



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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

**May 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 May 9, 2019.

**Board members present:**

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

**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. 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  
Mr. Denny Kern, Principal, Woodlan Jr./Sr. High School

**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**

Woodlan High School Senior Dirk Hershberger led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 1.3 Approval of Agenda

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

### 1.4 Recognition

#### Academic All-State Athletes (Winter Sports)

The Indiana High School Coaches Association annually recognizes high school student athletes that have excelled in the classroom, in addition to their performance in a winter 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 2018-19SY EACS Academic All-State winter sport athletes (with their GPA listed), all from Woodlan Jr./Sr. High School, are:

- Jack Stuckey – Senior – Basketball; GPA is 4.3; Is Valedictorian; Will attend Purdue University in the fall.
- Daniel Herschberger – Junior – Wrestling; GPA is 4.23.
- Dirk Herschberger - Senior – Wrestling; GPA is 4.27; Is #3 in his class; Dirk was also recognized for being named a Service Academy Appointee by Congressman Jim Banks. He will be attending the United States Military Academy at West Point.

### 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 – April 9, 2019**

**3.5 Minutes – Special Board Meeting and Work Session – April 16, 2019**

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

Motion: Etzler

Second: Buckmaster

**Discussion:** None.

#### **Vote:**

3.1–3.3 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)

**Motion:** That Consent Item 3.4 be approved as presented.

Motion: Baker

Second: Lightfoot

**Discussion:** None.

**Vote:**

3.4 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot; Abstain: Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 5-0-2)

**Motion:** That Consent Item 3.5 be approved as presented.

Motion: Buckmaster

Second: Etzler

**Discussion:** None.

**Vote:**

3.5 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nelson; Abstain: Nellems (Motion carried 6-0-1)

**4.0 ACTION ITEMS**

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

**19-0509-4.1 eLearning Application with IDOE for 2019-20SY**

**19-0509-4.2 Purchase of Infrastructure Equipment for All District Buildings**

**19-0509-4.3 Agreement with Fort Wayne Philharmonic for 2019-20SY**

**19-0509-4.4 Amplify for mClass Software Formative Assessment Tool**

**19-0509-4.5 NWEA Formative Assessment Tool**

**19-0509-4.6 Scantron Formative Assessment Tool**

**Motion:** That Action Items 19-0309-4.1 through 19-0509-4.6 be approved as presented.

Motion: Baker

Second: Lightfoot

**Discussion:** None.

**Vote:**

4.1-4.6 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)

## **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

### **19-0509-4.7 Award Asbestos Abatement Project at New Haven Middle School**

Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board and answered the board members' questions.

Motion: Buckmaster                      Second: Etzler

**Discussion:** None.

**Vote:**

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

### **19-0509-4.8 Review of Board Policy 4018 – Parental Choice**

### **19-0509-4.9 Review of Board Policy 4019 – Student Achievement/Assessment**

Board President Hines presented information to the Board.

Motion: Lightfoot                      Second: Etzler

**Discussion:** None.

**Vote:**

4.8-4.9 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)

### **19-0509-4.10 Closure of New Haven Middle School**

Superintendent Hissong presented information to the Board.

Motion: Baker                      Second: Buckmaster

**Discussion:** Mr. Baker stated that this action is just a formality for State record keeping of decisions previously made.

**Vote:**

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

### **19-0509-4.11 Reconfiguration of New Haven Intermediate School to a 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade School**

Superintendent Hissong presented information to the Board.

Motion: Etzler                      Second: Nelson

**Discussion:** Mr. Baker stated that this action is just a formality for State record keeping of decisions previously made.

**Vote:**

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

**19-0509-4.12 Reconfiguration and Renaming of New Haven High School to a 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade School**

Superintendent Hissong presented information to the Board.

Motion: Baker

Second: Buckmaster

**Discussion:** None.

**Vote:**

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

**19-0509-4.13 Relocation of EACS' Alternative School**

Superintendent Hissong presented information to the Board.

Motion: Baker

Second: Nellems

**Discussion:** Mr. Nelson stated that he will vote yes because this is the recommendation of Administration.

**Vote:**

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

**5.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

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**5.1 EACS Safety Assessment Report**

**5.2 Revised Administrative Guideline 5118 - Transfer Tuition Students**

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**5.3 Application and Receipt of Funds for Title I (Basic) and Delinquent-Serving Institution Title I (Part D) for 2019-20SY**

Mrs. Michelle Clouser Penrod provided information to the Board.

**5.4 Application and Receipt of Funds for Formative Assessment Grant**

Mrs. Michelle Clouser Penrod provided information to the Board.

**5.5 Implementation of Community Eligibility Provision Program**

Mr. Dan Krleski provided information to the Board.

**5.6 Elementary Textbook and Course Fees for 2019-20SY**

Mrs. Teresa Knoblauch provided information to the Board.

**5.7 Secondary Textbook and Course Fees for 2019-20SY**

Will be brought back to the Board as a Discussion/Action Item at the May 21<sup>st</sup> Board meeting.

**5.8 Update to Utility Easement for the City of Woodburn**

Mr. Kirby Stahly provided information to the Board.

**5.9 Resolution to Establish Grade Level Capacity**

Mr. Kirby Stahly and Mrs. Michelle Wenglikowski provided information to the Board and answered Mr. Baker’s questions.

**6.0 SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS**

Superintendent Hissong thanked the board members who attended the ISBA Spring Regional meeting last evening.

The Top Ten Breakfast is Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>.

The Val/Sal Reception is Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:45 p.m. It’s a busy time with graduations quickly approaching.

Superintendent Hissong publically recognized Heritage Elementary School principal, Mrs. Karen Charters, who is retiring at the end of this school year. Her retirement reception was held this afternoon. She wished her the very best!

**7.0 BOARD COMMENTS**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Mrs. Paulette Nellems	It’s good to be back!
Mr. Chris Baker	Attended the EACS Foundation dinner – the speaker, Mr. Jim Morris, was dynamic. Thank you to Mrs. Clouser Penrod. It was a wonderful evening; Thanked Mr. Goeglein for his safety report included in this board packet. Would like to see budget numbers to implement his suggestions as the safety of our staff/students is a priority.
Mrs. Gayle Etzler	Was sorry to have missed the EACS Foundation event, but was out of state.
Mr. Todd Buckmaster	Nice Retirement Reception for Mrs. Charters today; Thank you and kudos to the HEHS parents/workers who host after prom – it’s a great thing for the students.

Mr. Tim Hines

Thank you to Mrs. Clouser Penrod and the other Foundation board members (Mr. Baker) who made the Foundation event a success; The EACS Board received an "Outstanding Board" award at the ISBA meeting last evening.

**9.0 ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. Nellems moved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting ended at 7:15 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](http://www.eacs.k12.in.us).

The next regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. This meeting 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 21, 2019.

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