



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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

**May 15, 2018 - 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 6:33 p.m. on May 15, 2018.

Board members present:

Robert L. Nelson, Jr., President  
Timothy E. Hines, Vice President  
Christopher T. Baker, Secretary  
Todd C. Buckmaster  
Gayle C. Etzler  
Terry Jo Lightfoot  
Paulette Nellems

Board members absent:

None

EACS Administrators and Association Presidents also in attendance:

Mrs. Marilyn Hissong, Superintendent  
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 Fritzingler, Director of Development and Title I  
Mrs. Tina Grady, Director of Human Resources  
Mrs. Tamyra Kelly, Public Information Officer  
Mr. Daniel Krleski, Director of Food Services  
Mr. Keith Madsen, Director of Technology  
Mrs. Michelle Wenglikowski, Director of Student Services  
Dr. Brad Bakle, Principal, Cedarville Elementary School  
Mr. Chad Houser, Principal, New Haven Middle School  
Mrs. Anna Murphy, Principal, New Haven High School  
Mrs. Danielle Newman, Principal, Paul Harding Junior High School  
Ms. Janet McEvoy, President, EACS Transportation Association  
Mr. Mark Nash, President, East Allen Educator's Association  
Mr. Rod Nelson, President, EACS Custodial Association

## **1.0 ROUTINE ITEMS**

### **1.1 Call to Order**

President Bob Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

## 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

The Cedarville Elementary School Robotics Team led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## 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

### - EACS Art Contest Winners

The annual EACS Art Contest was recently held. The four winners each received a Certificate of Recognition and a \$25.00 gift certificate provided by United Art and Education store. Their artwork was framed and will hang in the Board Room for five years, after which time it will be returned to them. The winners are:

**Grades Kindergarten-2nd Category:** Kayla Grube (CEEL – Kindergarten);  
(Art Teacher Jill Maroney) (Principal Dr. Brad Bakle)

**Grades 3-6: Category:** Zay Ma Aye (PCA - Grade 5);  
(Art Teacher Elizabeth Pawson) (Principal Mr. Pat McCann)

**Grades 7-9: Category:** Kristin Wakeland (NHMS - Grade 8);  
(Art Teacher Emily Maroney) (Principal Mr. Chad Houser)

**Grades 10-12 Category:** Marie Solis (NHHS - Grade 11);  
(Art Teacher Bernadette Weller) (Principal Mrs. Anna Murphy)

### - CEEL Robotics Team

The newly formed Cedarville Elementary School “The Firebots” Robotics team competed in area robotics events throughout the year, qualifying them for the State Championships. All of their hard work paid off, winning the “Judges Award” at state which qualified them for the Robotics World Championships held in April in Louisville, KY. At World’s they interacted with kids from over 40 other countries. They were the youngest team competing at the World competition.

Team members are Killian Babb, Luke Baker, Oscar Hall, Luke Marquardt, Brysen Maurice, and Isaac Smith. Team Coach is Larry Linson; Principal is Dr. Brad Bakle.

### - Rotary Student Traveling to Italy

Grace Reutebuch, a junior at New Haven High School, was selected by the District 6540 Rotary Club to study abroad in Italy during the 2018-19 school year. She will be completing school one year early and will receive an Academic Honors Diploma.

### - Drum Corp International Band State Winner

Paul Harding Junior High School 8<sup>th</sup> grader, Keyanna Lee, has been accepted into the Drum Corp International INpact Band. She is one of 700 students chosen from across the state to perform in Indianapolis in August.

