



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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

July 15, 2014 - 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 July 15, 2014.

Board members present:

Neil S. Reynolds, President
Christopher T. Baker, Vice President
Stephen L. Terry, Sr., Secretary
William D. Hartman
Arden L. Hoffman
Terry Jo Lightfoot
Robert L. Nelson, Jr.

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
Mrs. Connie Brown, Director of Special Services
Ms. Amanda Ricketts, Director of Human Resources
Mrs. Tamyra Kelly, Public Relations Liaison
Mrs. Rose Fritzing, Director of Development
Mrs. Teresa Knoblauch, Director of Title III
Mr. Keith Madsen, Director of Technology
Mrs. Terri Lortie, President, EACS Custodial Association
Ms. Janet McEvoy, President, EACS Transportation Association

1.0 ROUTINE ITEMS

1.1 Call to Order

President Neil Reynolds 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 July 15, 2014 was approved as presented.

2.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – AGENDA ITEMS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Stepdad of New Tuition Transfer Student	Requested approval for son to attend CEEL

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 Board Meeting – June 17, 2014
- 3.5 Minutes – Executive Session – June 24, 2014
- 3.6 Minutes – Special Board Meeting – June 24, 2014

Motion: That Consent Items 3.1 through 3.6 be approved as presented.

Motion: Baker Second: Lightfoot

Discussion: Mrs. Lightfoot and Mr. Hoffman asked questions about the teachers RIF list on the 3.1 Human Resources Report, which Dr. Folks and Ms. Ricketts explained. Mr. Nelson stated that he will be voting no on the 3.3 Meetings and Conferences Report as he does not agree with approving meeting/conference requests for people when the vendor's training contract has not yet been approved. Dr. Folks explained that there is a precedent for asking for approval prior to the approval of a contract. Mr. Hoffman asked about the different stipend amounts being paid out. Mr. Hoffman had questions for Mr. Stahly about several of the financial reports. Mr. Hoffman asked for a summary of all accounts be given to the Board. Since there was not Board consensus for this, it was decided that Mr. Reynolds and Mr. Hoffman will meet separately with Mr. Stahly.

Vote:

- 3.1 - Aye: Baker, Hartman, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nelson, Reynolds, Terry (Motion carried 7-0)
- 3.2 - Aye: Baker, Hartman, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nelson, Reynolds, Terry (Motion carried 7-0)
- 3.3 - Aye: Baker, Hartman, Lightfoot, Reynolds, Terry; Against: Hoffman, Nelson (Motion carried 5-2)
- 3.4 - Aye: Baker, Hartman, Lightfoot, Nelson, Reynolds, Terry; Abstained: Hoffman (Motion carried 6-1-0)
- 3.5 - Aye: Baker, Hartman, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nelson, Reynolds, Terry (Motion carried 7-0)
- 3.6 - Aye: Baker, Hartman, Lightfoot, Nelson, Reynolds, Terry; Against: Hoffman (Motion carried 6-1)

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

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

Motion: That the Board of School Trustees approves Action Items 14-0715-4.1 through 14-0715-4.3 as presented.

Motion: Baker Second: Hartman

14-0715-4.1 Employee Handbook

Mr. Hoffman asked several questions regarding the use of EACS computer hardware and Software, and the possession of firearms on school properties.

14-0715-4.2 Resolution - Heritage Elementary School Is No Longer Needed for School Purposes

14-0715-4.3 Resolution – Woodlan Primary School Is No Longer Needed for School Purposes

Vote

4.1 - Aye: Baker, Hartman, Lightfoot, Nelson, Reynolds, Terry; Against: Hoffman (Motion carried 6-1)

4.2 - Aye: Baker, Hartman, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nelson, Reynolds, Terry (Motion carried 7-0)

4.3 - Aye: Baker, Hartman, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nelson, Reynolds, Terry (Motion carried 7-0)

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

14-0715-4.4 Application and Receipt of Supplemental Title III Funds for WIDA ELD Standards Implementation Grant

Mrs. Knoblauch presented information to the Board.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 14-0715-4.4 be approved as presented.

Motion: Baker Second: Terry

Discussion: Several questions were asked which Mrs. Knoblauch answered.

Vote:

4.4 - Aye: Baker, Hartman, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nelson, Reynolds, Terry (Motion carried 7-0)

14-0715-4.5 Contract with Patricia Davenport Consulting, LLC

Dr. Shaffer presented information to the Board.

