



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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

May 19, 2020 - 6:30 p.m.

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

At a meeting (A hybrid in person and Zoom meeting due to the COVID-19 pandemic), held 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 May 19, 2020.

Board members present:

Timothy E. Hines, President
Todd C. Buckmaster, Vice President
Terry Jo Lightfoot, Secretary
Gayle C. Etzler
Paulette Nellems (via Zoom)
Robert L. Nelson, Jr.
Steven M. Screeton

Board members absent:
None.

EACS Administrators 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. Tina Grady, Director of Human Resources
Mrs. Wendy Hoering, Director of Development and Title I
Mrs. Tamyra Kelly, Public Information Officer
Mr. Tim Wiegand, Executive Director of Alternative and Career and Technical Education
Mr. Dan Krleski, Director of Food Services
Mrs. Jennifer Mabee, Director of Title III
Mr. Keith Madsen, Director of Technology
Mr. Dave Myers, Director of Transportation
Mrs. Michelle Wenglikowski, Director of Student Services
Mr. Roger Miller, Manager of Transportation

1.0 ROUTINE ITEMS

1.1 Call to Order

President Tim Hines called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

The virtual Pledge of Allegiance was led by two elementary aged girls from the Heritage attendance area.

1.3 Approval of Agenda

The agenda for May 19, 2020 was approved as presented with an addendum to Consent Item 3.1 - Human Resources Report.

1.4 Recognition

None.

1.5 Appointment of Treasurer for the District

Motion: That Mrs. Miranda Wilkins be officially appointed as Treasurer for the District.

Motion: Etzler

Second: Buckmaster

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

2.0 PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS – 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 – May 5, 2020

Motion: That Consent Items 3.1 through 3.4 be approved as presented.

Motion: Buckmaster

Second: Nellems

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

4.0 **ACTION ITEMS**

Superintendent Hisson requested the Board's approval for the Action Items as presented as follows:

20-0519-4.1 Resolution Regarding the Donation of Supplies and Materials

20-0519-4.2 Resolution Authorizing the Use of Electronic Signatures

20-0519-4.3 Resolution Regarding Refunding of Series 2012A and 2012B Bonds

20-0519-4.4 Transportation System Update for GPS, Parent App. & Driving Instructions

Motion: That Action Items 20-0519-4.1 through 20-0519-4.4 be approved as presented.

Motion: Nelson

Second: Buckmaster

Discussion: None.

Vote:

4.1-4.4 - Aye: Buckmaster, Etzler, Hines, Lightfoot, Nellems, Nelson, Screeton (Motion carried 7-0)

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

20-0519-4.5 Application and Receipt of Funds for IDOE STEM Acceleration Grant

Mr. Keith Madsen presented information to the Board and answered Mrs. Lightfoot's questions.

Motion: Etzler

Second: Screeton

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

20-0519-4.6 Bid for Leo Jr./Sr. High School Locker Room Renovation Project

Mr. Kirby Stahly presented information to the Board.

Motion: Nelson

Second: Buckmaster

Discussion: None.

Vote:

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

5.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 Revised Administrative Guideline 6161.1 – Adoption of Textbooks and Digital Content

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.2 Application and Receipt of Funds for Section 611 of Part B, Special Education Funding

Mrs. Connie Brown provided information to the Board.

5.3 Application and Receipt of Funds for Section 619 of Part B, IDEA Funding

Mrs. Connie Brown provided information to the Board and answered the board members' question.

5.4 Renewal of Memorandum of Understanding with AceNet/AceLink

Mr. Keith Madsen provided information to the Board.

5.5 Elementary Textbook and Course Fees for 2020-21SY

Mrs. Teresa Knoblauch provided information to the Board.

5.6 Updates to Secondary Courses for 2020-21SY

Ms. Deborah Watson provided information to the Board and answered the board members' questions.

5.7 Edgenuity Contract

Ms. Deborah Watson provided information to the Board.

5.8 Awarding of Food2School Child Nutrition Co-op Bids for 2020-21SY

Mr. Daniel Krleski provided information to the Board.

5.9 School Lunch Prices for 2020-21SY

Mr. Daniel Krleski provided information to the Board and answered the board members' questions.

5.10 Resolution to Authorize Temporary Interfund Transfer (Loan)

Mr. Kirby Stahly provided information to the Board.

5.11 Resolution to Transfer Funds to Curricular Materials Rental Fund

Mr. Kirby Stahly provided information to the Board.

6.0 SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

This afternoon was the last food distribution. Superintendent Hissong publicly thanked everyone who helped with the packing and distribution, from our District Food Service Manager Dan Krleski and each of our school Food Service Managers and their staffs, to the countless volunteers. She praised the positivity and patience of our volunteers and the families during the food distribution process. The summer feeding program will run from June 8th through July 31st at Prince Chapman Academy and New Haven Primary School.

Today was the last day of eLearning, with the last day of student attendance officially being this Friday, May 22nd. The last teacher day will be Tuesday, May 26th.

Seniors caps and gowns are being distributed at each of our high schools; students' personal belongings are being picked up at all of our schools – both events being done in accordance with Allen County Department of Health guidelines.

Tentative graduation dates have been set to take place at the Memorial Coliseum. These plans are subject to change if the Governor, the Allen County Department of Health or the Indiana Department of Education deems it unsafe to have live commencements.

July 10th at 7:00 PM – Leo High School
July 11th at 2:00 PM – New Haven High School
July 12th at 2:00 PM – Woodlan High School
July 13th at 7:00 PM – Heritage High School
July 14th at 7:00 PM – East Allen University

A shout out to the Allen County Department of Health and Dr. Deborah McMahan. They have been wonderful to work with.

7.0 BOARD COMMENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Mrs. Terry Jo Lightfoot	She very much appreciates the efforts it took to make graduation happen as it's important for the kids. Thank you to Supt. Hissong, Asst. Supt. Watson and the high school principals.
Mrs. Gayle Etzler	This Saturday Mrs. Price's class will be placing a wishing stone beneath the new clock tower in Woodburn.
Mr. Bob Nelson	Echoes what Mrs. Lightfoot said about graduation; Enjoyed helping with the food distribution; Congratulations to all of our Teachers of the Year. The IDOE just announced that all Indiana teachers are the State's Teachers of the Year this year.

Mr. Steve Screeton

Shout out to all of our teachers for staying strong during eLearning.

Mr. Todd Buckmaster

Complimented Supt. Hissong and her team who has led us proactively and well during the COVID-19 pandemic – from the food packing and distribution to choosing to hold graduation for our senior class if possible.

Mr. Tim Hines

Also echoed what everyone said; Regarding the food distribution – every employee group was involved; These have been tough times with tough decisions having to be made. Thank you to all for your efforts that have gone above and beyond; Reminder if you are up for re-election to be cognizant of the dates for filing, etc.; In the next day or so let Tim know if you are planning to attend graduations; Reminder that the June 2nd board meeting will be a hybrid in person/Zoom meeting, with an Executive Session to follow; We are looking to set up a Work Session in the near future.

8.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. Nellems moved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting ended at 7:23 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, June 2, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. (hybrid in person/Zoom meeting). This meeting will be held at the EACS Administration Building, 1240 State Road 930 East, New Haven, Indiana.

These minutes were approved and adopted by the East Allen County Schools Board of School Trustees on June 2, 2020.

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President

Secretary