



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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**EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS
MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
MINUTES**

January 17, 2017 - 6:30 p.m.

**Administration Building – Board Room
1240 State Road 930 East
New Haven, IN 46774**

At a meeting held in the Board Room at the Administration Building, 1240 State Road 930 East, New Haven, Indiana, the Board of School Trustees of East Allen County Schools met at approximately 6:30 p.m. on January 17, 2017.

Board members present:

Robert L. Nelson, Jr., President
Timothy E. Hines, Vice President
Christopher T. Baker, Secretary
Todd C. Buckmaster
Gayle C. Etzler
Terry Jo Lightfoot
Paulette Nellems (left at 7:24 p.m.)

Board members absent:

None

EACS Administrators and Association Presidents also in attendance:

Dr. Kenneth H. Folks, Superintendent
Mrs. Marilyn Hissong, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education
Mr. Kirby Stahly, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services
Ms. Deborah Watson, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education
Mrs. Connie Brown, Director of Special Services
Mrs. Rose Fritzing, Director of Development and Title I
Mrs. Tina Grady, Director of Human Resources
Mrs. Tamyra Kelly, Public Information Officer
Mr. Keith Madsen, Director of Technology
Mrs. Michelle Wenglikowski, Director of Student Services
Mrs. Lois Goeglein, Manager of Financial Services
Mrs. Karen Charters, Principal, Heritage Elementary School
Mr. William Diehl, Principal, Leo Elementary School
Mrs. Alicia Gatewood, Principal, New Haven Intermediate School
Mrs. Anna Murphy, Principal, New Haven High School
Mr. Keith Edmonds, Assistant Principal, New Haven High School
Mr. Dave Stinson, Assistant Principal, New Haven High School
Mr. Andy Wagner, Athletic Director, New Haven High School
Mrs. Becky Christensen, Dean of Students, New Haven High School
Ms. Janet McEvoy, President, EACS Transportation Association

1.0 ROUTINE ITEMS

1.1 Call to Order

President Bob Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. after the Annual Board of Finance meeting.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

1.3 Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented, with the addition of an addendum to Consent Item 3.1 – Human Resources Report and Consent Item 3.2 – Financial Reports.

1.4 Recognitions

New Haven High School's Lilly Scholarship Winner

New Haven High School senior, Brianna Rhodes, is a recipient of a coveted Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship. Brianna will be attending Indiana Wesleyan University in the fall. The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Program awards scholarships (full-tuition, required fees, and book stipend for four years) to selected students from each county in Indiana to pursue a baccalaureate degree at any accredited public or private Indiana college or university. This is New Haven High School's second student in two years to receive this prestigious award. All of New Haven High School's administrators were on hand as well.

Leo Elementary School Spell Bowl Winners

Over the last two months Leo Elementary School's Purple Spell Bowl Team members, under the guidance of Mrs. Jody Moher, have diligently studied over 700 words to compete in the Indiana Spell Bowl. They placed first in the Area meet. The Purple team members spelled 52 of 56 words correctly! Their efforts led to a ranking of 17th in the entire state. Team members included: Madeline Hunter, Alyssa Stopher, Emily Murphy, Andrew Zehr, Jackson George, Makenna Wilson, Sara Hoepfner, and Emmy Kennedy. Coach is Ms. Jody Moher; principal is Mr. Bill Diehl.

Special Olympics Bowling Team

In December, EACS Special Olympics Bowling team competed in the State Tournament held in Indianapolis. The team brought home 4 silver medals, 1 bronze medal, one 4th place ribbon, and three 5th place ribbons. Team members included: Jon Allgeier (WOHS); Collin Bergman (WOHS); Elizabeth Jones (NHIS); Alex McNeal (WOHS); Baylee Minth (NHMS); Luke Muschell (WOEL); Mitchell Schultz (WOEL); Lauren Smith (HEEL); Mollie Sullivan (IREACH); Head Coach Lindsey Lortie, and Assistant Coach Katy Wood.

2.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

3.0 CONSENT ITEMS

Superintendent Folks requested the Board’s approval for the Consent Items as presented as follows:

- 3.1 Human Resources Report and Addendum**
- 3.2 Financial Reports and Addendum**
- 3.3 Meetings and Conferences**
- 3.4 Minutes – Regular Meeting – January 3, 2017**

Motion: That Consent Items 3.1 through 3.4, and the addendums, be approved as presented.

Motion: Hines Second: Etzler

Discussion: None.

