



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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

**March 1, 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 March 1, 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  
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 Elementary Education  
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. Teresa Knoblauch, Director of Title III  
Mr. Keith Madsen, Director of Technology  
Mr. Doug Roemer, Director of Facilities  
Mrs. Michelle Wenglikowski, Director of Student Services  
Mrs. Lois Goeglein, Manager of Financial Services  
Mr. Doug Hicks, Principal, East Allen University  
Mr. Ron Kammeyer, Principal, Woodlan Jr./Sr. High School  
Mrs. Danielle Newman, Principal, Paul Harding Junior High School  
Dr. Odelet Nance, Assistant Dean of Instruction, East Allen University  
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, with an addendum to Consent Item 3.1 Human Resources Report.

### **1.4 Recognitions**

#### **National Merit Scholarship Finalist**

Devin Dubbelde, a senior at New Haven High School, has been named a 2016 National Merit Scholarship finalist. Devin's GPA is 12.13. He is ranked first in his class. He is involved in National Honor Society, Key Club, Varsity Boys Soccer, Student Council, SADD, CANstruction, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and has received awards such as New Haven High School Engineering, Science and Language Arts Awards, the Rensselaer Medal Award, and was also a Soccer All Academic Player.

#### **Academic All-State Football Student Athletes**

The district's Academic All-State Football student athletes were recognized for their achievement. The criteria to be selected are: 1) Must be a junior or senior; 2) Must be listed on the team's sectional roster, and 3) Must have at least a 9.4 GPA or higher on a 12.0 scale. They are:

#### **Heritage Jr./Sr. High School:**

Noah VanHorn

#### **New Haven High School:**

Ryan Perkins

#### **Woodlan Jr./Sr. High School:**

Mitchell VanBrocklin

### **1.5 Legislative Update**

Legislators are working to remove some of the regulations public schools are under.

**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 and Addendum**
- 3.2 Financial Reports**
- 3.3 Meetings and Conferences**
- 3.4 Minutes – Executive Session – February 16, 2016**
- 3.5 Minutes – Regular Meeting – February 16, 2016**

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

Motion: Nelson                      Second: Hines

**Discussion:** None.

**Vote:**

- 3.1 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)
- 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, Nelson; Abstained: Nellems (Motion carried 6-0-1)
- 3.5 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nelson; Abstained: Nellems (Motion carried 6-0-1)

**4.0 ACTION ITEMS**

**16-0301-4.1 New Administrative Guideline 3300 – Post-Issuance Compliance Procedures & Annual Checklist (Appendix A)**

**16-0301-4.2 New Administrative Guideline 3546.3 – Review/Audit of Free and Reduced Lunch Applications**

**16-0301-4.3 New Administrative Guideline 3600 - Threshold for Material Loss Shortage, or Theft of School Funds or Property**

**16-0301-4.4 Revised Administrative Guideline 6111.1 - Emergency Closing and Delaying of Schools**

**16-0301-4.5 Request to Upgrade Web Filter Hardware**

**Discussion:** None.

**Motion:** That the Action Items 16-0301-4.1 through 16-0301-4.5 be approved as presented.

Motion: Lightfoot                      Second: Nelson

**Vote:**

- 4.1 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson; Against: Hoffman (Motion carried 6-1)
- 4.2 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson; Against: Hoffman (Motion carried 6-1)
- 4.3 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)
- 4.4 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)
- 4.5 - Aye: Baker, Etzler, Hines, Hoffman, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)

**DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**16-0301-4.6 New Haven Primary School Preschool Addition Bid Award**

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

**Discussion:** Since we received and accepted a good bid on the project, President Baker asked if the glass at entrances at NHPS could be treated with a safety film. Mr. Roemer will check on this.

**Motion:** That Discussion/Action Item 16-0301-4.6 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nelson                      Second: Hines

**Vote:**

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

**16-0301-4.7 Architect Selection for HEHS Student Entrance Canopy**

Mr. Roemer presented information to the Board.

**Discussion:** Mr. Roemer answered Mr. Hoffman's questions.

**Motion:** That Discussion/Action Item 16-0301-4.7 be approved as presented.

Motion: Lightfoot                      Second: Nelson

**Vote:**

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

**16-0301-4.8 Criminal History Background Check Provider Change**

Mrs. Grady presented information to the Board.

**Discussion:** Mrs. Grady answered the Board members' questions.

**Motion:** That Discussion/Action Item 16-0301-4.8 be approved as presented.

Motion: Hines                              Second: Nelson

**Vote:**

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

**5.0 INFORMATION ITEMS/PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

**5.1 Annual Report - School Safety**

**5.2 Annual Report - Facilities**

**5.3 Annual Report - Special Education Programs**

**PRESENTATIONS**

**5.4 Harding Attendance Area Longitudinal Study**

East Allen University Principal, Mr. Doug Hicks, and Paul Harding Junior High School Principal, Mrs. Danielle Newman, presented data to the Board on the success of EAU and PHJH and how Harding attendance area students are faring at their chosen high schools. They answered the Board members' questions.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**5.5 Request for Use of Infrastructure Improvement Funding**

Mrs. Hissong presented information to the Board.

**6.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Rev. Stephen Terry	Would like to see an academic addition to PHJH as part of the proposed building project/Referendum.

**7.0 SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS**

ISTEP testing is underway.

March 11 marks the end of the third nine weeks.

The boys basketball Sectional begins tonight. New Haven High School is hosting some of the games.

The ISBA Leadership Seminar will be held this Tuesday, March 8, from 6-9 PM, at Woodside Middle School (SACS).

**8.0 BOARD COMMENTS**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Bob Nelson	Thanked Dr. Folks and the school principals for their data war room presentations, as well as having a passionate staff who want to see their students succeed. Excited about EAU's results and opportunities for students.

Terry Lightfoot	Ditto on what Mr. Nelson said. EACS school lunches are exceptional.
Paulette Nellems	Is supportive of what schools are doing, but due to her work schedule she is not able to attend many school events.
Chris Baker	Is appreciative to school staffs for the data that was compiled and presented tonight; Good luck to our 3 boys basketball teams during Sectionals; Congratulations to our two EACS wrestlers (NHHS an Leo) who both placed 5 <sup>th</sup> at the state wrestling tournament.

**9.0 ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. Nellems moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Lightfoot seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 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](http://www.eacs.k12.in.us).

The next regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, March 15, 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 15, 2016.

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