



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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

August 7, 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 August 7, 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
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
Mr. Tim Wiegand, Executive Director of Alternative and Career and Technical Education
Dr. Neal Brown III, Principal, Leo High School
Mrs. Danielle Newman, Principal, Paul Harding Junior High School
Mrs. Andra Kosmoski, 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

President Nelson led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.3 Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented, with an addendum to Consent Item 3.1 – Human Resources Report.

1.4 Recognitions

Leo High School junior Ashley Miller was named the “News Sentinel Softball Player of the Year”. Ashley was a major contributor to Leo’s 25-4 record this year as they won the NE8 Conference title and were Sectional and Regional champs!

This past school year as a sophomore, Ashley’s batting average was .484, with 44 hits and 41 RBIs. She broke the Leo High School record for homeruns in a season by hitting 9 - the previous record was 7. Her pitching record was 18-2 with a 0.75 ERA and 102 strikeouts in 84 innings. Batters only hit an average of .116 against her this season.

Her softball coach, Mr. Ben Shappell, says that “Ashley is a great player and teammate. She is an intense competitor and loves to play softball. When she is not in the game, she cheers loudly for her teammates—bottom line is that she wants to win!” Dr. Neal Brown III, Principal of Leo Jr./Sr. High School was on hand at tonight’s meeting.

2.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Mr. Kareem Hunter (H1 Elite Investment Group Representative)	Is excited about the opportunity to purchase the former Hoagland Elementary School

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 – Executive Session – July 10, 2018
- 3.5 Minutes – Regular Meeting – July 10, 2018
- 3.6 Minutes – Special Board Meeting – July 19, 2018
- 3.7 Minutes – Executive Session – July 19, 2018

Motion: That Consent Items 3.1 through 3.5, and the Addendum, be approved as presented.

Motion: Buckmaster Second: Etzler

Discussion: None.

Vote:

3.1 – 3.5 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)

Motion: That Consent Items 3.6 through 3.7, be approved as presented.

Motion: Hines

Second: Baker

Discussion: None.

Vote:

3.6 - 3.7 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot; Abstained: Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 5-0-2)

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

18-0807-4.1 Application and Receipt of Funds for Title II, Part A: Supporting Effective Instruction Grant

18-0807-4.2 Application and Receipt of Funds for Title IV Allocation Grant

18-0807-4.3 Agreement with Learning A-Z (Raz-Kids)

18-0807-4.4 Meet and Confer Management Proposals

18-0807-4.5 Contract with League for the Blind and Disabled

18-0807-4.6 Memorandum of Understanding with Goodwill Industries of Northeast Indiana

18-0807-4.7 Memorandum of Understanding with Fort Wayne Dance Collective

Motion: That Action Items 18-0807-4.1 through 18-0807-4.7 be approved as presented.

Motion: Buckmaster

Second: Hines

Discussion: None.

Vote:

4.1-4.7 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

18-0807-4.8 Contract with D. Rauline Morris

Mrs. Rose Fritzinger and Mrs. Danielle Newman presented information to the Board.

Questions: None.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 18-0807-4.8 be approved as presented.

Motion: Baker

Second: Etzler

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

18-0807-4.9 Revised Adult Breakfast Pricing for 2018-19SY

Mr. Dan Krleski presented information to the Board.

Questions: Mr. Krleski answered the Board members' questions.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 18-0807-4.9 be approved as presented.

Motion: Hines Second: Baker

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

18-0807-4.10 Sale of the Former Hoagland Elementary School

Mr. Kirby Stahly presented information to the Board.

Questions: Mr. Stahly answered Mr. Baker's question.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 18-0807-4.10 be approved as presented.

Motion: Buckmaster Second: Hines

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

18-0807-4.11 Resolution Regarding Business Personal Property Tax

Mr. Kirby Stahly presented information to the Board.

Questions: Mr. Stahly answered the Board members' questions.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 18-0807-4.11 be approved as presented.

Motion: Baker Second: Etzler

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

18-0807-4.12 RFP for Special Education Legal Services

Mrs. Connie Brown and Mrs. Tina Grady presented information to the Board.

Questions: None.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 18-0807-4.12 be approved as presented.

Motion: Buckmaster Second: Hines

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.6 Agreement with Rosetta Stone

Ms. Jennifer Heffernan provided information to the Board. President Nelson stated that the Board would like to see that more foreign languages be added as we are able to offer them.

5.7 Agreement with ELlevation

Ms. Jennifer Heffernan provided information to the Board.

6.0 SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Superintendent Hissong introduced newly elected EAEA president Mrs. Andra Kosmoski.

Fifty-five new teachers attended the New Teacher Academy today.

Registration at our school buildings took place last week.

Our building projects are coming together. Crews are working diligently to complete the work in time for the start of school. All four turf fields have been installed. The first home game, at each of our high schools, will be free to the public as a thank you to the community.

Mrs. Hissong distributed sample lessons to the Board that our schools will be using during our Kindness Challenge. Each of our schools will host a 30-day Kindness Challenge, teaching 4 lessons, at the end of which a “school ritual” will be adopted. These lessons will connect with our curriculum. Journal Gazette journalist, Mrs. Ashley Sloboda, will be observing the Challenge at Leo Elementary School next week and will publish an article.

7.0 BOARD COMMENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Mrs. Paulette Nellems	Is excited for school to start.
Mr. Todd Buckmaster	Congratulations to the H1 Investment group on purchasing the former Hoagland Elementary School. Would like to see us partner together in the future if the opportunity arises.
Mr. Chris Baker	It’s great to see the former Hoagland Elementary School being repurposed. Congratulations!; Toured NHHS recently – is impressed, pleased and excited at the first rate facility!
Mr. Tim Hines	Summer has flown by; To team H1 Elite Investments – it’s refreshing as a Board to help the community – we wish you the best. Would like to see us partner together in the future if the opportunity arises.
Mrs. Terry Jo Lightfoot	It’s exciting for school to be starting!

Mr. Bob Nelson

Is excited about the Kindness Challenge in our schools; Great things are happening throughout EACS!

8.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. Nellems moved that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting ended at 7:08 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 meeting of the Board of School Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, August 21, 2018 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 August 21, 2018.

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President

Secretary