

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
EAST NOBLE SCHOOL CORPORATION
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2013

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of School Trustees met in regular session at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 23, 2013 at the East Noble High School.

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / MISSION STATEMENT

3. INTRODUCE CITIZENS

Mr. Beall asked the following citizens to introduce themselves: Michele Grimm, Venita Lawyer, Charlie Barber, Steve Peterson, Alisa Smith, Amy DeWitt, Lindy Munson, Mark Cockcroft, Matt Toler, Tim Michael, Jennifer Fisher, Dennis Nartker, and Mike Shultz.

4. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

None

5. MINUTES OF JANUARY 9, 2013

Following a motion by Mr. Babcock, and seconded by Dr. Holliday, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2013 meeting as presented.

6. CLAIMS OF JANUARY 23, 2013

Following a motion by Mr. Lutter, and seconded by Mr. Pyle, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following claims for January 23, 2013:

- Handwritten checks #28749 - #28819, dated 12/27/12 – 1/17/13 in the amount of \$3,493,624.98
- Checks #28820 - #28942, dated 1/23/13 in the amount of \$299,020.35
- Self-Insurance Fund checks #2075 - #2078, dated 12/27/13 – 1/14/13 in the amount of \$ 185,310.72

Grand Total: \$ 3,977,956.05

7. PERSONNEL

A. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations

Following a motion by Mr. Lutter, and seconded by Mrs. Schellenberg, the Board voted unanimously to accept the following retirements: **Dennis McBrier** as science teacher at East Noble Middle School, and **Anita English** as elementary music teacher at South Side and Wayne Center Elementary Schools.

B. Reassignments

None

C. New Hires

Following a motion by Mr. Lutter, and seconded by Dr. Holliday, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following new hires (***)pending completion of the required Expanded Criminal Background screening): **Christian Doak** and **Mark Pfeiffer** as full time maintenance staff effective January 28, 2013.

The Board also approved the following ECA positions for the 2012/2013 school year: **Jaren Lantz-Robbins** as assistant wrestling coach at **East Noble Middle School**.

D. Leave Requests

Following a motion by Mr. Lutter, and seconded by Mrs. Babcock, the Board voted unanimously to approve a 4-6 week unpaid medical leave for **Jane Silver**, instructional assistant at South Side Elementary School, effective January 22, 2013.

8. INSTRUCTION

A. Goal 1: Career Exploration Internship/Dekko Partnership

East Noble High School is partnering with Group Dekko to provide students the opportunity to explore employment possibilities in the advanced manufacturing field. In the next few weeks eligible students will be identified for the Explore Program, attend an introductory meeting, apply and interview to be part of the program. They will have an opportunity to job shadow in a variety of departments, and be partnered with a mentor from Group Dekko who will offer guidance as they explore job options. Participating students must maintain credits to graduate with their class.

B. Goal 1: Update on ENHS Academic Probation Program

Mr. Steve Peterson updated the Board of Trustees on the ENHS Academic Probation Program that was implemented one year ago to help increase the student graduation rate. Students are placed on academic probation for failing to meet the number of credits needed to graduate with their class. Students on academic probation are offered extra help during academic lab time with all teachers closely monitoring progress. While on academic probation students lose the privilege to participate in extracurricular and school sponsored activities such as dances, clubs and sports, or be approved for work permits or parking passes until all necessary graduation credits are earned. Mr. Peterson highlighted the improvements and successes students are making while on this program and told board members he expects a 90% or better graduation rate for the class of 2012.

C. Goal 2: Action to Approve 2013/2014 School Calendar

Following a motion by Mrs. Babcock, and seconded by Mr. Lutter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2013/2014 School Calendar as presented.

9. BUSINESS:

A. Action on Designation of Depository

Following a motion by Mr. Pyle, and seconded by Dr. Holliday, the Board voted 5-0-1, with Mrs. Babcock abstaining, to designate the Campbell & Fetter Bank as the depository of funds for the East Noble School Corporation.

10. LATE ITEMS

Mrs. Linson reminded everyone that consultants from National School Safety Specialist, Inc. will be here Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week to go through all of our buildings and meet with Administrators, and planning and crisis committees. They will also be holding a parent meeting on Monday evening, January 28, 2013, from 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. for community input on our facilities, our plans and what type of training our staff will have.

Mr. Peterson reported on the successful EN Professional Development Day held on Monday, January 21, 2013. In conjunction with the Kendallville Fire Department and Indiana State Police staff members were presented Emergency Preparedness information. This volunteer professional development day was very well attended.

11. COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD

Mrs. Babcock congratulated Mrs. Linson for recently being published in the American School Journal with an article regarding our 1:1 Technology.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Beall adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m. The Board met in an Executive Session to discuss school safety per I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1 (3) following the regular meeting. The next regular Board meeting will be Wednesday, **February 13, 2013** at **South Side Elementary School** beginning at **6:00 p.m.**

President

Secretary