



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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

**October 13, 2015 – 5:30 p.m.**

**Administration Building – Board Room  
1240 State Road 930 East  
New Haven, IN 46774**

A Special Board Meeting held in the Board Room at the Administration Building, 1240 State Road 930 East, New Haven, Indiana, of the Board of School Trustees of East Allen County Schools met at approximately 5:30 p.m. on October 13, 2015.

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 (arrived at 5:33 p.m.)

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. Connie Brown, Director of Special Services  
Mr. Doug Roemer, Director of Facilities  
Mrs. Terri Lortie, President, EACS Custodial Association

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

President Chris Baker called the meeting to order at approximately 5:30 p.m.

**2.0 ROLL CALL**

**3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**4.0 DISCUSSION ITEM**

**4.1 Formulate Building Project Plan**

In September Community meetings were held in all five attendance areas, where each community member present was asked to weigh in on the needs for their community's schools. A spreadsheet of needs (from the suggestions given by the Administration and heard from by the communities), was created with a broad brush stroked dollar amount given for each need cited, bringing the total cost for the projects to \$90M.

The purpose of tonight's meeting was to formulate the building project plan, but after much discussion Mr. Hines made a motion that before anything is decided, additional tax implication numbers be given to the Board, and more time be given to the Board to digest the spreadsheet that was given to them. Mr. Etzler seconded the motion, and the vote was 6-1 with Mrs. Lightfoot voting against. Another special board meeting has been set for Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

**5.0 ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. Nellems moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Hines seconded it, and it was unanimously approved. The meeting ended at 7:10 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, October 20, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. The next special board meeting of the Board of School Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, October 27, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. These meetings 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 October 20, 2015.

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Secretary