



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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

December 13, 2016 - 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 December 13, 2016.

Board Members present:

Christopher T. Baker, President
Robert L. Nelson, Jr., Vice President
Terry Jo Lightfoot, Secretary
Timothy E. Hines
Arden L. Hoffman
Paulette Nellems

Board Members absent:

Leland L. Etzler

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. Rose Fritzinger, Director of Development and Title I
Mrs. Tina Grady, Director of Human Resources
Mrs. Tamyra Kelly, Public Information Officer
Mrs. Teresa Knoblauch, Director of Title III
Mr. Keith Madsen, Director of Technology
Mrs. Michelle Wenglikowski, Director of Student Services
Mrs. Terri Lortie, President, EACS Custodial Association
Ms. Janet McEvoy, President, EACS Transportation Association
Mr. Mark Nash, President, East Allen Educator's Association

1.0 ROUTINE ITEMS

1.1 Call to Order

President Chris Baker called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

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.

Mr. Hoffman asked for clarity on Discussion Items 5.9 and 5.10 which Mr. Stahly provided.

1.4 Recognitions

Mr. Bruce Amstutz, statistician for the Woodlan High School football team for the last 28 years, was recognized for his dedication (having missed only one game in all those years) and for the impact he's made on the teams over the years. Dr. Folks, WOHS's football coach Sherwood Haydock, and Board Member Tim Hines commented, and Mr. Hines presented Mr. Amstutz with a framed commemorative poster of a recent Journal Gazette article, which all of the team and coaches signed.

Leo Jr./Sr. High School senior Lindsey Marriott was recognized for her accomplishments in cross country while attending Leo Jr./Sr. High School. Lindsey competed in her third state finals. With her placement at State, Lindsey was named to the Indiana All-Star Team that represented the state of Indiana against teams from Ohio, Illinois and Michigan. She earned this honor by being one of the top 12 fastest seniors in the state. Lindsey is also the first female cross country runner in LEHS's school history to be named to this team.

Dr. Folks recognized outgoing Board Member Arden Hoffman for his service these last four years, and presented him with a momento.

1.5 Legislative Update

Nothing to report.

2.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – 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**
- 3.3 Meetings and Conferences**
- 3.4 Minutes – Regular Meeting – November 15, 2016**
- 3.5 Minutes – Work Session – November 29, 2016**
- 3.6 Minutes – Executive Session – December 6, 2016**

Motion: That Consent Items 3.1 through 3.6 be approved as presented.

Motion: Hines

Second: Nelson

Vote:

- 3.1 - Aye: Baker, Hines, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 6-0)
- 3.2 - Aye: Baker, Hines, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 6-0)
- 3.3 - Aye: Baker, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson; Against: Hoffman (Motion carried 5-1)
- 3.4 - Aye: Baker, Hines, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 6-0)
- 3.5 - Aye: Baker, Hines, Hoffman, Nelson; Abstained: Lightfoot, Nellems (Motion carried 4-0-2)
- 3.6 - Aye: Baker, Hines, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nellems; Abstained: Nelson (Motion carried 5-0-1)

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

16-1213-4.1 Resolution for Payment of Claims When Only One Board Meeting in a Month

16-1213-4.2 Carrier for Property/Casualty/Liability and Workers' Compensation Insurance

16-1213-4.3 Authorize One Time Stipend for Nonteacher Employee Groups

Discussion: Mr. Hoffman stated he would be voting no for the stipend.

Motion: That Action Items 16-1213-4.1 through 16-1213-4.3 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nellems Second: Hines

Vote:

- 4.1 - Aye: Baker, Hines, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 6-0)
- 4.2 - Aye: Baker, Hines, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 6-0)
- 4.3 - Aye: Baker, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson; Against: Hoffman (Motion carried 5-1)

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

16-1213-4.4 2017 Gasoline and Diesel Fuel Bids

Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board.

Discussion: None

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 16-1213-4.4 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nellems Second: Nelson

Vote:

- 4.4 - Aye: Baker, Hines, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 6-0)

16-1213-4.5 Bus Replacement Bid – Special Purpose Vehicle

Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board.

Discussion: Mr. Stahly answered Mr. Hoffman's questions.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 16-1213-4.5 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nelson Second: Hines

Vote:

4.5 - Aye: Baker, Hines, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 6-0)

16-1213-4.6 Bus Replacement Bid – 78-Passenger Bus

Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board.

