



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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

April 9, 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 April 9, 2019.

Board members present:

Timothy E. Hines, President
Christopher T. Baker, Vice President
Todd C. Buckmaster, Secretary
Gayle C. Etzler
Terry Jo Lightfoot

Board members absent:

Paulette Nellems
Robert L. Nelson, Jr.

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. 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. Daniel Krleski, Director of Food Services
Mr. Keith Madsen, Director of Technology
Mrs. Michelle Wenglikowski, Director of Student Services
Mr. Tim Wiegand, Executive Director of Alternative and Career and Technical Education
Dr. Brad Bakle, Principal, Cedarville Elementary School
Mrs. Diamond Robinson, Principal, Southwick Elementary School
Mr. Steve Snodgrass, Principal, New Haven Intermediate School
Mr. Steve Walter, Assistant Principal, New Haven Middle School
Mrs. Andra Kosmoski, President, East Allen Educator's 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 member Mrs. Gayle Etzler led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.3 Approval of Agenda

The agenda for April 9, 2019 was approved as presented with an addendum to Consent Item 3.1 - Human Resources Report.

1.4 Recognitions

Project Lead the Way (New Haven Intermediate School)

Project Lead the Way's (PLTW) mission is to prepare students for the global economy by providing K-12 STEM programs for schools. The program offers a problem-based curriculum combined with teacher professional development.

All three grades at NHIS have implemented two modules of experiments, ranging from infectious diseases to forces/motion to designing structures and function. New Haven Intermediate School has received the Distinguished School Launch Award. Only 37 schools in Indiana received this award. The PLTW recognition program is designed to honor districts and schools committed to increasing student access, engagement, and achievement in their PLTW programs.

Principal Steve Snodgrass, along with NHIS PLTW teachers Mr. Edward Palmer – 3rd grade, Mrs. Aleesha Wolf – 4th grade, and Mrs. Angie Sorg – 5th grade were on hand.

FAME Winners

All of EACS' elementary schools participated in the FAME Festival on Saturday, March 17th at the Grand Wayne Center. There were student performances in piano, vocal, dance, and drama, and also student art displays, along with workshops featuring guest musicians, dancers, and visual artists. This year's festival spotlight was East, Central and South Africa.

Every EACS elementary school participated in the art portion of the festival. Winners' artwork is currently being displayed at Fort Wayne Mayor Tom Henry's office until early May when he will host a reception in their honor. EACS FAME art winners are as follows:

Cedarville Elementary School – Dr. Brad Bakle, Principal
Cole Smith - 2nd grade, Mayor's Choice Winner

Heritage Elementary School – Mrs. Karen Charters, Principal
Eelona Hakes - 6th grade, Mayor's Choice Winner
Kaela Shepherd - 6th grade, Teacher's Choice Winner

Leo Elementary School – Mr. William Diehl, Principal
Samuel Fowerbaugh - 5th grade, Mayor's Choice Winner
Angelina Kitani - 6th grade, Teacher's Choice Winner

New Haven Primary School – Mrs. Renita Peters, Principal
Dexter Brockhaus - 2nd grade, Teacher’s Choice Winner
Kensington Guenin - 2nd grade, Mayor’s Choice Winner

New Haven Intermediate School – Mr. Steve Snodgrass, Principal
Allison Albright - 5th grade, Mayor’s Choice Winner
Kaylynn Halsey - 4th grade, Mayor’s Choice Winner
Ella Wilson - 5th grade, Teacher’s Choice Winner

Prince Chapman Academy – Mr. Patrick McCann, Principal
Marycarmen Saldana, 6th grade, Mayor’s and Teacher’s Choice Winner

Southwick Elementary School – Mrs. Diamond Robinson, Principal
Janeva Henderson - 2nd grade, Teacher’s Choice Winner
Adianney Saldana - Kindergarten, Mayor’s Choice Winner

Woodlan Elementary School – Mr. G. Michael Chen, Principal
Griffin Johnson - 4th grade, Teacher’s Choice Winner
Mason Moore - 6th grade, Mayor’s Choice Winner

2.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – AGENDA ITEMS

None.

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 – March 19, 2019**

Motion: That Consent Items 3.1 through 3.4 be approved as presented.

Motion: Buckmaster Second: Etzler

Discussion: None.

Vote:

3.1–3.4 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot (Motion carried 5-0)

Following the vote, President Hines introduced Mr. Steve Walter, current New Haven Middle School Assistant Principal as the new Heritage Elementary School Principal beginning with the 2019-20 school year.

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

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

19-0409-4.1 Use of EACS School Buses for 2019 Fort Wayne Air Show

Motion: That Action Items 19-0409-4.1 be approved as presented.