### - News-Sentinel Sterling Sentinel Award Winner



#### 4.0 ACTION ITEMS

**18-0515-4.1 Application and Receipt of Funds for Title I (Basic) and Delinquent-Serving Institution Title I (Part D) for 2018/19SY**

**18-0515-4.2 Application and Receipt of Funds for Secured School Safety Grant**

**18-0515-4.3 A&E Selection for Administration Consolidation – Barton Coe Vilamaa**

**18-0515-4.4 Civil Engineering Selection – Leo Jr./Sr. High School Parking and Drive**

**18-0515-4.5 EACS Child Nutrition Services Upgrade of Software - Titan School Solutions**

**18-0515-4.6 Authorize the Advertisement of the Sale of the Former Hoagland Elementary School and Approve the Sale Agreement**

**Motion:** That Action Items 18-0515-4.1 through 18-0515-4.6 be approved as presented.

Motion: Etzler Second: Hines

**Discussion:** None.

**Vote:**

4.1-4.6 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nelson; Against: Nellems (Motion carried 6-1)

#### **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**18-0515-4.7 Certificate of Completion Courses and Fees for 2018-19SY**

Mrs. Connie Brown presented information to the Board.

**Motion:** That Discussion/Action Item 18-0515-4.7 be approved as presented.

Motion: Buckmaster Second: Etzler

**Discussion:** Mrs. Nellems asked that this not be voted on this evening until more information can be provided. Consensus of the Board is that it be voted on as presented.

**Vote:**

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

**18-0515-4.8 Contracted Services Agreement with Administrator Assistance**

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

**Motion:** That Discussion/Action Item 18-0515-4.8 be approved as presented.

Motion: Hines Second: Etzler

**Discussion:** The Board would like Administrator Assistance to present their findings at a future board meeting.

**Vote:**

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

## **5.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

#### **5.1 Student Code of Conduct Updates**

#### **5.2 Revised Administrative Guideline 5113 – School Attendance**

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

#### **5.3 Application and Receipt of Funds for Alternative Education Grant 2018-19SY**

Mrs. Michelle Wenglikowski provided information to the Board.

#### **5.4 Agreement with Fort Wayne Philharmonic for 2018-19SY**

Superintendent Hissong provided information to the Board.

## **6.0 SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS**

Superintendent Hissong distributed a summer parade schedule.

The Four Star Schools celebration was a marathon day, but a very good day. Former EACS Superintendent and current IDOE Chief Academic Officer Dr. Ken Folks joined us that day for the celebrations. It was a great day for our communities and our schools.

Last Saturday, three recent graduates of East Allen University graduated with their Bachelor degrees from Indiana Tech after just four semesters of college, and graduating debt free!

Both New Haven Primary School and New Haven Intermediate School have earned the IDOE's "Family Friendly School" designation once again.

Superintendent Hissong has attended each of our high schools' theatrical productions. Job well done to our students and staff.

Today Mrs. Hissong attended the dress rehearsal for Southwick Elementary School's opera performance. She has attended other elementary schools' music performances as well. We have many talented students!

## **7.0 BOARD COMMENTS**

### **Name**

Mrs. Paulette Nellems

### **Topic**

Attended the Doodle for Google presentation at PCA; Is sad to see her child's teacher has resigned.

Mr. Tim Hines

This is his favorite time of year – has enjoyed the Four Star School celebrations, Top 10 Breakfast; Valedictorian/Salutatorian reception and is looking forward to the graduations.

Mrs. Gayle Etzler

Agrees with Mr. Hines. We have lots to celebrate! Our students are highly motivated.

Mrs. Terry Jo Lightfoot

Grateful to EACS for providing academic and extracurricular opportunities for our students to become well-rounded; Is proud of our schools' and district's organizational abilities (i.e. running field trips to hosting regional sporting events).

Mr. Bob Nelson

Lots of school fundraisers taking place in the summer – encourages you to participate and support; Thank you to Mrs. Kelly for the Four Star School celebrations; Was great to see Dr. Folks; Best wishes to Mr. Jeff Kline who is retiring after 33 years; Like us on Facebook!

## **8.0 ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. Nellems moved that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting ended at 7:26 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, June 5, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. This meeting will be held at the 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 June 5, 2018.

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President

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Secretary