

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, August 27, 2026, 6:00 PM
EPPING SCHOOL BOARD
EES Media Center/Epping TV Channel 22

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Ben Leavitt called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with the pledge of allegiance.

In attendance: Chair Ben Leavitt, Vice Chair Robin O'Day, Member Julie Knight, Member Matt Puglielli, Member Courtney Dodge, Superintendent Furbush, and Business Administrator Christine Vayda

Absent: Student Lucy Vigliotti

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

SCHEDULED TOPICS

a. Co-Curricular Handbook - Chris Goldsack

Chris spoke about the changes and updates to the handbook. There was discussion about suggestions from the Board. The suggested changes will be made and the updated version of the handbook will be shared with the Board.

REPORTS

a. Committee Reports

SST - Julie and Bill noted that there was discussion about the Computer Science program that has been struggling in recent years. There was also discussion at the meeting about enrollment numbers which have increased approximately 50 students. Epping has 54 students enrolled.

b. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Furbush welcomed everyone back for the start of the school year and he thanked everyone involved in all of the projects over the summer. He also spoke about the PD days that the staff have been involved in prior to the opening of school. He noted the new offering of the bus tracking app which allows for real-time tracking and updates on the status of buses. He also noted that the first joint meeting with Fremont will be on September 17th, the second will be April 1st. Superintendent Furbush provided the Board with the simplified version of the org chart.

POLICY

- a. IK - Earning of High School Credit - 2nd Read

Vice Chair Robin O'Day made a motion to accept Policy IK - Earning of High School Credit. Seconded by Member Matt Puglielli. VOTE: 5-0. Motion carries.

- b. IKF - High School Graduation Policy - 2nd Read

There was discussion about the wording included in the policy. This item was moved to a 3rd read at the next meeting.

- c. IKL - Academic Honesty and Integrity - 2nd Read

Vice Chair Robin O'Day made a motion to accept Policy IKL - Academic Honesty and Integrity. Seconded by Member Courtney Dodge. VOTE: 5-0. Motion carries.

- d. KEC - Reconsideration of Instructional Material - 2nd Read

Member Matt Puglielli made a motion to accept Policy KEC - Reconsideration of Instructional Material. Seconded by Member Julie Knight. VOTE: 5-0. Motion carries.

- e. KEC-R Form - Request for Reconsideration of Instructional Material - 2nd Read

Member Matt Puglielli made a motion to accept Policy KEC-R Form - Reconsideration of Instructional Material. Seconded by Member Courtney Dodge. VOTE: 5-0. Motion carries.

- f. IJL - Library Materials Selection and Adoption - 2nd Read

Member Matt Puglielli made a motion to accept Policy IJL - Library Materials Selection and Adoption. Seconded by Member Courtney Dodge. VOTE: 5-0. Motion carries.

- g. IJL-R Form - Request for Reconsideration of Library Materials - 2nd Read

Member Matt Puglielli made a motion to accept Policy IJL-R Form - Request for Reconsideration of Library Materials Selection and Adoption. Seconded by Member Courtney Dodge. VOTE: 5-0. Motion carries.

- h. JJJ - Access to Public School Programs by Nonpublic, Charter School and Home Educated Pupils - 1st Read

Superintendent Furbush explained the policy. This item was moved to a 2nd read at the next meeting.

PERSONNEL

None

FINANCIAL BUSINESS & DISTRICT SERVICES

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Public Meeting Minutes from August 6th, 2026

Member Julie Knight made a motion to approve the August 6th, 2026 Public Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Member Matt Puglielli. VOTE: 5-0. Motion carries.

- b. Public Meeting Minutes from August 20th, 2026

Member Courtney Dodge made a motion to approve the August 20th, 2026 Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Vice Chair Robin O'Day. VOTE: 5-0. Motion carries.

MANIFEST

- a. Payroll Deposited on August 7, 2026

Member Matt Puglielli made a motion to approve payroll deposited on August 7th, 2026 in the amount of \$321,347.76. Seconded by Member Courtney Dodge. VOTE: 5-0. Motion carries.

- b. Accounts Payable Deposited on August 7, 2026

Member Matt Puglielli made a motion to approve accounts payable deposited on August 7th, 2026 in the amount of \$125,462.32. Seconded by Member Courtney Dodge. VOTE: 5-0. Motion carries.

- c. Payroll Deposited on August 14, 2026

Member Matt Puglielli made a motion to approve payroll deposited on August 14th, 2026 in the amounts of \$101,217.06, \$123,370.20, \$65,531.46, \$2,026.26, and \$201,604.83. Seconded by Member Courtney Dodge. VOTE: 5-0. Motion carries.

- d. Accounts Payable Deposited on August 21, 2026

Member Matt Puglielli made a motion to approve payroll deposited on August 21st, 2026 in the amount of \$304,142.83. Seconded by Member Courtney Dodge. VOTE: 5-0. Motion carries.

BOARD COMMENTS/OTHER

- a. Board Comments

Courtney welcomed everyone back to school.

Robin let everyone know about a webinar on September 2nd regarding a number of the bills and legislation.

Matt welcomed everyone back to school and gave a shoutout for all the work done by the Facilities team to get things ready for opening day.

Julie echoed Matt's comments. There was discussion about the parcel of land behind the fire station.

Christine welcomed everyone back and thanked all the staff for their work on projects over the summer.

Superintendent Furbush noted that his opening remarks will be shared via ParentSquare. He also welcomed everyone back.

Ben welcomed everyone back. He reminded everyone of the upcoming elections.

NEXT MEETING TO BE SCHEDULED

a. September 3, 2026

NONPUBLIC SESSION: RSA 91-A:3, II Non-Public Meeting **is not scheduled** for August 27th, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn at 7:08pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dagny Wilkins

School Board Secretary