



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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

March 3, 2015 - 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 March 3, 2015.

Board members present:

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

Board members absent:

Terry Jo Lightfoot, Secretary

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
Mrs. Connie Brown, Director of Special Services
Ms. Amanda Ricketts, Director of Human Resources
Mrs. Rose Fritzinger, Director of Development
Mrs. Lois Goeglein, Manager of Financial Services
Mrs. Teresa Knoblauch, Director of Title III
Mr. Ed Mendoza, Director of Student Services
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 6:30 p.m.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

1.3 Approval of Agenda

The agenda for March 3, 2015 was approved as presented, with an addendum to Consent Items – 3.1 Human Resource Report, and the tabling of Action Items 15-0303-4.5 through 15-0303-4.8.

Motion: That Action Items 15-0303-4.5 through 15-0303-4.8 be tabled until the March 17, 2015 Board meeting.

Motion: Baker Second: Etzler

Vote:

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

1.4 Recognitions

Mr. Joseph Stephan, of AgriGold Hybrids, presented FFA Advisors Michael Shirey and Chris Hall, along with the Heritage FFA, a check for \$2,500.00 on behalf of The Monsanto Fund and America's Farmers Grow Communities. Also on hand was Mrs. Edna Castleman (farmer) who nominated HEHS's FFA as the recipient of the award.

2.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – AGENDA ITEMS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Michael Coomer	iPads and Technology

3.0 CONSENT ITEMS

Superintendent Folks 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 – February 17, 2015**
- 3.5 **Minutes – Executive Session – February 24, 2015**

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

Motion: Nelson Second: Hines

Discussion: Mr. Hoffman asked several items.

Vote:

- 3.1 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Hoffman, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 6-0)
- 3.2 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Hoffman, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 6-0)
- 3.3 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Nellems, Nelson; Against: Hoffman (Motion carried 5-1)
- 3.4 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Nellems, Nelson; Against: Hoffman (Motion carried 5-1)
- 3.5 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Nelson; Against: Hoffman, Nellems (Motion carried 4-2)

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

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

15-0303-4.1 Partnership Opportunity with Science Central

15-0303-4.2 Building Corporation Members

15-0303-4.3 Selection of A & E Firms

15-0303-4.4 Contract for Demographic Study by McKibben Demographic Research

Motion: That Action Items 15-0303-4.1 through 15-0303-4.4 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nellems Second: Hines

Vote:

- 4.1 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Hoffman, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 6-0)
- 4.2 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Hoffman, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 6-0)
- 4.3 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Nellems, Nelson; Against: Hoffman (Motion carried 5-1)
- 4.4 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Hoffman, Nellems, Nelson; Abstained: Hoffman (Motion carried 5-0-1)

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

15-0303-4.9 NHEL Restroom Renovation Bid Award

Discussion: Mr. Hoffman asked questions about the contractors.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 15-0303-4.9 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nelson Second: Etzler

4.9 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Nelson; Abstained: Nellems; Against: Hoffman (Motion carried 4-1-1)

5.0 INFORMATION ITEMS/PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 Annual Report - School Safety

5.2 Annual Report - Facilities

PRESENTATIONS

5.3 Annual Measurable Achievement Objectives (AMAO) EL Results

Mrs. Knoblauch presented information to the Board and answered their questions.

5.4 Teacher/Student iPad/Laptop Survey

Mr. Madsen presented information to the Board and answered their questions.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.5 Application and Receipt of Funds for AWS Foundation Grant

Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Fritzinger provided information for the Board.

5.6 Contract with STAR Autism Support

Mrs. Brown provided information for the Board.

5.7 Charity Partnership Status with Fort4Fitness

Mrs. Fritzinger and Mrs. Kelly provided information.

5.8 Five Year Technology Plan

Mr. Madsen provided information for the Board and answered their questions. After discussion there was consensus to hold a Special Work Session to discuss the district's 5-year technology plan. This meeting has been set for Tuesday, March 14th at 6:30 p.m. Mr. Baker directed that any questions that the Board has regarding technology/devices, etc. be sent to Dr. Folks (and copying all Board members) by this Friday, March 6th.

5.9 New Board Policy 1009 – Nondiscrimination

Ms. Ricketts and Mrs. Brown provided information for the Board. There was no discussion

Motion: That Discussion Item 5.9 be approved as presented.

Motion: Hoffman Second: Nelson

Vote:

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

5.10 Gift Card Usage Resolution

Mrs. Goeglein provided information for the Board and answered their questions.

6.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

7.0 SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Today was the district's eighth closed day of school with e-Learning in place. ISTEP testing was to have begun today, but will begin tomorrow.

8.0 BOARD COMMENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Bob Nelson	Mrs. Lightfoot has a new grandson. Thanked the crowd for coming out tonight; positives associated with e-Learning Days.
Paulette Nellems	Hessen Cassel Branch library has expressed concerns about students and e-Learning days. Dr. Folks will contact the library tomorrow; Letter of support – has not seen it yet.
Arden Hoffman	Issues, costs, and negatives associated with e-Learning Days; Letter of support.
Tim Hines	Expressed his thoughts about e-Learning.
Chris Baker	NHHS Fundraiser – Basketball game between K-105 Hoopsters vs. Mad Anthony H.O. G. Chapter – proceeds to Wounded Warrior Project – March 10, doors open at 6:30 p.m., game time - 7:00 p.m.; Signed letter of support to all employees.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Nelson moved to adjourn the meeting. and the meeting ended at 8:15 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.

The next regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, March 17, 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 March 17, 2015.

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President

Secretary