

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
EAST NOBLE SCHOOL CORPORATION
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of School Trustees met in regular session at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, December 14, 2011 at the Central Office.

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
MISSION STATEMENT

3. INTRODUCE CITIZENS

Mrs. Babcock asked the following citizens to introduce themselves: Becca Lamon, Lindy Munson, Steve Peterson, Jim Taylor, Amy DeWitt, Venita Lawyer, Michele Grimm, Charlie Barber, Dennis Nartker, and Mike Shultz.

4. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

None

5. MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 30, 2011

Following a motion by Mr. Pyle, and seconded by Mr. Beall, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the November 30, 2011 meeting.

6. CLAIMS OF DECEMBER 14, 2011

Following a motion by Mr. Beall, and seconded by Mr. Lutter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following claims for December 14, 2011.

- Handwritten checks #25263 - #25313, dated 11/23/11 – 12/8/11 in the amount of \$772,001.43
- Checks #25314 - #25447, dated 12/14/11 in the amount of \$163,746.63
- Self-Insurance Fund checks #1996 - #1998 dated 11/29/11 – 12/5/11 in the amount of \$94,749.87
- November Payrolls: P-23, P-23A & P-24 in the amount of \$1,483,317.84

Grand Total: \$ 2,513,815.77

7. PERSONNEL

A. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations

None

B. Reassignments

None

C. New Hires

Following a motion by Mr. Lutter, and seconded by Dr. Holliday, the Board voted unanimously to approve the hiring of **Suzette White** and **Eve Peters** as co-sponsors for the East Noble High School Forensics Speech Team for the 2011/2012 school year, and **Andy Uhl** as assistant wrestling coach at East Noble High School for the 2011/2012 season.

D. Leave Requests

None

8. INSTRUCTION

A. Goal 1: Presentation on RTI at East Noble High School

East Noble High School principal Mr. Steve Peterson introduced the strategies that are being implemented at the high school to help increase the student graduation rate. Freshmen through senior students on academic probation will be placed on three levels of intervention – monitoring, watch and probation. Ten high school teachers have volunteered to work with these students during academic lab time to help students achieve the number of credits needed to graduate with their class.

B. Goal 1: Presentation over the New Common Core Standards

A report made by curriculum director Mrs. Becca Lamon outlined the new Common Core Standards. Starting this year with Kindergarten and adding new grade levels over the next couple of years (1st, 11th, and 12th grades next year), we will begin the transition to the Common Core Standards. The shift to the new standards will not simply be a replacement of what is taught but will require a significant shift in how we teach and how students will demonstrate mastery. The new standards themselves do not contain a higher level of rigor; however, the assessments of the new standards will significantly increase the level of rigor that will be required in the classroom. The ISTEP+ test will be replaced with the PARCC Assessment in the '14-'15 school year. The PARCC test will require students to demonstrate mastery on performance based assessments in an on-line format vs. the current multiple choice tests.

Some of the major shifts will be:

- Ability to explain and apply mathematical knowledge
- Increase the use of informational text (non-fiction)
- Increase the text complexity levels of all students
- Use of literacy standards in all subjects
- Use of argument in writing

C. Goal 2: Action to Approve 2012/2013 School Calendar

Following a motion by Mr. Lutter, and seconded by Mr. Beall, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2012/2013 School Calendar as presented.

9. LATE ITEMS

Action to Approve Student Council Trip Request

Following a motion by Mr. Beall, and seconded by Mr. Pyle, the Board voted unanimously to approve a trip request made by Student Council advisor Mr. Richard Bentz to accompany Grace Bower to the National Association of Student Council (NASC) Board meeting in Washington, D.C on January 19-22, 2012. Miss Bower, a senior at East Noble High School, was elected to the NASC board this past spring and this will be her first official meeting in Washington.

10. COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD

None

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mrs. Babcock adjourned the meeting at 7:57 p.m. The Board met in work session following the regular meeting with an executive session immediately following to discuss personnel per I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1 (2), (5). The next regular Board meeting will be Wednesday, **January 11, 2012** at the **South Side Elementary School** beginning at 6:30 p.m.

President

Secretary