



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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

February 5, 2019 - 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 February 5, 2019.

Board members present:

Mr. Timothy E. Hines, President
Mr. Christopher T. Baker, Vice President
Mr. Todd C. Buckmaster, Secretary
Mrs. Gayle C. Etzler
Mrs. Paulette Nellems
Mr. Robert L. Nelson, Jr.

Board members absent:

Mrs. Terry Jo Lightfoot

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. Michelle Clouser Penrod, Director of Development and Title I
Mrs. Tina Grady, Director of Human Resources
Mrs. Tamyra Kelly, Public Information Officer
Ms. Jennifer Heffernan, Director of Title III
Mr. Keith Madsen, Director of Technology
Mrs. Michelle Wenglikowski, Director of Student Services
Mr. Doug Hicks, Principal, East Allen University
Mr. Denny Kern, Principal, Woodlan Jr./Sr. High School
Mrs. Anna Murphy, Principal, New Haven High School
Mrs. Danielle Newman, Principal, Paul Harding Junior High School
Dr. Matt Widenhoefer, Principal, Heritage Jr./Sr. High School
Mr. Tim Wiegand, Executive Director of Alternative and Career and Technical Education
Mr. Dave Stinson, Assistant Principal, New Haven High School
Mrs. Rebecca Christensen, Assistant Principal, New Haven High School
Mr. Jody Smith, Assistant Principal, Leo Jr./Sr. High School
Mrs. Andra Kosmoski, President, East Allen Educator's Association
Ms. Janet McEvoy, President, EACS Transportation Association

1.0 ROUTINE ITEMS

1.1 Call to Order

President Tim Hines called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

Board Secretary Todd Buckmaster led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.3 Approval of Agenda

The agenda for February 5, 2019 was approved as presented with an addendum to Consent Item 3.1 - Human Resources Report.

1.4 Recognitions

United Way of Allen County

Mr. David Nicole, President and CEO of the United Way of Allen County, and Donor Relations Manager, Mr. Alex Wulpi, recognized East Allen County Schools for our tremendous partnership. During their last campaign EACS increased their giving by 30%. They presented the Board with a Certificate of Recognition for our partnership.

Academic All-State Athletes (Fall)

The Indiana High School Coaches Association annually recognize high school student athletes that have excelled in the classroom, in addition to their performance in a fall sport. The criteria to be an Academic All-State student athlete are 1) Must be a junior or senior; 2) Must be listed on the team's sectional roster; and 3) Must have at least a 3.5 GPA or higher on a 4.0 scale. The 2018 EACS Academic All-State fall sport athletes (with their GPA listed) are:

Heritage High School

Football: Jacob Birkmire – 3.5.

Boys Soccer: Kyle Dalman - 3.8; Brett Dodane - 4.1; Kaleb Feipel - 4.2; Emmett Niemeyer - 4.4; William Oberley - 4.38; and Garret Ternet - 4.2.

Girls Soccer: Grace Biggins - 4.1; Morgan Castleman - 4.3; Khloe Gardner- 4.2; Molly Gibson - 4.0; Audrey Renninger - 4.3; Lauren Rothgeb - 4.3; and Liz Zelt - 3.9.

Leo High School

Football: Arland Coolman - 3.8; Eli Detmers - 4.2; Gavin Hieber - 3.63; and Christian Hoepfner - 3.6.

Girls Soccer: Alex Bond - 4.1; Sophia Bond - 4.2; Claire Buchheit - 3.8; Taylor Cieslinski - 3.7; and Kristie Yoder - 4.2.

Volleyball: Casey Reinking - 4.1; and Addie Sieber - 3.9.

Boys Tennis: Carter Bonecutter - 4.2; and Sam McDaniel - 4.2.

New Haven High School

Girls Soccer: Jasmin Armstrong - 4.2; and Kennedy Bender - 3.8.

Woodlan High School

Cross Country: Keegan Walton – 4.1.

Football: Jack Stuckey - 4.3; Sebastian Spieth - 4.1, and Dirk Herschberger - 4.3 was also named to the Indianapolis Colts Top 50 Academic Team.

Girls Soccer: Livi Bell - 3.7; Ana Bullerman - 3.9; Elly Spieth - 4.2; Evy Spieth - 4.2; and Maddy Werling – 4.3.

2.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – AGENDA ITEMS

None.

PRESENTATION

2.1 Graduation Rates

Each of our five high schools: East Allen University – Mr. Doug Hicks; Heritage Jr./Sr. High School – Dr. Matt Widenhoefer; Leo Jr./Sr. High School – Asst. Principal Mr. Jody Smith for Dr. Neal Brown; New Haven High School – Mrs. Anna Murphy; and Woodlan Jr./Sr. High School – Mr. Denny Kern - presented information to the Board on their school's graduation rates. They answered the board members' questions.