Discussion: The majority of the Board would like us to not enter into proprietary contracts whenever possible so that the “train the trainer” model can be used throughout the district. Mr. Terry expressed an interest in attending this training. Dr. Shaffer invited Board members to attend this training if they would like.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 14-0715-4.5 be approved as presented.

Motion: Baker Second: Terry

Vote:

4.5 - Aye: Baker, Hartman, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nelson, Reynolds, Terry (Motion carried 7-0)

14-0715-4.6 Contract with GrapeSeed - English for Children

Mrs. Knoblauch presented information to the Board.

Discussion: Several Board members asked questions which Mrs. Knoblauch answered.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 14-0715-4.6 be approved as presented.

Motion: Baker Second: Terry

Vote:

4.6 - Aye: Baker, Hartman, Lightfoot, Nelson, Reynolds, Terry; Against: Hoffman (Motion carried 6-1)

14-0715-4.7 IP Camera System Bid

Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board.

Discussion: Mr. Baker wanted to be sure that Mr. Stahly felt confident that the low bidder did not attend the pre-bid conference. Mr. Stahly stated that he did as there has been much correspondence back and forth via e-mail/phone.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 14-0715-4.7 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nelson Second: Lightfoot

Vote:

4.7 - Aye: Baker, Hartman, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nelson, Reynolds, Terry (Motion carried 7-0)

14-0715-4.8 Purchase of New Computers for Staff in Grades 7-12 Buildings

President Reynolds stated that due to the amount of conversation that has already taken place among Board members on this topic, that unless any new information would be brought forward, the vote should proceed.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 14-0715-4.8 be approved as presented.

Motion: Terry Second: Hartman

Discussion: Mr. Baker stated that he is not sold that we are going down the right path. Mr. Hoffman shared information on HPs that he had researched. Mr. Reynolds weighed in on the conversation as did Mr. Nelson and Mr. Hartman. All agreed that the Board needs to take a lengthy look at the long term big picture of technology for the district. A special meeting will be set in the future for this discussion.

Mr. Baker called for the question to end debate.

Vote – Call for the Question:

Aye: Baker, Hartman, Lightfoot, Nelson, Reynolds, Terry; Against: Hoffman (Motion to end debate carried 6-1)

Vote – Original Motion:

4.8 - Aye: Hartman, Lightfoot, Reynolds, Terry

Against: Baker, Hoffman, Nelson (Motion carried 4-3)

5.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

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5.1 Conflict of Interest Statements for the 2014-15SY

5.2 Grant/Allocation Log – 2nd Quarter 2014

5.3 Retention Report

5.4 Health Services Report for 2013-14SY

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.5 Application and Receipt of Funds for Indiana College Success Mentoring (ICSM) Partnership

Mrs. Fritzinger provided information to the Board and answered their questions.

5.6 Application and Receipt of Funds for Title III Allocation to Serve Limited English Proficient (LEP) Students

Mrs. Knoblauch provided information for the Board.

5.7 Contract with Goodwill Industries

Mrs. Brown provided information for the Board.

5.8 Contract with Easter Seals Arc

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

5.9 Contract with School Improvement Network (PD360)

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

5.10 Procurement Services for Food Service Program

Mr. Stahly provided information for the Board.

5.11 Meet and Confer Management Proposals

Ms. Ricketts provided information for the Board and answered their questions.

5.12 Student iPads - One-Year Extension to Previously Adopted

Dr. Folks provided information for the Board and answered their questions. It was again stated by Mr. Baker that a special meeting needs to be set to discuss technology's long term plan/focus.

5.13 CPF/Bus Replacement Budget Presentation

Mr. Stahly provided information for the Board.

6.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

7.0 SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Dr. Folks expressed that our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Heritage Jr./Sr. High school teacher Pat Franklin who died last week. Mr. Franklin taught at Heritage for the last 17 years teaching both English and Social Studies.

School starts 4 weeks from today on August 12th.

Board members were given a copy of "Dreamland News" which will be sent next week to all EACS households.

Woodburn Day in the Park Parade is this Saturday, July 19th. Meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Methodist Church.

August 1st (Woodlan – 10:00 a.m.) and August 2nd (Heritage – 11:30 a.m.) are the Open Houses for the new K-12 building projects.

8.0 BOARD COMMENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Terry Lightfoot	Attended the ISBA Summer Academy – has lots of information to share if interested.
Chris Baker	Transportation Audit

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss the meeting ended at approximately 9:17 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 Board meeting of the Board of School Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, August 5, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. 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 August 5, 2014.

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President

Secretary