

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
EAST NOBLE SCHOOL CORPORATION
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of School Trustees met in regular session at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 26, 2011 at the Avilla Elementary School.

Mrs. Babcock called the meeting to order with Dr. Holliday, Mrs. Schellenberg, 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

3. INTRODUCE CITIZENS

Mrs. Babcock asked the following citizens to introduce themselves: Jo Smith, Sharon Leffel, Matt Gordon, Jim Taylor, Jenny Wilson, Jackie Gerbers, Karen Gandy, Ty DeLong, Summer Miller, Gus Milley, Sam Hunley, Cory Mitto, Venita Lawyer, Michele Grimm, Jim Nixon, Bill Knox, Becky Richmond, Troy Richmond, Cassie Richmond, Lucas Richmond, Lindsay Martin, Adam Martin, Matt Rickey, Cam Lahee, Lori Bower, Dean Riecke, Jody Riecke, Ashley Riecke, Jordan Riecke, Becky Shull, Jason Shull, Robert Shull, David Pine, Travis Heavin, Dale Richmond, Elizabeth Richmond, Josh Buhro, Tom Foster, Monica LeFever, Dennis Nartker, and Mike Shultz.

4. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

None

5. MINUTES OF JANUARY 12, 2011

Following a motion by Dr. Holliday, and seconded by Mr. Wicker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2011 meeting.

6. CLAIMS OF JANUARY 26, 2011

Following a motion by Mr. Beall, and seconded by Mrs. Schellenberg, the Board voted unanimously to approve the claims of January 26, 2011 as follows:

- Handwritten checks #22491 - #22549, dated 12/29/10 – 1/20/11 in the amount of \$3,625,823.08
 - Checks #22550 - #22668, dated 1/26/11 in the amount of \$ 193,526.17
 - Self-Insurance Fund checks #1921 - #1927 dated 1/3/11 – 1/18/11 in the amount of \$156,873.16
 - Construction Fund check #1117 dated 1/14/11 in the amount of \$ 7,080.00
- Grand Total: \$ 3,983,302.41

7. PERSONNEL

A. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations

Following a motion by Mr. Beall, and seconded by Dr. Holliday, the Board voted unanimously to accept the resignation of **Stephanie Leslie** as graduation coordinator at East Noble High School for the 2010/2011 school year.

B. Reassignments

None

C. New Hires

Following a motion by Dr. Holliday, and seconded by Mrs. Schellenberg, the Board voted unanimously to approve the hiring of **Josh Streich** as girls' elementary basketball coordinator for the 2010/2011 season.

D. Leave Requests

Following a motion by Mr. Beall, and seconded by Dr. Holliday, the Board voted unanimously to approve a maternity leave request made by **Lindsey Cowley**, 2nd grade teacher at Avilla Elementary School, beginning March 16, 2011 through the end of the 2010/2011 school year; and a request made by **Christina Gustin**, 5th/6th grade teacher at Rome City Elementary School, to take unpaid family medical leave days as needed.

8. INSTRUCTION

A. Recognition of Presidential Physical Fitness Recipients

Mrs. Lori Bower, K-6 grade physical education teacher at Avilla Elementary School, introduced ten sixth grade students who qualified for the Presidential Physical Fitness Award. She explained the procedure and skills that participants must pass to qualify for this award. The following students were recognized and presented plaques for this accomplishment: Kyle Forker, Blake Gordon, Lucas Harper, Dalton Householder, Dylan Hunley, Charles Miller, Dustin Pease, Cassie Richmond, Jordan Riecke, and Robert Shull.

B. Update on Panther University

Panther University, a culture that encourages all student to work hard so that, if they choose, they will have the option of being “college bound” continues to grow at Avilla Elementary School. Principal Dave Pine reported on some of the exciting and positive activities students and staff have participated in through monthly Family Panther University Nights, and planned activities with selected universities.

C. Update on Technology – Professional Development

Lindsay Martin, Adam Martin, Matt Rickey, and Cam Lahee, representing the Professional Development Advisory Team for the 1:1 Computing Initiative, updated the Board on the progress the team is making to determine and provide the professional development needed to prepare teachers and staff for the coming year.

D. Action to Approve East Noble High School Speech Team Trip Request

Following motion by Mr. Beall, and seconded by Mrs. Schellenberg, the Board voted unanimously to approve a trip request made by East Noble High School Speech Team sponsor Mr. Alan Mettert to take five members of the Debate Team to compete in the 2011 State Competition in Kokomo, Indiana on February 4 and 5, 2011.

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

Following a motion by Mrs. Schellenberg, and seconded by Mr. Wicker, the Board voted unanimously to approve a trip request made by East Noble High School Student Council Advisor Mr. Richard Bentz to take a group of students to the Indiana Association of Student Council (IASC) Representative Assembly in Indianapolis, Indiana on March 16 and 17, 2011.

F. Action to Approve 2011/2012 School Calendar

Following a motion by Mrs. Schellenberg, and seconded by Mr. Beall, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2011/2012 school calendar as presented.

9. BUSINESS:

A. Discussion / Action on Leasing of Bus Garage

Following a motion by Dr. Holliday, and seconded by Mrs. Schellenberg, the Board voted unanimously to approve that the Board enter into a lease arrangement with Evans Real Estate Development to lease the property at 550 Ohio Street, Kendallville, Indiana to perform bus maintenance and training.

B. Discussion on Renovations to Rome City Elementary School

The Board continued the discussion and assured the community of their commitment to move forward to renovate and update the present Rome City Elementary School.

10. LATE ITEMS

None

11. COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD

None

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mrs. Babcock adjourned the meeting at 7:55 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). A Board Work Session is scheduled for February 9, 2011 beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Central Office. The next regular Board meeting will be Wednesday, **February 23, 2011** at the **Alternative Learning Center** beginning at 6:30 p.m.

President

Secretary