Vote:

- 3.1 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)
- 3.2 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)
- 3.3 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)
- 3.4 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

17-0117-4.1 Application and Receipt of Funds for SY2016-17 Refugee Children School Impact Grant (RCSIG) Program

17-0117-4.2 Application and Receipt of Funds Reallocated for Non-English Speaking Program (NESP) Grant SY2016-17

17-0117-4.3 Application and Receipt of Funds Reallocated for Title III Grant to Serve Limited English Proficient (LEP) Students

Motion: Buckmaster Second: Baker

Discussion: None.

Vote:

- 4.1 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)
- 4.2 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)
- 4.3 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

17-0117-4.4 Bid for Secure Entrance at Cedarville Elementary School

Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board.

Motion: Baker Second: Hines

Discussion: None.

Vote:

4.4 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nelson; Abstained: Nellems (Motion carried 6-0-1)

5.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 iPad Lost/Stolen/Damage Report

5.2 Update on District Assessment Results

Mrs. Lightfoot asked for more summary sheets and Mrs. Nellems asked for a summary for ethnicity stats as well.

5.3 Secondary Course Catalog Revisions

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.4 Real Estate Purchase and Sale Contract for Acquisition of Neuhouser Properties

Mr. Stahly provided information for the Board and answered their questions.

5.5 Revised Administrative Guideline 4211 – Operational Support Personnel – Presidents’ Day Holiday When Non-Student Day

Mr. Stahly and Mrs. Grady provided information for the Board.

5.6 Revised Administrative Guideline 4211.5 – Technical Support Personnel – Presidents’ Day Holiday When Non-Student Day

Mr. Stahly and Mrs. Grady provided information for the Board.

6.0 SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Today the hearing was held with the State Board of Education to petition them that EAU’s letter grade of “F” be changed to “no grade assigned”. Dr. Folks feels like the meeting went well and we should be notified of the outcome within 24 hours.

Tomorrow Upper Wabash Valley School Superintendents’ Council is hosting secondary administrators from across the region. All of EACS’ Middle School and High School principals, as well as Assistant Superintendent Deborah Watson, will be attending.

WPTA’s INsight show will again feature all of EACS’ high schools this year, beginning yesterday with EAU being highlighted.

7.0 **BOARD COMMENTS**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Terry Lightfoot	INDOT is sponsoring the “Paint the Plow” contest again this year. They would like to see all EACS’ high schools participate this year (New Haven High participated last year).
Chris Baker	Thank you for the information item reports. Was impressed with the data on the iPads. Nice job on the Assessment Data Report; the Secondary Course Catalog is very well done; Is proud of the recognitions tonight and in the newspaper recently.
Bob Nelson	Thanked Dr. Folks for his involvement within and outside of the district – appreciates his extra efforts; Expressed appreciation for nurse Wendy Walker’s work in health care for the district.

8.0 **PRESENTATION ON CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**

Barton-Coe-Vilamaa

Dana Wannemacher and Ben McHugh with Barton-Coe-Vilamaa updated the Board on the status of the former New Haven Elementary School, Southwick Elementary School, New Haven Intermediate School projects. At NHEL renovations will begin soon on the second floor, the basement, and the elevator shaft. Some pre-construction work has been taking place there since Winter Break and should be finished by the end of this week. Final drawings will come back to the Board for approval by the end of February/first of March, so bids can be let shortly thereafter. They are looking into possibly renovating the gymnasium for use as a larger room for conferences, etc.

Southwick Elementary School – current plan drawn shows a total of 8 classrooms being added. Two of these classrooms will be bid as alternates. Timeline was reviewed.

Cedarville Elementary School – current plan is for an addition of 4 classrooms and a multi-purpose classroom. Bid timeline is the same as Southwick’s.

New Haven Intermediate School – no changes since the last meeting. Bids will go out fall of 2019. Tomorrow they meet with New Haven’s civil engineer regarding the proposed plans, parking, etc.

Moake Park Group

Dick Moake and Kevin Runkel will meet next week with Dr. Folks, Mr. Stahly, and Board members Tim Hines and Chris Baker to create a list of priorities for the project.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. Lightfoot moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Hines seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. The meeting ended at 7:54 p.m.

Full audio minutes are available on the East Allen County Schools website, under the School Board tab, at www.eacs.k12.in.us.

The next regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. This meeting will be held at the EACS Administration Building, 1240 State Road 930 East, New Haven, IN.

These minutes were approved and adopted by the East Allen County Schools Board of School Trustees on February 7, 2017.

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