

# BOARD HAPPENINGS

January 2, 16 and 23, 2018

## JANUARY 2<sup>nd</sup>

- Board officer elections were held. Board officers for 2018 will remain the same as last year: President – [Bob Nelson](#); Vice-President – [Tim Hines](#); and Secretary - [Chris Baker](#).
- Approved at this Board meeting: Schedule of Board Meetings for the 2018-19SY (posted on the EACS website); Selection of Outside Facility Contractor (The Motz Group); and the Selection of Civil Engineering Firm – Engineering Resources Incorporated (ERI).

## JANUARY 16<sup>th</sup>

This meeting was held at [New Haven High School](#) in their library at 11:30 a.m.

- The Board held their annual Board of Finance Meeting.
- Approved at the regular board meeting which followed the BOF meeting: [Heritage Jr./Sr. High School](#) Masonry Restoration Project - Change Order #1 – Close Out of Project.

## JANUARY 23<sup>rd</sup> - WORK SESSION

- Planning for EACS' Vocational Programming  
The Board held its initial meeting to begin discussing future plans for EACS' vocational program which will be housed at the former Meadowbrook Elementary School. Topics discussed included the timeline, partnerships between Vincennes University and others, the process for offering a CTE Program, advisory committees, and leadership for the vocational center. On hand to aid in the discussion from Vincennes University were Dr. Odelet Nance, and Mr. Ron Hoke, Curriculum Specialist and founding/former director of the Area 31 Career Center at Ben Davis High School. Some next steps include finalizing programming, forming steering committees, and conducting building feasibility studies. A work session of the Board of School Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at [New Haven Intermediate School](#), 1065 Woodmere Drive, New Haven, IN.
- Classroom Benchmarks for 2018-2019SY  
[Supt. Hisson](#) shared how benchmarks for general education class sizes and staffing are determined. Benchmarks and staffing are looked at continuously throughout the year.

## RECOGNITIONS

Each semester, Junior Achievement sponsors, through funding from the Schwab Foundation, the "JA Career Success Student Essay Contest". Freshman from area counties submit an essay on their dream job. JA Program Manager Jenee' Johnson presented essay winner, [New Haven High School](#) freshman [Makayla Coomer](#), with a certificate and a check for \$50.00. Additionally, [Makayla](#) will also get to shadow an interior designer as well. [Todd Caffee](#) who teaches the Careers class at [New Haven High School](#) was also on hand for the presentation.

## PERSONNEL

### ~ Welcome New Hires ~

- Kolton Hopkins, bus driver
- Connell Nelson, paraprofessional, PCA
- James Otis, bus driver
- Aubrey Zimmerman, teacher, NHPS

### ~ Resignations ~

- Margaret Carroll, food service, SOEL, eff. 11/29/17
- Marilyn Muff, food service, SOEL, eff. 10/17/17