

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
EAST NOBLE SCHOOL CORPORATION
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2010

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of School Trustees met in regular session at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, December 15, 2010 at the Central Office.

Mr. Beall called the meeting to order with Dr. Holliday, Mr. Pyle, 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

Mr. Beall asked the following citizens to introduce themselves: Matt Coplin, Phil Coplin, Justin Coplin, Joanthan Smith, Patrick Worthey, Joanna Cook, Jim Warrenner, Jen Warrenner, Venita Lawyer, Michele Grimm, John Arnold, Dave Pine, Tammy Stephens, Gabe Stephens, Christine Bitner, Adam Rothenberger, Bill Knox, Charlie Barber, Brad Compton, Nancy Bodeker, Mark E. Gammon, Mathew Gammon, Seth Waring, Eric Waring, Roger Reichhart, Michael Johnson, Grant Manon, Angela Sibert, Stacy Beiswanger, Mark Liepe, Tom Foster, Matt Maley, Kal Slone, Jesse Maley, Cheryl Ramsey, and Matt Getts.

4. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Mr. Adam Rothenberger, an employee of Courier Kendallville, Inc., addressed the board with his concerns regarding 1:1 computing in our schools.

5. MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 17, 2010

Following a motion by Mr. Pyle, and seconded by Mr. Wicker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2010 meeting.

6. CLAIMS OF DECEMBER 15, 2010

Following a motion by Mrs. Schellenberg, and seconded by Dr. Holliday, the Board voted unanimously to approve the claims of December 15, 2010 as follows:

- Handwritten checks #22112 - #22185, dated 11/12/10 – 12/9/10 in the amount of \$1,339,554.98
- Checks #22186 - #22373, dated 12/15/10 in the amount of \$ 223,382.19
- Self-Insurance Fund checks #1908 - #1915 dated 11/15/10 – 12/6/10 in the amount of \$ 253,966.49
- November Payrolls: P-23 & P-24 in the amount of \$ 1,505,445.52

Grand Total: \$ 3,322,349.18

7. PERSONNEL

A. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations

None

B. Reassignments

Following a motion by Dr. Holliday, and seconded by Mr. Pyle, the Board voted unanimously to approve the reassignment of **Kenneth Lynch** from custodian at East Noble High School to maintenance employee for the corporation effective January 3, 2011.

C. New Hires

Following a motion by Mrs. Schellenberg, and seconded by Mr. Pyle, the Board voted unanimously to approve the hiring of **Caroline Hemrick** for a three hour food service assistant position at East Noble High School effective September 13, 2010; and **Chuck Leamon** as head wrestling coach at East Noble Middle School for the 2010/2011 season.

D. Leave Requests

Following a motion by Mr. Pyle, and seconded by Dr. Holliday, the Board voted unanimously to approve a four week family adoption leave for **Aleta Brown**, English teacher at East Noble High School, with the beginning date to be determined.

8. INSTRUCTION

A. Recognition of East Noble High School Students

Three East Noble High School students were recognized for their outstanding accomplishments at the 2010 Indiana Junior Academy of Science (IJAS) meeting and competition held at Indiana University, Bloomington on November 5, 2010. Senior Grant Manon was awarded 3rd place on the “Problem Solving Exam”; Junior Patrick Worthey received 10th place in the “Research Paper Competition”; and Senior Gabriel Stephens earned 5th place in the “Research Paper Competition” and 4th place in the “Outstanding Junior Scientist Competition”. Students presented information and answered questions about their projects.

Grant Manon was also presented a plaque in recognition for his outstanding achievement as a National Merit Semifinalist.

B. Report on Energy Conservation Program

Mr. John Arnold presented an update on the Energy Education Program that has been in effect since July 2010. He detailed savings costs on electricity, natural gas, water and sewers for the first four months on the program. Mr. Arnold will present a more detailed report on the program at a February Board Meeting.

C. Action to Approve East Noble High School Student Council Trip Request

Following motion by Dr. Holliday, and seconded by Mrs. Schellenberg, the Board voted unanimously to approve a trip request made by East Noble High School Student Council advisor Richard Bentz to accompany Grace Bower to the National Association of Student Councils (NASC) Board meeting in Washington, DC on January 20-23, 2011.

D. Report / Action on Classroom Technology Initiative

Following a motion by Mrs. Schellenberg, and seconded by Mr. Wicker, the Board voted unanimously to allow East Noble School Corporation to solicit bids for 1:1 computing with the direction of the initiative to be determined once bids are received and evaluated.

9. BUSINESS:

A. Action to Approve Bus Bids

Following a motion by Mr. Pyle, and seconded by Dr. Holliday, the Board voted unanimously to approve the school bus bids as presented.

B. Action to Approve 2011 Driver Education Fees

Following a motion by Mrs. Schellenberg, and seconded by Dr. Holliday, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2011 driver education fees as presented. The 2011 fees will be \$350 for students that are residents of the School Corporation and \$375 for non-resident students. This is an increase of \$25 due to the increased cost of fuel.

C. Action to Rescind Resolution to Transfer 5% of Maximum Capital Project Levy

In March the Board, acting on the authority of Indiana House Bill 1367, passed a resolution to transfer 5% of the maximum taxable Capital Project levy to the General Fund. According to rules later issued the resolution could not be acted upon before June 30, 2010. After careful deliberation and a more thorough knowledge of the implications of the transfer, the administration recommended the board rescind the previous motion and not proceed with the transfer. Following a motion by Mr. Pyle, and seconded by Dr. Holliday, the Board voted unanimously to rescind the previous motion.

10. LATE ITEMS

Mrs. Linson stated that Indiana State Mandate requires all students to be up to date on immunizations within 20 days of enrollment to school. Students who are not compliant with this regulation will be excluded from school. Our school nurses have worked very hard to make sure all families are compliant. Students who have not met this requirement by January 14, 2011 will be excluded from attending East Noble Schools. The only exemptions allowed by Indiana State Law are for medical or religious reasons.

Mrs. Linson also welcomed members of Boy Scout Troop #115 to the School Board meeting. Troop members are working to earn their citizenship badge towards becoming Eagle Scouts.

11. COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD

None

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Beall adjourned the meeting at 8:24 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, **January 12, 2011** at the **Wayne Center Elementary School** beginning at 6:30 p.m.