



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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

March 6, 2018 - 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 March 6, 2018.

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

Board members absent:

None

EACS Administrators and Association Presidents also in attendance:

Mrs. Marilyn Hissong, Superintendent
Mrs. Teresa Knoblauch, 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 Fritzinger, Director of Development and Title I
Mrs. Tina Grady, Director of Human Resources
Mr. Keith Madsen, Director of Technology
Mrs. Michelle Wenglikowski, Director of Student Services
Dr. Matt Widenhoefer, Principal, Heritage Jr./Sr. High School
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 Bob Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Heritage Jr./Sr. High School principal Dr. Matt Widenhoefer.

4.0 **ACTION ITEMS**

18-0306-4.1 Contract for Canvas as EACS' Learning Management System

Motion: That Action Item 18-0306-4.1 be approved as presented.

Motion: Buckmaster Second: Nellems

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

18-0306-4.2 Application and Receipt of Funds for Lilly Endowment Comprehensive Counseling Initiative Grant (Round II)

Mrs. Rose Fritzinger and Mrs. Michelle Wenglikowski presented information to the Board.

Questions: None.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 18-0306-4.2 be approved as presented.

Motion: Buckmaster Second: Nellems

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

18-0306-4.3 New Board Policy Appendix K – Board Participation at Commencement and School Events

Superintendent Hissong presented information to the Board. President Nelson thanked board member Mrs. Lightfoot for her time spent on the creation of this Appendix. She based the policy on the protocol for former elected government officials.

Questions: None.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 18-0306-4.3 be approved as presented.

Motion: Baker Second: Etzler

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

5.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

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5.1 Annual Report – Facilities

5.2 Annual Report – Special Education

5.3 New Administrative Guideline 4112 – Anti-Harassment

5.4 New Administrative Guideline 4112.5 – Procedures for Resolving Complaints of Discrimination and Harassment

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.5 Application and Receipt of Funds for Center for Study and Prevention of Violence (CSPV) for LifeSkills Training Grant

Mrs. Rose Fritzingler provided information to the Board.

5.6 Partnership with United Way of Allen County to Provide Kindergarten Countdown

Mrs. Teresa Knoblauch provided information to the Board and answered Mrs. Lightfoot's question.

5.7 Contract with Gerald Brooks

Mr. Keith Madsen provided information to the Board. He invited the Board members to the iTeach training on June 12-13.

6.0 SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Thank you to the Board members who have attended the safety meetings. Thank you to Deborah, Teresa, Jeff and our building administrators who have taken part in these Safety meetings.

Kindergarten Roundup will be taking place at our elementary schools on Thursday, March 8, from 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM.

Read Across America is taking place throughout the district. Last week several schools celebrated Dr. Seuss. Mrs. Hissong was able to read to 3rd graders at Prince Chapman Academy.

Round I of ISTEP is coming to an end. Things have gone smoothly.

Superintendent Hissong recognized Mrs. Terri Lortie, President of the EACS Custodial Association. On Saturday, Mrs. Lortie passed the torch to the new president, Mr. Rod Nelson. Mrs. Hissong thanked her for her service as the Association President over these past years.

7.0 BOARD COMMENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Mr. Tim Hines	It's nice to see support for the district through monetary donations and in other capacities.
Mr. Chris Baker	Today the ISBA sent out information on school safety and the upcoming nationwide Walkout being planned. Asked the Supt. to formulate an organized and meaningful plan. (Supt. Hissong said a plan is in the final stages of planning); and believes having key personnel in our buildings to take a proactive approach with at risk kids is important.
Mr. Todd Buckmaster	Is neat to see the new HEHS locker rooms and ticket booth going up; HEHS senior Andy Kohrman shadowed Rep. Matt Lehman yesterday.
Mr. Bob Nelson	Thanked Terri Lortie for her service to the EAEA Custodial Association; Thanked Teresa Knoblauch for taping a show regarding Kindergarten Roundup; Congratulated Matt Widenhoefer on getting his doctorate; Asked Supt. Hissong to share the district plans with the Board for the upcoming Walkout; Saw that Mr. Steve Screeton is retiring at the end of the school year. He had an impact on his kids.

8.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, there was board consensus to adjourn the meeting. The meeting ended at 7:04 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, March 20, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. The next Work Session of the Board of School Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. This meeting will be held at Woodlan Jr./Sr. High School, located at 17215 Woodburn Road, in Woodburn, IN.

These minutes were approved and adopted by the East Allen County Schools Board of School Trustees on March 20, 2018.

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President

Secretary