

BOARD HAPPENINGS

September 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2016

SEPTEMBER 6th - REGULAR MEETING

- A Public Hearing was held for Additional Appropriations for Debt Services. Hearing no public expressions the Board voted to approve the additional appropriations for debt services. .
- Items approved by the Board included: Contract with Indiana School for the Blind/Low Vision (ISBVI); Architect/Engineering Selection – Barton Coe Vilamaa, Martin Riley, Moake Park, and Mosiac Building Solutions; SRO Agreement with Allen County; Resolution for Recommendation to Amend School Byways; Revised School Calendar for 2016-17SY (President's Day Off – No Longer a Makeup Day); Revised AG 6122.1 – Transfer of Credit; and IDOE Formative Assessment Grant.

SEPTEMBER 13th - WORK SESSION

The Board heard from all four of the building project A&E firms - Mosaic Building Solutions, Barton-Coe-Vilamaa, Martin Riley, and Moake Park. Each firm reviewed the scope and status of their assigned projects, and their timelines.

SEPTEMBER 20th - REGULAR MEETING

- A Public Hearing was held regarding the proposed 2017 Budget, Bus Replacement Plan and Capital Projects Plan. No public expressions were expressed.
- Items approved by the Board included: Revised AG 4213.5 - Educational Interpreters/Language Translators; Grant of Easement for the 2015 Septic Relief Projects – Maples Service Area; Contract Renewal with Bowen Center – Student Assistance Plan; MOU with Goodwill, Park Center and Pathfinder for Pre-Employment Training (PET); Participation in the 2017 Indiana Youth Survey; Application and Receipt of Funds for 21st Century Community Learning Center Partnerships; Resolution Regarding Business Personal Property Tax , and addendum items Construction Change Orders #1-4 @ **New Haven Primary School** – Bad Soil ; Concrete Sidewalk and ADA Accessibility; Bulkhead in Kitchen; and Deletion of Batt Insulation.

SEPTEMBER 27th - WORK SESSION

Mosaic Building Solutions – Have met with the building principals regarding the secure entries. Initial designs seem to show that all projects will come in under or at budget. Schematics should be done by October, then out to bid; Martin Riley—Presented three designs on the proposed secure entrance at **Leo Elementary School**; Barton-Coe-Vilamaa—Presented designs of the new **New Haven Intermediate School**. The school will now face US Hwy. 930 as requested by the Board; Kirby Stahly provided a very preliminary schedule of timelines for each of the construction projects. President Baker expressed his concern regarding the bid process and making sure we have enough money allocated for each project and alternates. Following Board discussion, Mr. Stahly will consult with the A&E firms and Doug Roemer to revamp this schedule.

RECOGNITIONS



In July, Sophi Schultz, a **Woodlan Jr./Sr. High School** senior, was named Miss Allen County Fair Queen, as well as Miss Congeniality and Miss Photogenic at the pageant. Sophi will compete for the 2017 State Fair title in January.

The Indiana Department of Education recently recognized **East Allen University** and **Leo Elementary School** for their success in the Promising Practices “Making it Happen” initiative. This initiative celebrates and recognizes schools across the state of Indiana for their effective implementation of innovative and/or inclusive educational practices. **East Allen University** was recognized for their partnership with Vincennes University. Doug Hicks is principal of **East Allen University**. **Leo Elementary** was recognized for the High Performance Teaming (HPT) classroom. Bill Diehl is principal of **Leo Elementary School**, and 6th grade LEEL teachers include Kevin Elrod, Jennifer Hale, Christy Sharp, and Austin Will.

EACS students who are members of the Fort Wayne Voices of Unity Youth Choir were recognized. This past summer the choir toured Europe and competed in the Musica Eterna Roma Festival and Competition in Rome, sang during Mass at The Vatican, performed in Venice, Italy and Vienna, Austria, ending with a competition in Budapest, Hungary. EACS students included: Gyneiya Davis – **New Haven High School** (Anna Murphy, Principal); Kayla Davis – **East Allen University** (Doug Hicks, Principal); Donta Dozier – **Prince Chapman Academy** (Pat McCann, Principal); Shonta Dozier – **Paul Harding Junior High School** (Danielle Newman, Principal); and Ja'Shawn Turner-Parks – **Leo Jr./Sr. High School** (Dr. Neal Brown III, Principal).



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PERSONNEL

~ Welcome New Hires ~

- Susan Applegate, bus monitor
- Taylor Autry, teacher, PCA
- Hillary Baumert, Targ. Asst. Specialist, HEEL
- Maggie Carroll, bus monitor
- Kory Christensen, family group specialist, NHMS
- Patsy Cirillo, food service, NHHS
- Maurice Culver, teacher, NHMS
- Thomas Franks, bus driver
- Emily Gruber, teacher, SOEL
- Diane Joustra, greeter, NHHS
- Julie Kurtz, paraprofessional, WOEL
- Marisa Lichtsinn, food service, HEHS
- Kara Lopez, food service, HEEL
- Christopher Mann, teacher, NHMS
- Susanna Miller, paraprofessional, PHLC
- Allisa Phillips, paraprofessional, PHLC
- Jennifer Reschley, food service, CEEL
- Donald Rhoades, maintenance — plumber
- Sharon Robinson, teacher, NHIS
- Sarah Rose, teacher, HEEL
- Sara Seitz, teacher, HEEL
- Then Gi Soe, bilingual interpreter, PCA
- Elizabeth Studebaker, teacher, PHJH
- John VanPatton, teacher, HEEL/NHPS
- Kathleen Williams, teacher
- Christina Woods, DW braille support

~ Resignations ~

- Laurie Altena, teacher, PCA, eff. 8/19/16
- Bobbi Jo Carroll, teacher, PCA, eff. 8/26/16
- Julie Coyne, paraprofessional, HEHS
- Michelle Dominquez-Laughlin, paraprofessional, NHMS, eff. 8/19/16
- Abby Moehring, bus driver, eff. 8/24/16
- Chaw Su Mon, bilingual interpreter, PCA, eff. 8/8/16
- Benita Moore, paraprofessional, SOEL, eff. 9/20/16
- Brian Noll, custodian, HEHS, eff. 9/20/16
- Brian Sheehan, teacher, NHMS, eff. 8/19/16
- Fred Ulrich, bus driver, eff. 9/23/16
- Richelle Watters, paraprofessional, eff. 7/14/16

~ Retirements ~

- Karen Archacki, teacher, NHPS, eff. 5/24/17
- John Harless, teacher, LEHS, eff. 5/24/17