



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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**EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS
MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
November 21, 2017 - 6:30 p.m.**

**Heritage Jr./Sr. High School
13608 Monroeville Road
Monroeville, IN 46773**

At a meeting held in the auxiliary gym at Heritage Jr./Sr. High School, 13608 Monroeville Road, Monroeville, Indiana, the Board of School Trustees of East Allen County Schools met at approximately 11:30 a.m. on November 21, 2017.

Board members present:

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

Board members absent:

None.

EACS Administrators and Association Presidents also in attendance:

Mrs. Marilyn Hissong, Superintendent
Mrs. Teresa Knoblauch, 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 Fritzingler, Director of Development and Title I
Mrs. Tina Grady, Director of Human Resources
Ms. Jennifer Heffernan, Director of Title III
Mr. Keith Madsen, Director of Technology
Mrs. Michelle Wenglikowski, Director of Student Services
Mr. Roger Miller, Manager of Transportation
Ms. Diane Dikeolakos, Assistant Principal, Heritage Jr./Sr. High School

1.0 ROUTINE ITEMS

1.1 Call to Order

President Bob Nelson called the regular meeting to order at 11:30 a.m.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

Heritage High School junior Emily Oberley 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

The Heritage High School “Marching Patriots” band played several songs prior to the Board meeting today, as well as the National Anthem. They were recognized today for their accomplishments this past season.

They went undefeated in their class at all invitationals and received captions for Best Music, Best Visual, and Best Effect at all competitions. The Marching Patriots earned 1st place at the Scholastic preliminaries, and received captions for Best Music and Best Effect at Homestead High School, which earned them a spot in the Scholastic finals. At finals, the band earned 2nd place out of 16 bands and won Best Music. They missed the opportunity to advance to Open Class State Finals by just over a point. This has been a landmark season for the band and they hope to capitalize on it and grow in the years to come!

2.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

3.0 CONSENT ITEMS

Superintendent Hissong 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 - November 7, 2017**

Motion: That Consent Items 3.1 through 3.4, and the addendum, be approved as presented.

Motion: Buckmaster Second: Etzler

Discussion: None.

Vote:

3.1-3.4 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

17-1121-4.1 Application and Receipt of Funds for 21st Century Community Learning Centers Funding

17-1121-4.2 Contract with Ad Tech for eRate Paperwork Services

17-1121-4.3 Direct Superintendent to Issue Notification of Possible Nonrenewal to to Certain Administrators

Motion: That Action Items 17-1121-4.1 through 17-1121-4.3 be approved as presented.

Motion: Hines Second: Lightfoot

Discussion: None.

Vote:

4.1 – 4.3 - Aye: Baker, Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson (Motion carried 7-0)

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

17-1121-4.4 Resolution – Participate in Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS)

Mr. Kirby Stahly presented information to the Board.

Questions: Mr. Stahly answered the Board members' questions.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 17-1121-4.4 be approved as presented.

Motion: Baker Second: Buckmaster

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

17-1121-4.5 Correction to Group Health Insurance: Dental and Vision Rates/ Contributions in High Deductible Plans

Mr. Kirby Stahly presented information to the Board.

Questions: None.

Motion: That Discussion/Action Item 17-1121-4.5 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nellems Second: Hines

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

5.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

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5.1 Wellness Advisory Council Members

5.2 Annual Report - Group Health Insurance Fund

5.3 2017-18SY Indiana Secured School Safety Grant Agreement

5.4 Purchase of New Computers for Students (8 Buildings)

5.5 Upgrade District's Network Infrastructure Hardware and Firewall

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.6 Application and Receipt of Funds for Verizon/Project Lead the Way Computer Science Grant

Mrs. Rose Fritzingler provided information to the Board.

5.7 Award of Two Way Radio and System Infrastructure Bids

Mr. Jeff Studebaker, Manager of Safety, and Mr. Roger Miller, Manager of Transportation provided information to the Board and answered the Board members' questions. Mr. Baker shared that he appreciates Mr. Studebaker and Mr. Miller collaborating on this project.

5.8 Renewal of Property/Casualty/Liability and Workers' Compensation Insurance

Mr. Kirby Stahly provided information.

5.9 Resolution for Payment of Year-End Claims

Mr. Kirby Stahly provided information to the Board. Mr. Baker suggested that this be approved today and there was Board consensus.

Questions: None.

Motion: That Discussion Item 5.9 be approved as presented.

Motion: Baker Second: Buckmaster

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

5.10 Release and Indemnity Agreement for Woodlan K-12 Campus Escrow Account

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

6.0 SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Congratulations to Woodlan High School's football team winning Semi-State. They will play for the State championship this Saturday at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis. A pep session will be held today at 2:30; a Community send-off will take place this Friday evening after the WOHS girl's basketball game.

PHJH's Lego robotics team won first place on November 11th. They will now compete at Regionals on 12/9 at IPFW. Congratulations and good luck.

For the second year in a row, thanks to the great work of teachers district-wide, EACS has been named as a Common Sense Education Digital Citizenship Certified District. EACS is 1 of only 17 districts in Indiana, and 1 of only 95 in the whole country to have earned this honor! Thank you to Mr. Keith Madsen, Director of Technology.

7.0 BOARD COMMENTS

Name

Topic

Mrs. Terry Jo Lightfoot

Is very excited for WOHS's football team, and our many high school bands that have done so well in competition this year; Happy Thanksgiving to all!

Mrs. Gayle Etzler

Go Woodlan! She remembers when Woodlan went to State back in 1981 – it's really fun for and brings the community together.

Mr. Tim Hines

Congratulations to the WOHS football team; Is impressed by the number of EACS students from our other high schools who came and supported WOHS' football team!

Mr. Chris Baker

Happy Thanksgiving!

Mr. Todd Buckmaster

Encouraged the HEHS students in the crowd to go and support WOHS' football team; He attended a nice Thanksgiving dinner at WOEL – it's a special time each year.

Mrs. Paulette Nellems

Thanked the Board for the opportunity to represent the district at the Fort Wayne Urban League Gala last Saturday; Asked Supt. Hissong for information on stats on suspensions and the elementary alternative program.

Mr. Bob Nelson

Thanked Heritage Jr./Sr. High School for hosting the board meeting. He thanked the students for attending today's meeting and explained the process and background as to what it takes to get prepared for a board meeting, as well as some of the duties of being a board member.

8.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. Nellems moved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting ended at 12:19 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, December 5, 2017 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 December 5, 2017.

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