



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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

**March 15, 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 15, 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 (arrived at 6:35 p.m.)  
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  
Mr. Kirby Stahly, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services  
Ms. Deborah Watson, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education  
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  
Mrs. Michelle Wenglikowski, Director of Student Services  
Mr. Doug Pickett, Principal, New Haven Middle 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, with an addendum to Consent Item 3.1 Human Resources Report.

### 1.4 Recognitions

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual EACS' Digital Day Video Contest winners were recognized for a job well done and the winning videos were shown as well. These videos are posted on the EACS website. Winners include:

#### K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade

1<sup>st</sup> place - Samantha Browning – 3<sup>rd</sup> grader at New Haven Intermediate School  
Category - "Unique Skills"

#### 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade

1<sup>st</sup> place – Landon Thompson, 8<sup>th</sup> grader at Leo Jr./Sr. High School  
Category - "Anti-Bullying"

2<sup>nd</sup> place – Lane Hasselman – 8<sup>th</sup> grader at Leo Jr./Sr. High School  
Category - "School Spirit"

3<sup>rd</sup> place – Edward Stuckey – 6<sup>th</sup> grader at Woodlan Elementary School  
Category - "Unique Skills"

#### 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade

1<sup>st</sup> place – Nicole Winans – 12<sup>th</sup> grade at East Allen University  
Category "Dream It, Do It"

2<sup>nd</sup> place - Yunes Al-Hobane (12<sup>th</sup> grade), Zak Major (12<sup>th</sup> grade), Nick Sizemore (11<sup>th</sup> grade), Rodarius Hollins (11<sup>th</sup> grade), and Jamall Owens (10<sup>th</sup> grade)  
– New Haven High School - Category – "Anti-Bullying"

### 1.5 Legislative Update

Nothing new to report.

## 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 – Regular Meeting – March 1, 2016**

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

Motion: Nellems                      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, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)

**4.0 ACTION ITEMS**

**16-0315-4.1      Request for Use of Infrastructure Improvement Funding**

Mr. Madsen presented information to the Board.

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

**Motion:** That Action Item 16-0315-4.1 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nelson                      Second: Etzler

**Vote:**

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

**DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**16-0315-4.2      Application and Receipt of Funds for the FIRST STEM Equity  
Community Innovation Grant**

Mrs. Fritzinger and Mr. David Broerman, a teacher at Paul Harding High School, presented information to the Board.

**Discussion:** Mrs. Fritzinger and Mr. Broerman answered Mr. Hoffman's questions

**Motion:** That Discussion/Action Item 16-0315-4.2 be approved as presented.

Motion: Hoffman                      Second: Nellems

**Vote:**

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

**16-0315-4.3      Application and Receipt of Funds for the Drug and Alcohol  
Consortium of Allen County Grant**

Mrs. Fritzinger and Mr. Jeff Studebaker, Manager of School Safety, presented information to the Board

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

**Motion:** That Discussion/Action Item 16-0315-4.3 be approved as presented.

Motion: Hines                      Second: Lightfoot

**Vote:**

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

**16-0315-4.4      Textbook Adoption – Grades K-6 Math**

Mrs. Hissong presented information to the Board.

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

**Motion:** That Discussion/Action Item 16-0315-4.4 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nelson                      Second: Hines

**Vote:**

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

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

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**5.1      Contract with Marzano Research for New Haven Middle School Training**

Mrs. Fritzinger and Mr. Pickett presented information to the Board.

**5.2      iPad Purchase to Support Curriculum**

Mr. Madsen and Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board. President Baker encouraged Board members to reach out to each other with any questions/concerns/issues regarding iPads or the use of other devices during the next few weeks prior to the next board meeting.

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

None.

**7.0      SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS**

Congratulations to the Leo Hockey Team State Champs. The team will be recognized at the next board meeting.

ISTEP testing has been completed. I-READ 3 testing is now underway.

A public thank you to New Haven Mayor Terry McDonald who is very supportive of the upcoming referendum and shared his support in his State of the City Address on Monday night.

Reminder: March 25<sup>th</sup> is Good Friday. Our schools and offices are closed that day.

**8.0 BOARD COMMENTS**

**Name**

Chris Baker

**Topic**

An Executive Session has been set for Tuesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30 p.m.; Tim Hines, Dr. Folks and Chris attended the ISBA Leadership Seminar at SACS – encouraged all to attend these when possible; Reminder: EACS Educational Foundation Dinner is May 20<sup>th</sup> at the Mirro Center – Jeff Saturday will be speaking; Congratulations to the Leo Hockey team State Champs; Thank you to New Haven Mayor Terry McDonald for his support and positive comments about the upcoming referendum during his State of the City Address. His speech will be aired tonight at 8:00 p.m. on WHNH 101.3 FM.

**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 7:36 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, April 12, 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 April 12, 2016.

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President

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Secretary