



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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

April 12, 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 April 12, 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. Teresa Knoblauch, Director of Title III
Mr. Keith Madsen, Director of Technology
Mr. Dave Myers, Director of Transportation
Mrs. Michelle Wenglikowski, Director of Student Services
Mr. Michael Chen, Principal, Woodlan Elementary School
Mrs. Terri Lortie, President, EACS Custodial 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 the removal of Discussion/Action Item 16-0412-4.5 - Application and Receipt of Funds for Competitive High Ability Grant for SY2016/17. President Baker stated Action Items 16-0412-4.1 - Contract with Marzano Research for New Haven Middle School Training and 16-0412-4.2 – iPad Purchase to Support Curriculum would be voted on separately.

1.4 Recognitions

- Elizabeth Hogle, an 8th grader at Woodlan Jr./Sr. High School, petitioned EACS' administration to have an American Sign Language class offered as a foreign language credit. She did all she could to see that this happened, and she is being recognized for her efforts. Due to her efforts, American Sign Language will be offered beginning with the 2016-17SY.
- The 62nd Annual Journal Gazette Scripps Spelling Bowl (county qualifying round) was recently held at each of EACS' participating schools. The top two qualifiers from each participating school were recognized. They will represent EACS in the next round:

Heritage Elementary School

Lydia Geise (Grade 5) - Winner

Marcelo Ackerman (Grade 6) - Runner-Up

Woodlan Elementary School

Eliza Louden (Grade 5) - Winner

Reagan Snyder (Grade 5) - Runner-Up

New Haven Middle School

Olivia Stomm (Grade 6) - Winner

Destiny Ward (Grade 7) - Runner-Up

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

3.2 Financial Reports

3.3 Meetings and Conferences

3.4 Minutes – Regular Meeting – March 15, 2016

3.5 Minutes – Executive Session – March 22, 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, 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)

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

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

16-0412-4.1 Contract with Marzano Research for New Haven Middle School Training

Discussion: None.

Motion: That Action Item 16-0412-4.1 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nelson Second: Etzler

Vote:

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

16-0412-4.2 iPad Purchase to Support Curriculum

Mr. Madsen presented additional information to the Board as the iPad that was originally selected to be purchased has been discontinued by Apple, therefore another device – the iPad Air – has been selected for purchase.

Discussion: Mr. Hoffman is not in favor of the purchase of iPads, but would prefer a laptop device be purchased for student use. President Baker reminded the Board that over a year ago the consensus of the Board was to go with iPads for our students. Discussion continued. Mr. Nelson called for the question.

Motion: That Action Item 16-0412-4.2 be approved as presented.

Vote:

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

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

16-0412-4.3 Application and Receipt of Funds Reallocated for Title III: Language Instruction for Limited English Proficient (LEP) SY2015/2016

Mrs. Knoblauch presented information to the Board.

Discussion: Mr. Hoffman asked about the conditions of the grant, which Mrs. Knoblauch provided.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 16-0412-4.3 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nelson Second: Etzler

Vote:

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

16-0412-4.4 Application and Receipt of Funds Reallocated for Non-English Speaking Program (NESP) SY2015-16

Mrs. Knoblauch presented information to the Board.

Discussion: Mrs. Knoblauch answered Mr. Hoffman's questions.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 16-0412-4.4 be approved as presented.

Motion: Hines Second: Etzler

Vote:

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

16-0412-4.6 Grades 8-12 World Languages Digital Textbook Adoption

Ms. Watson presented information to the Board.

Discussion: Mrs. Watson answered Mr. Hoffman's questions.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 16-0412-4.6 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nelson Second: Hines

Vote:

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

16-0412-4.7 Participation in the State Development Network with the IDOE

Mrs. Fritzing presented information to the Board.

Discussion: Mrs. Fritzing and Dr. Folks answered Mr. Hoffman's questions.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 16-0412-4.7 be approved as presented.

Motion: Hoffman Second: Lightfoot

Vote:

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

5.0 INFORMATION ITEMS/PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 Allocations/Grant Awards for EACS – First Quarter 2016

5.2 Summer School Plan

5.3 Young Explorers Summer Refugee Program

5.4 The “Get Schooled Tour” at EACS

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.5 Bid Award for School Bus Purchase

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

5.6 Use of EACS School Buses for 2016 Fort Wayne Air Show

Mr. Myers, along with Senior Master Staff Sargent Kyle Hoopingarner and Captain Joseph Williams of the Air National Guard, presented information to the Board and answered the Board members' questions regarding the use of EACS' busses for the Air Show. Fifty busses will be provided for this event. Dr. Folks will provide information to the Board prior to the next board meeting regarding the cost of / reimbursement to EACS for providing busses for this event.

5.7 Customer Performed Warranty Agreement (CPWA)

Mr. Myers presented information to the Board.

5.8 Establishment of the Ron Phillips Memorial Scholarship

Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board.

5.9 Elementary Textbook and Course Fees for 2016-17SY

Mrs. Hissong presented information to the Board. Mr. Hoffman asked that an aggregate of student fees be provided to the Board. Dr. Folks will get this information to the Board prior to the next Board meeting.

5.10 New Administrative Guideline 5153 – Criminal Gangs and Criminal Gang Activity in Schools

Mr. Studebaker, Safety Manager for the district, presented information to the Board and answered Mr. Hoffman's questions.

6.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

7.0 SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

The 3rd Annual EACS Autism Resource Fair will be held at Park Hill Learning Center this Saturday, April 16, from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Attractions include over 40 providers/ community resources, therapy animals, sensory activities, Make It-Take It sessions, a food truck, and more.

The EAEA Recognition and Retirement Banquet is next Thursday, April 21st at Ceruti's.

The ISBA Spring Regional meeting is Thursday, April 28th at Goeglein's. At this meeting our Board will be recognized as an "Outstanding Board" by the Indiana School Boards Association. Several EACS Board members will receive their CAP pins - Arden Hoffman (Level I), Bob Nelson (Level I) and Chris Baker (Level II).

The Annual Job Fair for our ABC students will be held tomorrow – Wednesday, April 13th from 8:00-11:30 a.m. at the ABC Training Center.

We have 6 weeks of school left as of tomorrow.

Each year, certified Indiana School Safety Specialists are required to attend two days of advanced school safety training to renew their certification. Today I attended the training at IPFW, as well as again tomorrow. Kudos to Jeff Studebaker who is co-chair of the Allen County School Safety Commission, and instrumental in the planning of this training.

Dr. Folks attended a nice send-off for Woodlan Jr./Sr. High School teacher/wrestling coach Tony Girod on Tuesday. Tony will be deployed overseas for six months.

8.0 BOARD COMMENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Chris Baker	Attended two surprise presentations for EACS' two Lilly Award winners - from NHHS and HEHS; Reminder: the East Allen Educational Foundation dinner is Friday, May 20 th at the Mirro Center; Kudos to the NHHS Drama Club for their performance of "Annie." We are sorry to hear of this being NHHS's drama coach – Matt Derby's - last production.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Etzler moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Hines seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 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, May 3, 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 May 3, 2016.

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