



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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**EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS
WORK SESSION OF THE
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
MINUTES**

January 23, 2018 - 6:00 p.m.

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

At a work session, held in the Board Room at the Administration Building, 1240 State Road 930 East, New Haven, Indiana, of the Board of School Trustees of East Allen County Schools met at approximately 6:00 p.m. on January 23, 2018.

Board members present:

Mr. Robert L. Nelson, Jr., President (left at 7:45 p.m.)
Mr. Timothy E. Hines, Vice President
Mr. Christopher T. Baker, Secretary
Mr. Todd C. Buckmaster
Mrs. Gayle C. Etzler
Mrs. Terry Jo Lightfoot (left at 7:34 p.m.)
Mrs. Paulette Nellems (arrived at 6:11 p.m.)

Board members absent:

None.

EACS Administrators and Association Presidents also in attendance:

Mrs. Marilyn Hissong, Superintendent
Mr. Kirby Stahly, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services
Ms. Deborah Watson, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education
Mrs. Teresa Knoblauch, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education
Mrs. Tina Grady, Director of Human Resources

1.0 Call to Order

President Bob Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

2.0 ROLL CALL

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Bob Nelson led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4.0 BOARD DISCUSSION

4.1 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.

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4.2 Classroom Benchmarks for 2018-2019SY

Superintendent Hissong shared how benchmarks for general education class sizes and staffing are determined. Benchmarks and staffing are looked at continuously throughout the year. She answered the Board members' questions.

5.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. Nellems moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Buckmaster seconded the motion, and Vice President Hines adjourned the meeting. at 7:50 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, February 6, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. This meeting will be held at the EACS Administration Building, 1240 State Road 930 East, New Haven, IN. 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.

These minutes were approved and adopted by the East Allen County Schools Board of School Trustees on February 6, 2018.

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