Discussion: None

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 16-1213-4.6 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nellems Second: Nelson

Vote:

4.6 - Aye: Baker, Hines, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 6-0)

**16-1213-4.7 Construction Change Order #6 - New Haven Primary School Project -
Change to Accommodate 208 Voltage**

Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board.

Discussion: None

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 16-1213-4.7 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nelson Second: Nellems

Vote:

4.7 - Aye: Baker, Hines, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 6-0)

16-1213-4.8 Adopt General Obligation Bond Resolution

Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board.

Discussion: Mr. Stahly answered Mr. Hoffman's questions. Mr. Hoffman stated that he would be voting no.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 16-1213-4.8 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nelson Second: Lightfoot

Vote:

4.8 - Aye: Baker, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson; Against: Hoffman (Motion carried 5-1)

16-1213-4.9 Adopt Reimbursement Resolution

Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board.

Discussion: Mr. Stahly answered Mr. Hoffman's questions.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 16-1213-4.9 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nelson Second: Hines

Vote:

4.9 - Aye: Baker, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson; Against: Hoffman (Motion carried 5-1)

16-1213-4.10 Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the Board of School Trustees and the Transportation Association

Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board.

Discussion: None

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 16-1213-4.10 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nellems Second: Hines

Vote:

4.10 - Aye: Baker, Hines, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 6-0)

5.0 INFORMATION ITEMS/PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 Asset Protection Information Report

5.2 Energy Management Report

5.3 2016-17SY Indiana Secured School Safety Grant Agreement

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.4 Application and Receipt of Funds for the FIRST STEM Equity Community Innovation Grant

Mrs. Fritzinger presented information to the Board.

5.5 New Administrative Guideline 5106 - Educational Evaluation for the Purpose of Determining Eligibility for Special Education Services

5.6 New Administrative Guideline 5106.1 – Special Education Evaluation General Procedures

5.7 New Administrative Guideline 5106.2 - Specific Learning Disability-Referral and Evaluation Procedures

Mrs. Brown presented information to the Board and answered Mr. Hoffman’s questions.

5.8 Ratify and Confirm Prior Publications – Notice of Project Hearing and Additional Appropriation Hearing

5.9 Adopt Project Resolution

5.10 Adopt Additional Appropriation Resolution

Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board.

6.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

7.0 SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

EACS/Paul Harding Junior High School suffered a great loss with the recent sudden death of Mrs. Algerine Hill.

Congratulations to New Haven High School Student Brianna Rhodes on winning a Lilly Scholarship. She is the second Lilly winner in two years from New Haven High School.

Our first e-Learning day of the school year was yesterday. Things went smoothly. Kudos to the Technology Department and our teachers.

The embargoed school letter grades have been released. Under this flawed system and rubric, East Allen University received a school grade of “F”. Dr. Folks has appealed to the IDOE and the State Board of Education.

There is one week of school left before the 2-week winter break.

8.0 BOARD COMMENTS

Name

Tim Hines

Topic

On behalf of himself and the other board members he wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Chris Baker

If anyone is interested in attending the National School Board Association’s national conference please let him know; Attended two Thanksgiving luncheons put on by Special Ed students at WOEL and NHPS – they were both very well done and thanked them for inviting the Board; Congratulations to NHHS’s Lilly Scholarship winner Brianna Rhodes – she is very deserving of this award;

Congratulations to our student athletes who received AP Indiana All-State awards – For football: NHHS’s NiShawn Jones and Jorian Freeman, and LEHS’s Ben VonGunten, and for volleyball – LEHS’s Katie Crowe; Congratulations to our “Salute to Service” recognizees – Dr. Ken Folks, Mrs. Mary Menze, Mr. Jeff Kline, Officer Darren Peterson, Ms. LuAnn Neri, and the late Mrs. Algerine Hill; A Special Board Meeting will be held on December 20th at 11:30 a.m.; Read a statement to the audience regarding the lawsuit filed against EACS regarding the building project; wished everyone Happy Holidays.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. Nellems moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Lightfoot seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 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.

A special board meeting of the Board of School Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at 11:30 a.m.. The next regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, January 3, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.. Both meetings 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 December 20, 2016.

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