

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
EAST NOBLE SCHOOL CORPORATION
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2010

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of School Trustees met in regular session at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, August 25, 2010 at the Central Office.

Mrs. Babcock called the meeting to order with Dr. Holliday, Mr. Beall, Mr. Pyle, Mr. Lutter, Mrs. Schellenberg, and Mr. Wicker present. Mrs. Linson, Superintendent; Mr. Ream, Business Manager; and Mrs. Wright, meeting recorder, were also present.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. INTRODUCE CITIZENS

Mrs. Babcock asked the following citizens to introduce themselves: Mayor Suzanne Handshoe, Laura Sibert, Brad Compton, Rachel Noble, Alisa Smith, Charlie Barber, Jane Roush, Michelle Grimm, Venita Lawyer, Jim Taylor, Kim Galaviz, Jeff Watson, Debra Hockley, Jim Nixon, Alan Mettert, Michael Shultz, and Dennis Nartker.

4. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Mr. Jeff Watson, owner of Avilla Motor Works, Inc., addressed the Board with his concerns regarding the corporation's interest in operating an in-house bus maintenance facility.

5. MINUTES OF AUGUST 11, 2010

Following a motion by Mr. Pyle, and seconded by Dr. Holliday, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2010 meeting.

6. CLAIMS OF AUGUST 25, 2010

Following a motion by Mr. Pyle, and seconded by Mr. Beall, the Board voted unanimously to approve the claims of August 25, 2010 as follows:

- Handwritten checks #21105 - #21219, dated 7/9/10 – 8/19/10 in the amount of \$7,902,169.17
- Checks #21220 - #21373, dated 8/25/10 in the amount of \$ 309,207.87
- Self-Insurance Fund checks #1882 - #1888 dated 7/13/10 – 8/16/10 in the amount of \$579,223.40
- Wayne Center G.O. Bond Fund check #1092 - #1101 dated 7/14/10 – 8/16/10 in the amount of \$ 13,781.34
- July Payrolls: P-14, & P-15 in the amount of \$ 1,292,188.59

Grand Total: \$ 10,096,390.37

7. PERSONNEL

A. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations

Following a motion by Mr. Beall, and seconded by Mr. Lutter, the Board voted unanimously to accept the resignation of **Dana Sujkowski** as instructional assistant at Wayne Center Elementary School effective August 11, 2010, **Deb Arnold** as instructional assistant at Avilla Elementary School effective August 15, 2010, **Megan Henry** as instructional assistant at Avilla Elementary School effective August 17, 2010, **Carol Pankop** as food service employee at East Noble High School effective July 28, 2010, **Rachelle Gleason** as part-time food service employee effective August 27, 2010, **Matthew Gray** as assistant swim coach at East Noble High School effective August 4, 2010, and **Shawn Kimmel** as girls' assistant track coach at East Noble High School, and girls' elementary basketball coordinator effective August 12, 2010.

B. Reassignments

None

C. New Hires

Following a motion by Mr. Beall, and seconded by Mrs. Schellenberg, the Board voted unanimously to approve the hiring of **Danyelle Hile** as .5 instructional assistant at Rome City Elementary School effective at the beginning of the 2010/2011 school year, **Nicole Mazzola** as instructional assistant at Wayne Center Elementary School effective at the beginning of the 2010/2011 school year, **Kayla Black** for a temporary contract as 5th grade teacher at North Side Elementary to cover a maternity leave from August 17, 2010 through January 12, 2011, **Jennifer Riecke**, **Angela Mynhier**, and **Joana Goddard** as school bus drivers effective August 7, 2010, **Nathan Toles** as 7th grade boys' basketball coach at East Noble Middle School effective August 4, 2010, and **Benjamin Taylor** as assistant tennis coach and **Matt Holbrook** as assistant (split position) football coach at East Noble High School for the 2010/2011 season.

D. Leave Requests

Following a motion by Mr. Lutter, and seconded by Mrs. Schellenberg, the Board voted unanimously to approve a 12 week maternity leave for **Misti Myers**, instructional assistant at East Noble High School, beginning August 17, 2010.

8. INSTRUCTION

A. Presentation on Parkview Noble Health Program

Parkview Noble Foundation director Jane Roush and Parkview Noble Hospital Liaison Kimberly Galaviz presented information on *Activate Noble County*. Noble County is one of 138 communities nationwide to participate in the Activate America: Pioneering Healthier Communities initiative. Committee members will work together with schools, businesses, organizations, and community leaders to promote improving health and wellness activities in our community.

Mrs. Galaviz also shared information about the position she fills through the Community Health Improvement Program as Community Peers Educator working with all Noble County school nurses and the Noble County Health Department.

B. Presentation on Walk to School Initiative

Mayor Suzanne Handshoe, in conjunction with the *Activate Noble County* committee, presented information about *International Walk to School Day* scheduled for October 6, 2010 and asked the Board to allow elementary and middle school students to participate in this activity. This activity would involve the Kendallville Police, community and parent volunteers, East Noble schools and transportation department. This would be the first time for Kendallville to be involved in this annual International event.

C. Presentation on Project Based Learning

East Noble High School principal Mr. Brad Compton reported that many high school staff members recently attended a two and a half day workshop to learn about *Project Based Learning*. Project Based Learning is an attempt to create new instructional practices that reflect the environment that children live and learn in. PBL offers opportunities for students to collaborate, communicate, and plan as they might have to do someday in the workforce. Math teachers Laura Sibert and Rachel Noble; and English teachers Debra Hockley, Alisa Smith, and Alan Mettert shared project ideas and plans being introduced in their freshman classes this school year.

9. LATE ITEMS

None

10. COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Beall commented on how attractive our buildings look this year with minor landscaping and building improvements.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mrs. Babcock adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m. The Board met for a work session following the regular meeting followed immediately by an executive session to discuss personnel per I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1, (2), (5). The next regular Board meeting will be Wednesday, **September 1, 2010** at the **Central Office** beginning at 6:30 p.m.

President

Secretary