3.0 CONSENT ITEMS

Superintendent Hissong 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 – January 22, 2019

Motion: That Consent Items 3.1 through 3.3 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nellems

Second: Buckmaster

Discussion: None.

Vote:

3.1–3.3 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 6-0)

Motion: That Consent Item 3.4 be approved as presented.

Motion: Buckmaster

Second: Nelson

Discussion: None.

Vote:

3.1–3.4 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Nelson; Abstain: Nellems (Motion carried 5-0-1)

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

Superintendent Hissong requested the Board’s approval for the Action Items as presented as follows:

19-0205-4.1 Partnership with United Way of Allen County to Provide Kindergarten Countdown

19-0205-4.2 Allowance Increase New Haven 7-12 Construction

Motion: That Action Items 19-0205-4.1 and 19-0205-4.2 be approved as presented.

Motion: Buckmaster Second: Etzler

Discussion: None.

Vote:

4.1-4.2 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 6-0)

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

19-0205-4.3 Application and Receipt of Reallocation Funds for Non-English Speaking Program (NESP) Grant

Ms. Jennifer Heffernan presented information to the Board.

Motion: Buckmaster Second: Etzler

Discussion: None.

Vote:

4.3 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 6-0)

19-0205-4.4 Revised Board Policy 4010 – Facilities Use

President Hines presented information to the Board.

Motion: Nelson Second: Buckmaster

Discussion: Mr. Baker will vote to approve this policy, but does not believe the word “communities” needs to be in it.

Vote:

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

19-0205-4.5 New Board Policy 4020 – Board Naming Protocol

President Hines presented information to the Board.

Motion: Buckmaster

Second: Etzler

Discussion: None.

Vote:

4.5 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 6-0)

5.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 Energy Management Report

5.2 2018 Year End Report

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.3 2019 Bus Replacement Purchase

Mr. Kirby Stahly provided information to the Board and answered Mr. Baker's question.

5.4 2020 Budget Schedule

Mr. Kirby Stahly provided information to the Board.

5.5 One Time Transfer from Cash Balance of Education Fund to Cash Balance of Operations Fund

Mr. Kirby Stahly provided information to the Board.

5.6 Updates to Secondary Courses for 2019-20SY

Ms. Deborah Watson provided information to the Board.

6.0 SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Beginning Friday, March 1st EACS is hosting First Responder Fridays! Every first Friday of the month, we are inviting First Responders to eat lunch (on us) at any of our schools. We want this to be a way for us to not only thank them for their services, but to mingle with and mentor students, answer questions, etc. We are excited about this! The EACS Educational Foundation has agreed to pay for this.

Good luck to our wrestlers who will be wrestling at Semi-State this Saturday.

Unfortunately none of our girl's basketball teams made it past Regionals.

A shout out to our parents for their overwhelming support during all of the weather delays and cancellations.

A shout out to our food service departments who are now offering salads. Thank you to New Haven Middle School who is now making and delivering salads to the Administration Building, Annex, and Transportation Department.

Congratulations to Woodlan High School's Show Choir who won Grand Champions at the Northrop Show Choir Competition.

In the last four years, our paper copies per student for the District have been reduced by 400 copies per student.

7.0 BOARD COMMENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Mr. Bob Nelson	Invited everyone to come out to the "Caring for Our Community" boys basketball game between NHHS and HEHS on Friday, 2/15. Bring a donation of socks, gloves, hats, or scarves and get into the game free. Items will be shared between NHPS and HEEL. During half time the Champions Game with the special education students will be played. At half time of the varsity game, NHHS will hold inductions into their Hall of Fame. Thank you to Parkview Medicine for give 250 T-shirts to EACS for pep blocks.
Mr. Chris Baker	Congratulations to the LEHS wrestlers who won Sectionals. Good luck to all EACS wrestlers wrestling at Semi-state; Congratulations to our LEEL and CEEL Robotics teams.
Mr. Tim Hines	Enjoyed his time at the Robotics competition that CEEL hosted; Attended the Data Room visit at SOEL on Monday. It's nice to see how the "bricks and mortar" additions have enhanced the educating that is happening there.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. Nellems moved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting ended at 8:10 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 19, 2019 at 11:30 a.m. This meeting will be held at Prince Chapman Academy, located at 4808 East Paulding Road in Room 511, Fort Wayne, IN.

These minutes were approved and adopted by the East Allen County Schools Board of School Trustees on February 19, 2019.

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President

Secretary