



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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

January 20, 2015 - 6:33 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 6:38 p.m. on January 20, 2015.

Board members present:

Christopher T. Baker, President
Robert L. Nelson, Jr., Vice President
Terry Jo Lightfoot, Secretary
Leland L. Etzler
Timothy E. Hines
Arden L. Hoffman
Paulette Nellems

Board members absent:

None

EACS Administrators and Association Presidents also in attendance:

Dr. Kenneth H. Folks, Superintendent
Mrs. Marilyn Hissong, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction
Dr. Michael B. Shaffer, Asst. Superintendent of School Management & Special Programs
Mr. Kirby Stahly, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services
Ms. Amanda Ricketts, Director of Human Resources
Mrs. Tamyra Kelly, Public Relations Liaison
Mrs. Rose Fritzing, Director of Development
Mrs. Lois Goeglein, Manager of Financial Services
Mrs. Teresa Knoblauch, Director of Title III
Mr. Keith Madsen, Director of Technology
Mr. Ed Mendoza, Director of Student Services
Ms. Thelma Green, Principal, Prince Chapman Academy
Dr. Teresa Gremaux, Principal, Paul Harding Junior High School
Mrs. Terri Lortie, President, EACS Custodial Association
Ms. Janet McEvoy, President, EACS Transportation Association

1.0 ROUTINE ITEMS

1.1 Call to Order

President Chris Baker called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

1.3 Approval of Agenda

The agenda for January 20, 2015 was approved as presented, with the deletion of 1.4 Recognitions, and addendums to Consent Items 3.1 Human Resources Report and 3.2 Financial Reports.

1.4 Recognitions

None.

2.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – AGENDA ITEMS

None.

3.0 CONSENT ITEMS

Superintendent Folks requested the Board's approval for the Consent Items as presented as follows:

3.1 Human Resources Report

3.2 Financial Reports

3.3 Meetings and Conferences

3.4 Minutes - Regular Meeting – January 6, 2015

3.5 Minutes – Executive Session – January 13, 2015

Motion: That Consent Items 3.1 through 3.5 be approved as presented.

Motion: Hines

Second: Nellems

Discussion: None.

Vote:

3.1 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson; Against: Hoffman (Motion carried 6-1)

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

3.3 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson; Against: Hoffman (Motion carried 6-1)

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

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

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

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

15-0120-4.1 Contract with Jennifer England for Conducting Evaluations

15-0120-4.2 Contract with Patricia Davenport Consulting, LLC

President Baker stated that these items had been previously discussed at the last board meeting. Since no additional information was brought forth by the Superintendent Mr. Baker called for the vote.

Vote:

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

4.2- Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nelson; Against: Hoffman; Abstained: Nellems (Motion carried 5-1-1)

5.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 2014 Year End Financial Report

This information is given to the Board on an annual basis. Mr. Stahly answered Mr. Hoffman's questions.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.2 Amendment to EACS' Health and Welfare Plan - Spousal Carve-Out

Mr. Stahly provided information for the Board and answered their questions.

5.3 Contract with ASCD for Virginia Rojas Professional Development Workshop

Dr. Shaffer and PCA Principal Thelma Green provided information for the Board and answered their questions.

5.4 Request for Use of Infrastructure Improvement Funding

Mr. Madsen provided information for the Board and answered their questions. Mr. Hines asked if it would help to take action on this item this evening due to the February 4th deadline. Dr. Folks stated it is not necessary, and waiting for approval until the next board meeting would give the Board more time to get any follow up questions answered between now and the next board meeting.

6.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Monica Griffin and Mrs. Russell	Seeking an expulsion appeal
Pastor Gonzalee Martin	Inquiring about the upcoming Special Work Sessions

7.0 SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Dr. Folks publically thanked Mr. Mike Clendenen, Superintendent of New Haven Adams Township Parks and Recreation, for providing two Jury pool passes to our New Haven area schools as incentives.

Reminder of EACS/ABC High School Construction Prep Academy Open House tomorrow, January 21 at the ABC facility, from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

Thank you to Mrs. Julie Labie for the new nameplate system that she installed and thank you to Mr. Baker for the suggestion.

8.0 BOARD COMMENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Arden Hoffman	Expulsion appeal protocol; has questions to be added to the iPad survey; Comments about upcoming meetings; Area Superintendents' collective stance on state funding.
Chris Baker	Reminders: Board members should contact Dr. Folks prior to visiting a building as a courtesy; get a name badge from the Maintenance Dept.; Special Work Sessions on 1/26 (transportation) and 2/2 (building utilization) and Executive Session on 1/27.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. Lightfoot moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Nelson seconded it, and the motion passed 5-2 with Mrs. Nellems and Mr. Hoffman dissenting. The meeting ended at 7:55 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.

Special Work Sessions of the Board will be held on Monday, January 26, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. (transportation) and Monday, February 2, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. (building utilization). The next regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, February 3, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. These meetings will be held at the EACS 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 February 3, 2015.

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President

Secretary