

**EAST ALTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 13**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**May 19, 2020**

The Board of Education of East Alton District 13, Madison  
County, Illinois, met in Regular Session at 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday,  
May 19, 2020, in the Professional Development Room, at East Alton  
Middle School, 1000 Third Street, East Alton, Illinois.

**REGULAR  
MEETING.**

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

On call of roll, the following members answered present:

Joan Mudge, President  
Margaret Foiles, Secretary  
Kim Handler  
Mary Karrick  
David Watts

**PRESENT.**

The following members were absent:

Marvin Peterson  
Keith Trout, Vice President

**ABSENT.**

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

None.

Motion was made by Mary Karrick and seconded by Kim Handler to  
approve Regular Meeting minutes, April 21, 2020, and Executive  
Session minutes, April 21, 2020, as presented.

**MINUTES.**

Motion carried with all members present voting "Yes."

Motion was made by David Watts and seconded by Mary Karrick to approve the bills from April 21, 2020 thru May 18, 2020, as presented. Motion carried with all members present voting “Yes.”

**APPROVAL OF  
BILLS.**

Motion was made by Kim Handler and seconded by Mary Karrick to approve authorization to destroy EASD #13 Executive Session audio recordings more than eighteen months old, as presented.

**AUTHORIZATION TO  
DESTROY AUDIO  
RECORDINGS.**

Motion carried with all members present voting “Yes.”

Mrs. Warnecke reviewed the current budget status, which indicates the district continues to remain on track with expected expenditures for the Education, Operations and Maintenance, and Transportation funds. While state payments lagged significantly last month, several payments were processed in May, which led to a total of \$309,215.86 in late payments at this point in the school year. This is a significant improvement from last month, however, we are still unsure of how many more payments we will receive before the end of the fiscal year. The state is three months behind in the payment schedule for the Early Childhood Block Grants, and the backlogged revenues total \$248,136 for those two grants. Mrs. Warnecke provided an update on the district’s planned construction project for this summer.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S  
REPORT.**

Demolition for the roof is scheduled to start at the end of this week and the project should be finished by mid-July, pending weather. The final day of remote learning for the district

was Monday, May 18th, and 8th grade graduation is planned for Wednesday, May 20th. Mrs. Decker has done a phenomenal job planning a special drive-through event that will honor the achievements of our 8th grade graduates! The Restore Illinois Plan, which details the phases in which the state will be allowed to begin the reopening process, was reviewed, with specific attention paid to where school district operations fall within the five phases of the plan. Many scenarios are being discussed at the state and national levels, but all scenarios are speculative at this point. Districts in Illinois will be required to follow guidance published by the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Illinois State Board of Education. This guidance is not yet available, but we are hoping to receive it by mid-June. Free breakfast/lunch distribution is continuing through Friday, May 22nd at Eastwood Elementary, and starting May 26th, the district will partner with the SAK Lunch program and the United Methodist Church to provide free lunches throughout the summer. Lunches will be available for drive-through pick up at Eastwood each weekday from 11:30-1:00 for any children ages 18 and under.

Motion was made by David Watts and seconded by Kim Handler

to enter into Executive Session at 8:16 P.M.

Motion carried with all members present voting "Yes."

**EXECUTIVE  
SESSION.**

Motion was made by Mary Karrick and seconded by Margaret Foiles to return to Open Session at 8:44 P.M.

**OPEN SESSION.**

Motion carried with all members present voting “Yes.”

Motion was made by Mary Karrick and seconded by David Watts to approve the recommendation not to promote probationary teaching assistant, William McLemore, to permanent employment status for the 2020-2021 school year and to terminate his employment effective May 27, 2020.

**APPROVAL OF  
NON-RENEWAL  
OF  
PROBATIONARY  
STAFF MEMBER.**

Motion carries with all members present voting “Yes.”

Motion was made by David Watts and seconded by Kim Handler to approve the reduction in number of teaching assistants in the District from 14 to 13 for the 2020-2021 school year.

**APPROVAL OF  
REDUCTION IN  
NUMBER OF  
TEACHING  
ASSISTANTS.**

Motion carried with all members present voting “Yes.”

Motion was made by Kim Handler and Mary Karrick to approve the resignation of Amber Sims, Eastwood ACE Teacher Assistant, effective May 27, 2020.

**APPROVAL OF  
RESIGNATION.**

Motion carried with all members present voting “Yes.”

Motion was made by David Watts and seconded by Kim Handler to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 P.M.

**ADJOURNMENT.**

Motion carried with all members present voting “Yes.”

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PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY