



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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

September 20, 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 September 20, 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
Mr. Kirby Stahly, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services
Ms. Deborah Watson, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education
Mrs. Rose Fritzing, Director of Development and Title I
Mrs. Tina Grady, Director of Human Resources
Mrs. Tamyra Kelly, Public Information Officer
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
Dr. Neal Brown III, Principal, Leo Jr./Sr. High School
Mr. Doug Hicks, Principal, East Allen University
Mrs. Anna Murphy, Principal, New Haven High School
Mrs. Terri Lortie, President, EACS Custodial Association
Ms. Janet McEvoy, President, EACS Transportation Association

PUBLIC HEARING

1.0 Proposed 2017 Budget, Bus Replacement Plan and Capital Projects Plan

2.0 Public Expressions

None.

3.0 Adjournment

There being no other business, the hearing was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

1.0 ROUTINE ITEMS

1.1 Call to Order

President Chris Baker called the meeting to order at 6:33 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 addition of an addendum to Consent Item 3.1 – Human Resource Report, and the addition of Discussion Items 5.9 - Construction Change Order #1 – New Haven Primary School Project – Bad Soil; 5.10 - Construction Change Order #2 – New Haven Primary School Project – Concrete Sidewalk and ADA Accessibility; 5.11 - Construction Change Order #3 – New Haven Primary School Project – Bulkhead in Kitchen; and 5.12 - Construction Change Order #4 – New Haven Primary School Project – Deletion of Batt Insulation.

1.4 Recognitions

EACS students who are members of the Fort Wayne Voices of Unity Youth Choir were recognized. This past summer the choir toured Europe and competed in the Musica Eterna Roma Festival and Competition in Rome, sang during Mass at The Vatican, performed in Venice, Italy and Vienna, Austria, ending with a competition in Budapest, Hungary. EACS students included:

- Gyneiya Davis – New Haven High School (Mrs. Anna Murphy, Principal)
- Kayla Davis – East Allen University (Mr. Doug Hicks, Principal)
- Donta Dozier – Prince Chapman Academy (Mr. Pat McCann, Principal)
- Shonta Dozier – Paul Harding Junior High School (Mrs. Danielle Newman, Principal)
- Ja'Shawn Turner-Parks – Leo Jr./Sr. High School (Dr. Neal Brown III, Principal)

1.5 Legislative Update

Mrs. Nellems reported that State Superintendent of Public Instruction Glenda Ritz has begun a statewide listening tour to gather input from families, educators, community members and other stakeholders on the state's education plan under the Every Student Succeeds Act. This new federal law, also called ESSA, requires state education agencies to develop a plan to be submitted to the United States Department of Education in 2017. Mrs. Ritz visited Wayne High School last Thursday night, September 15th as part of the tour.

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 – September 6, 2016**
- 3.5 Minutes – Work Session – September 13, 2016**

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

Motion: Nellems Second: Hines

Discussion: Mr. Hoffman's expressed that he will vote no on the Meetings and Conferences because he believes that we continue to have lots of (too many) teachers out of the classroom.

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

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

16-0920-4.1 Revised Administrative Guideline 4213.5 - Educational Interpreters/ Language Translators

16-0920-4.2 Grant of Easement for the 2015 Septic Relief Projects – Maples Service Area

16-0920-4.3 Contract Renewal with Bowen Center – Student Assistance Plan

16-0920-4.4 Memorandum of Understanding with Goodwill, Park Center and Pathfinder for Pre-Employment Training (PET)

16-0920-4.5 Participation in the 2017 Indiana Youth Survey

Motion: That Action Items 16-0920-4.1 through 16-0920-4.5 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nellems Second: Nelson

Discussion: Mr. Hoffman's asked questions concerning Action Item 16-0920-4.4

Vote:

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

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

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

16-0920-4.6 Application and Receipt of Funds for 21st Century Community Learning Center Partnerships

Mrs. Fritzing presented information to the Board.

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

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 16-0906-4.6 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nellems Second: Etzler

Vote:

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

16-0920-4.7 Resolution Regarding Business Personal Property Tax

Dr. Folks presented information to the Board.

Discussion: Dr. Folks and Mr. Stahly answered Mr. Hoffman's questions. After many questions, Mrs. Lightfoot called for the question.

Motion: That discussion cease and the vote be taken.

Motion: Nelson Second: Lightfoot

Vote on the Call for the Question:

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

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 16-0906-4.7 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nelson Second: Lightfoot

Vote:

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

5.0 INFORMATION ITEMS/PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 School Psychologist Effectiveness Rubric

5.2 Program Supervisor Effectiveness Rubric

5.3 Special Education IEP Review Procedures

5.4 Safe Haven Agreement

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.5 Microfilm/Digital Image Project

Mrs. Goeglein presented information to the Board and answered the Board members' questions. After much discussion, Board consensus was to table this for now. Administration was asked to return with alternatives and the related costs, such as storing the original records within EACS or off-site, versus microfilming/digitizing the records.

5.6 New Administrative Guideline 3330 – Gift Card Usage

Mrs. Goeglein presented information to the Board and answered the Board members' questions.

5.7 Revised Administrative Guideline 3546.3 - Review/Audit of Free and Reduced Lunch Applications

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

5.8 Listing Agreement with Bradley Company for the Former Hoagland Elementary School

Mr. Stahly presented information to the Board.

5.9 Construction Change Order #1 – New Haven Primary School Project – Bad Soil

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

5.10 Construction Change Order #2 – New Haven Primary School Project – Concrete Sidewalk and ADA Accessibility

Mr. Stahly and Mr. Roemer presented information to the Board.

5.11 Construction Change Order #3 – New Haven Primary School Project – Bulkhead in Kitchen

Mr. Stahly and Mr. Roemer presented information to the Board.

5.12 Construction Change Order #4 – New Haven Primary School Project – Deletion of Batt Insulation

Mr. Stahly and Mr. Roemer presented information to the Board.

Motion: Mr. Hines suggested that Addendum Items 5.9 through 5.12 be approved as presented at tonight's meeting.

Motion: Hines Second: Etzler

Vote:

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

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

6.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

7.0 SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

EACS has received good press coverage lately. The Journal Gazette featured a story on EACS parent Diane Gibson and the Harding attendance area, and SOEL kindergarten teacher Colin Aumiller was featured in the Journal Gazette’s Teacher Honor Roll.

The first EACS billboard is up - located at Wayne Trace and Pontiac streets.

The Four Star Celebrations at our three Leo attendance area schools were incredible. Thank you to the dignitaries who attended.

The next Board Work Session is scheduled for Tuesday, September 27.

Thank you to the EagleEyes Project training. Dr. Folks was able to see the use of this technology firsthand. The EagleEyes technology uses a set of five electrodes placed around the eyes to communicate eye movement through a computer, interpreting it as movement of a computer mouse. This technology allows people unable to move their head or arms to manipulate a computer mouse through eye movement.

The deadline for School Improvement Plans to be submitted to the state was extended to December 1st.

8.0 BOARD COMMENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Paulette Nellems	New Haven Primary and New Haven Intermediate Schools were each named a Family Friendly School by the IDOE. Only 44 schools from across Indiana (and no others in Allen County) were selected based on their commitment to addressing the needs of Hoosier students while fostering the active involvement of families and the community in their school.
Bob Nelson	Is also impressed with EagleEyes Project; Nice lunch visit at HEHS today – the new canopy is nice; got to meet SRO Officer Bryan Heine and his dog Ike; Reminder Board Retreat is Thursday, 11/10 – let Bob know if you plan to attend. Dr. Michael Adamson will present in AM, and Dr. Folks will present in the PM on the difference of mission and vision, day will end with discussion on Board goals.

Chris Baker

Congratulations to NHPS and NHIS on Family Friendly School award; A parent thanked the Board for offering sign language as a foreign language.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Etzler moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Nellems seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 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.

A Work Session of the Board of School Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, September 27, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.. The next regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.. Both 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 4, 2016.

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Secretary