Motion: Buckmaster Second: Lightfoot

Discussion: None.

Vote:

4.1 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot (Motion carried 5-0)

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

19-0409-4.2 Award of Cafeteria Line at New Haven High School

Mr. Krleski presented information to the Board, and answered Mr. Buckmaster's question.

Motion: Buckmaster Second: Etzler

Discussion: None.

Vote:

4.2 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot (Motion carried 5-0)

19-0409-4.3 Grant Permission for Work to Occur within Right-of-Way at SR 930 and Mourey Street for ADA Curb Ramp

Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board, and answered Mr. Baker's questions.

Motion: Etzler Second: Lightfoot

Discussion: None.

Vote:

4.3 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot (Motion carried 5-0)

19-0409-4.4 Deletion of Administrative Guideline 5111.1 - Early Entrance Appeal Procedure

Mrs. Knoblauch presented information to the Board.

Motion: Baker Second: Etzler

Discussion: None.

Vote:

4.4 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot (Motion carried 5-0)

19-0409-4.5 Revised Board Policy 4016 – Participation in EACS-Sponsored Extracurricular Activities

President Hines presented information to the Board.

Motion: Baker Second: Lightfoot

Discussion: Mr. Buckmaster thinks it's good that the Board policies are being reviewed and suggested that in the future a Work Session be held to discuss some of the policies.

Vote:

4.5 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot (Motion carried 5-0)

19-0409-4.6 Review of Board Policy 4017 – Safe Environment

President Hines presented information to the Board.

Motion: Buckmaster Second: Etzler

Discussion: Mrs. Lightfoot and Mr. Baker commented.

Vote:

4.6 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot (Motion carried 5-0)

5.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 Allocations/Grant Awards for EACS – First Quarter 2019

5.2 Secondary Course Catalog Revisions for 2019-20SY

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.3 eLearning Application with IDOE for 2019-20SY

Mr. Madsen provided information to the Board.

5.4 Purchase of Infrastructure Equipment for All District Buildings

Mr. Madsen provided information to the Board and answered Mr. Hines' and Mrs. Lightfoot's questions.

5.5 Agreement with Fort Wayne Philharmonic for 2019-20SY

Mrs. Knoblauch provided information to the Board.

5.6 Amplify for mClass Software Formative Assessment Tool

Mrs. Clouser Penrod provided information to the Board.

5.7 NWEA Formative Assessment Tool

Mrs. Clouser Penrod provided information to the Board.

5.8 Scantron Formative Assessment Tool

Mrs. Clouser Penrod provided information to the Board. Mrs. Lightfoot commented.

6.0 SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

We're happy to be back from spring break!

Assessments are taking place over the next several weeks.

The next First Responder Friday is this Friday, April 12 at each of our schools.

The Autism Fair is this Saturday, April 13 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at the Annex.

The EAEA Retirement and Recognition Banquet is Thursday, April 25.

Mrs. Hissong gave a shout out to each of our high schools and their wonderful musical performances. She attended East Allen University's (Little Luncheonette of Terror) and New Haven High School's (Beauty and the Beast) performances this past weekend.

State Superintendent Dr. Jennifer McCormick will be in Fort Wayne speaking on April 18th from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at The Summit. Doors open at 5:45 p.m.; Speech begins at 6:00 p.m.

A shout out to NHHS's Athletic Director Andy Wagner and the girls softball team. We received a letter from the IHSAA commending the great sportsmanship which was on display at a recent game between Prairie Heights and New Haven.

Our boys varsity baseball teams will one again play at Parkview Field on Monday, April 15th. HEHS vs. LEHS at 4:30 p.m.; followed by NHHS vs. WOHS at 7:00 p.m.

7.0 BOARD COMMENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Mr. Chris Baker	Shared information and observations from the workshops he attended at the recent National School Board Association's national conference.
Mrs. Gayle Etzler	Shared information and observations from the workshops she attended at the recent National School Board Association's national conference
Mr. Todd Buckmaster	Congratulated Mr. Steve Walters on his HEEL principalship.

Mrs. Terry Lightfoot

Agreed with Mrs. Etzler on what she shared about today's kids and their hard and soft skills; and it's a part of EACS Board Policy to teach workplace competencies.

Mr. Tim Hines

Many sessions at the NSBA conference were on school safety and mental health topics. We continue to progress in those areas as a district; The May 7th board meeting is being moved to Thursday, May 9th due to numerous conflicts in schedules.

9.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Baker moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Etzler seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved. The meeting ended at 7:40 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 work session of the Board of School Trustees is scheduled for Thursday, April 16, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, May 9, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. These meetings will be held at the 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 May 9, 2019.

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