHIES PLUS	AWARDS	1,943.96
WEST CENTRAL CONFERENCE	HONOR BAND	1,556.00
WOODWARD-GRANGER COMM SCHOOL	ENTRY FEE	130.00
WUESTEWALD, ADAM	OFFICIAL	140.00
TOTAL		6,711.86
HOT LUNCH FUND		
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	KITCHEN SUPPLIES	374.64
CAPITAL SANITARY SUPPLY	SUPPLIES	748.95
HEALTH PARTNERS	HEALTH INS	2,429.34
HOMETOWN MARKET	SUPPLIES	35.00
MADISON NATIONAL LIFE	LIFE/DIS	24.70
TOTAL		3,612.63
JANUARY PAYROLL		484,170.20



Burglary Thwarted

On February 19, a Madison County Sheriff's Office deputy came across a suspicious vehicle that was observed in the area of an abandoned farmhouse in the 2300 block of Harmon Avenue in rural Madison County. Additional deputies arrived on the scene and were able to stop a burglary in progress.

During the investigation the offender was identified as Jack David Hobbs of Des Moines. The offender was charged with burglary third degree, possession of methamphetamine second or subsequent, and possession of drugs. The offender is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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