



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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

February 16, 2016 - 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 February 16, 2016.

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

Board members absent:

Paulette Nellems

EACS Administrators and Association Presidents also in attendance:

Dr. Kenneth H. Folks, Superintendent
Mrs. Marilyn Hissong, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education
Mr. Kirby Stahly, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services
Ms. Deborah Watson, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education
Mrs. Connie Brown, Director of Special Services
Mrs. Rose Fritzinger, Director of Development and Title I
Mrs. Tina Grady, Director of Human Resources
Mrs. Tamyra Kelly, Public Information Officer
Mrs. Teresa Knoblauch, Director of Title III
Mr. Keith Madsen, Director of Technology
Mr. David Myers, Director of Transportation
Mrs. Danielle Newman, Principal, Paul Harding Junior High School
Mrs. Terri Lortie, President, EACS Custodial Association
Ms. Janet McEvoy, President, EACS Transportation Association
Mr. Mark Nash, President, East Allen Educator's 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 was approved as presented.

1.4 Recognitions

- Nicole Winans, a senior at East Allen University, was recognized for having won the Allen County Public Library Poetry Contest. She read her winning poem entitled, "True Colors."
- Leo Jr./Sr. High School's Academic Decathlon Team placed 1st at the area qualifier competition. The following students placed overall in their divisions:
 - 1st place - Maddie Anglin, Michael Byler, and Ashby Drummond
 - 2nd place - Jenna Fuchs, Blake Kem, and Zachary Monnier
 - 3rd place - Abbey Russell and Michael Witte
- The Regional Scholastic Writing Winners from Leo Jr./Sr. High School were recognized:
 - Jessica Hamilton - Silver Key - Short story *The House on Prairie Lane*
 - Grayson Spaw - Silver Key - Short story *No Answer*
 - 2 Gold Keys - Stories *Caresse sur L'Ocean* and *The Human Mind*
 - Madi Turpin - Gold Key - Short story *Existent Nightmares*

The Regional Scholastic Art Winners were recognized:

- Aerin Goldman - Honorable Mention in Drawing and Illustration
- Rylan Capper - Gold Key in Photography
- Hannah Simpson - Gold Key in Painting
- Michael Ganser - 2 Gold Keys, both in Drawing and Illustration

These works are on display at the Fort Wayne Museum of Art through March. The Gold Key Recipients' works have been sent digitally to New York City to be judged in the National Competition. Coaches are LEHS teachers Molly Baumert and Robert Tonkel.

1.5 Legislative Update

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 – February 2, 2016**

Motion: That Consent Items 3.1 through 3.4 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nelson Second: Etzler

Discussion: None. Mr. Stahly answered Mr. Hoffman's questions.

Vote:

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

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

16-0216-4.1 Provide Kindergarten Countdown Program in Partnership with United Way of Allen County

16-0216-4.2 School Calendars for 2017-18SY and 2018-19SY

16-0216-4.3 2017 Budget Schedule

Motion: That the Action Items 16-0216-4.1 through 16-0216-4.3 be approved as presented.

Motion: Hines Second: Etzler

Discussion: Mr. Hoffman and Mrs. Lightfoot commented on the proposed school calendars. Dr. Folks will try to speak with Superintendent Ritz tomorrow in person about eLearning approval deadlines.

Vote:

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

5.0 INFORMATION ITEMS/PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 Assessment Data

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.2 New Administrative Guideline 3300 – Post-Issuance Compliance Procedures & Annual Checklist (Appendix A)

Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board and answered Mr. Hoffman's questions.

5.3 New Administrative Guideline 3546.3 – Review/Audit of Free and Reduced Lunch Applications

Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board and answered Mr. Hoffman's questions.

5.4 New Administrative Guideline 3600 - Threshold for Material Loss, Shortage, or Theft of School Funds or Property

Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board and answered Mr. Hoffman's and Mrs. Lightfoot's questions.

5.5 Revised Administrative Guideline 6111.1 - Emergency Closing and Delaying of Schools

Mr. Myers presented information to the Board and answered the Board members' questions.

5.6 Request to Upgrade Web Filter Hardware

Mr. Madsen presented information to the Board.

6.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

7.0 SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Dr. Folks will be in Indianapolis tomorrow as part of the Upper Wabash Valley School Study Council. He will meet with State School Superintendent Glenda Ritz as well as a number of Indiana legislators. Dr. Folks will ask Superintendent Ritz about the eLearning deadline application process.

There is a School Board lunch visit on Tuesday, February 23 at Prince Chapman Academy beginning at 10:45 a.m.

8.0 BOARD COMMENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Terry Jo Lightfoot	Likes "Walk Through Wednesdays."
Chris Baker	Commented on editorial on "Effective Education" written by a high school senior; Good luck to our State-bound wrestlers – Isaac Eicher (LEHS) and Owen Doster (NHHS).

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Hines moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Etzler seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 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 1, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.. This meeting 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 1, 2016.

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President

Secretary