

**EAST CHINA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

Central Administrative Offices – Conference Room #1

Wednesday, January 12, 2022

6:00 p.m.

Jeanne Frank, President
Pat Biebuyck, Vice-President
Lynn Griffor, Secretary
Karen Cedar, Treasurer

Todd Distelrath, Trustee
Michael Westrick, Trustee
Lindsay Chopp, Trustee
Suzanne Cybulla, Superintendent

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order/Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance**

- 2. Closed Session** for the purpose of discussing student disciplinary action. **Recommended Action:** That the Board of Education goes into Closed Session pursuant to section 8(b) of the Open Meetings Act (Act 267 of 1976) that being, “for Board discussion connected to the discipline of a student.”

(Motion and Roll Call)

- 3. Recognition of Persons Wishing to Address the Board** – This portion of the agenda is for citizens to address any questions or comments to the Board. The Board will listen, take comments and questions under advisement, and not respond at this time. The presiding officer will refer questions to the superintendent for research and response.

- 4. Adjournment**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS

The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on District matters.

Any person or group wishing to place an item on the agenda shall register their intent with the Superintendent no later than seven (7) days prior to the meeting and include:

- A. name and address of the participant;
- B. group affiliation, if and when appropriate;
- C. topic to be addressed.

Such requests shall be subject to the approval of the Superintendent and the Board President.

To permit fair and orderly public expression, the Board shall provide a period for public participation at every regular meeting of the Board and publish rules to govern such participation in Board meetings. The presiding officer of each Board meeting at which public participation is permitted shall administer the rules of the Board for its conduct.

The presiding officer shall be guided by the following rules:

- A. Public participation shall be permitted as indicated on the order of business.
- B. Participants must be recognized by the presiding officer and will be requested to preface their comments by an announcement of their name and address.
- C. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to five (5) minutes duration.
- D. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic unless all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard.
- E. Participants shall direct all comments to the Board and not to staff or other participants.
- F. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no person may address or question Board members individually.

The presiding officer may:

- 1. interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, personally directed, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant;
 - 2. request any individual to leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum;
 - 3. request the assistant of law enforcement officers in the removal of a disorderly person when that person's conduct interferes with the orderly progress of the meeting;
 - 4. call for a recess or an adjournment to another time when the lack of public decorum so interferes with the orderly conduct of the meeting as to warrant such action.
- G. Tape or video recordings are permitted. The person operating the recording should contact the Superintendent prior to the Board meeting to review possible placement of the equipment, and agrees to abide by the following conditions:
- 1. No obstructions are created between the Board and the audience.
 - 2. No interviews are conducted in the meeting room while the Board is in session.
 - 3. No commentary, adjustment of equipment, or positioning of operators is made that would distract either the Board or members of the audience while the Board is in session.