



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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

December 4, 2018 - 11:30 a.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 December 4, 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. 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
Mr. Dave Myers, Director of Transportation
Mrs. Michelle Wenglikowski, Director of Student Services
Mr. Tim Wiegand, Executive Director of Alternative and Career and Technical Education
Dr. Neal Brown III, Principal, Leo High School
Mrs. Anna Murphy, Principal, New Haven High School
Dr. Matt Widenhoefer, Principal, Heritage Jr./Sr. 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, and the addition of Discussion/Action Item 18-1204-4.10 - Resolution to Authorize Cedarville Elementary School to Connect to Public Utility for Drinking Water.

1.4 Recognitions

Tennis State Champions

Congratulations to Leo High School seniors Eli Herran and Isaac Steiner. These two young men are the 2018 State Doubles Tennis Champions. Their season record was 19-0. They defeated Carmel in the finals. This is the first non-Indy team to win since the 2006-07 season. Both Eli and Isaac were All-Conference all four years and both were named 1st Team All-State this season. Principal Dr. Neal Brown was on hand.

National All-Academic Team

The Heritage High School girls soccer team has again achieved recognition for academic excellence from the United Soccer Coaches by receiving 2018 National All-Academic Team Award. The Lady Patriots team has a team GPA of 3.64. There are only 205 girls' teams honored with the Team Academic Award in the nation; in the state of Indiana, 11 girls team received this high honor. The Heritage girls have received this honor for 7 consecutive years, and this is currently the second longest streak in Indiana history! Coach Dean Trainer and Principal Dr. Matt Widenhoefer were on hand.

Future Business Leaders of America Scholarship Winners

The Future Business Leaders of America students from New Haven High School recently competed in the University of St. Francis Business Symposium. Four New Haven High students won \$15,000 scholarships (renewable for 3 additional years). Winners included: Christy Chandler, Jaya Ellis, Chase Geier, and Myaira Russell. On hand were New Haven High School's vocational teacher Ms. Freta Howard, JAG Coordinator Ms. Janee Langhorne, and Principal Mrs. Anna Murphy.

2.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – AGENDA AND NON-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 - November 13, 2018

3.5 Minutes – Executive Session - November 13, 2018

Motion: That Consent Items 3.1 through 3.4, and the Addendum, be approved as presented.

Motion: Buckmaster Second: Hines

Discussion: None.

Vote:

3.1 – 3.4 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)

Motion: That Consent Item 3.5 be approved as presented.

Motion: Buckmaster Second: Etzler

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

18-1204-4.1 Renewal of Property/Casualty/Liability and Workers' Compensation Insurance

18-1204-4.2 Resolution for Payment of Year-End Claims

18-1204-4.3 Bus Purchase of One (1) 14-Passenger Bus

18-1204-4.4 Parkview Health Systems Agreements

Motion: That Action Items 18-1204-4.1 through 18-1204-4.4 be approved as presented.

Motion: Hines Second: Etzler

Discussion: Mrs. Lightfoot thanked Mr. Stahly for waiting and bringing the Parkview Agreements to this meeting for a vote. She is now comfortable with them.

Vote:

4.1-4.4 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

18-1204-4.5 2018 Gasoline and Diesel Fuel Bids

Mr. Kirby Stahly presented information to the Board.

Questions: None.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 18-1204-4.5 be approved as presented.

Motion: Buckmaster Second: Hines

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

18-1204-4.6 Outbuildings Project (HEHS/LEHS) - Change Order #1 – Closeout of Project

Mr. Kirby Stahly presented information to the Board.

Questions: Mr. Stahly answered Mrs. Nellems' questions.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 18-1204-4.6 be approved as presented.

Motion: Buckmaster Second: Baker

Discussion: President Nelson asked HEHS principal Dr. Matt Widenhoefer and LEHS football coach Mr. Jared Sauder (who were in the audience) to give feedback about the outbuildings. Both men shared that they have received many positive comments on the new facilities and the turf fields from staff, community, other schools, etc. A great investment!

Vote:

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

18-1204-4.7 Board Policy 4004 – Financial Conditions

President Nelson presented information to the Board.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 18-1204-4.7 be approved as presented.

Motion: Hines Second: Baker

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

18-1204-4.8 Board Policy 4005 – Asset Protection

President Nelson presented information to the Board.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 18-1204-4.8 be approved as presented.

Motion: Hines Second: Etzler

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

18-1204-4.9 Board Policy 4006 – Compensation and Benefits

President Nelson presented information to the Board.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 18-1204-4.9 be approved as presented.

Motion: Lightfoot

Second: Baker

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

18-1204-4.10 Resolution to Authorize Cedarville Elementary School to Connect to Public Utility for Drinking Water

Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board.

Questions: Mr. Stahly answered Mrs. Lightfoot's and Mr. Hines' questions.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 18-1204-4.10 be approved as presented.

Motion: Etzler

Second: Hines

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

5.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 Conflicts of Interest

5.2 Revised Administrative Guideline 3546 – Cafeteria Programs

5.3 Revised Administrative Guideline 3630 – Collection and Forgiveness of Debt

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.4 Selection of A&E Firm for Asphalt/Cement Projects

Mr. Kirby Stahly provided information to the Board.

5.5 Selection of A&E Firm for Roofing Projects

Mr. Kirby Stahly provided information to the Board.

5.6 Selection of A&E Firm for Junior High Bleachers at Leo Jr./Sr. High School

Mr. Kirby Stahly provided information to the Board.

6.0 SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Superintendent Hissong shared how it's such a fun time of year with all of the holiday programs and concerts.

Thank you to the Board members for delivering cookies to our buildings!

Thank you to Mrs. Kelly for the nice Principal for a Day event and luncheon. Thank you to NHHS alumna Mr. Jay Leonard for providing lunch for the luncheon.

7.0 **BOARD COMMENTS**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Mrs. Paulette Nellems	Told Board President Nelson that she forgives him for his recent actions.
Mr. Todd Buckmaster	Heritage High School's drama/play is this weekend. Come out and support it.
Mr. Chris Baker	Is proud of our students who were recognized tonight – the FBLA students, plus the athletes who also excel academically; Enjoys doing the cookie deliveries to the schools.
Mr. Tim Hines	Enjoys the cookie deliveries and considers it a privilege to do them. Thanked all EACS employees for the roles they play; Thanked the District for the thoughts and prayers for his family at the passing of his mom.
Mrs. Gayle Etzler	Enjoyed her cookie delivery to WOHS and still has one more school to go.
Mrs. Terry Jo Lightfoot	Is enjoying her cookie deliveries and has enjoyed being accompanied by Santa (Mr. Rick Lightfoot).
Mr. Bob Nelson	Thanked Kirby for all of his recent hard work in getting information around re: the Cedarville water issue, etc.; Extended his thoughts and prayers to the Hines family; Told Mrs. Nellems he was truly sorry and he appreciated her words; Reminded everyone that the next board meeting in at 11:30 a.m. at New Haven Middle School.

8.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. Nellems moved that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting ended at 7:22 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, December 18, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. This meeting will be held at New Haven Middle School, 900 Prospect Avenue, New Haven, IN.

These minutes were approved and adopted by the East Allen County Schools Board of School Trustees on December 18, 2018.

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President

Secretary