

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
EAST NOBLE SCHOOL CORPORATION
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4, 2014

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of School Trustees met in regular session at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 4, 2014 at the East Noble School Corporation Central Office.

Mr. Beall called the meeting to order with Mrs. Babcock, Mrs. Schellenberg, Dr. Holliday, Mr. Wicker, Mr. Lutter and Mr. Pyle present. Mrs. Linson, Superintendent, Dr. Lamon, Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Leitch, 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: Kari Vilamaa, Andy Deming, Alisa Smith, Dave Pine, Jim Swartzlander, Joe Costello, Ron Frick, Mike Campbell, Tom Murphy, Steve Peterson, Kara Hand, Trina Rayle, Kim Schwarz, Bill Cain, Nancy Bodeker, Abby Cole, Larry Doyle, Mike Shultz, and Dennis Nartker.

4. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Five community members addressed the School Board regarding the proposed middle school project. Mr. Ron Frick spoke regarding construction cost and ways to save money on the building project; Mr. Mike Campbell, experienced in steel construction of school buildings, suggested building a pre-fab building rather than brick and mortar; Mr. Tom Murphy questioned how the school corporation can complete this project and not increase taxes; Ms. Diane Peachey questioned voting on a project without having a location and more information, and expressed her concerns again about leaving the old building abandoned, and Mr. Jim Swartzlander thanked the Board for the way they have approached this project, and feels the Board is right on target.

5. MINUTES OF MAY 28, 2014

Following a motion by Mrs. Schellenberg, and seconded by Mrs. Babcock, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the May 28, 2014 meeting as presented.

6. PERSONNEL

A. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations

Following a motion by Mrs. Babcock, and seconded by Mr. Wicker, the Board voted unanimously to accept the following resignations: **Sharon Maley** and **Tracy Palmer** as instructional assistants at East Noble High School, and **Sean Page** as head boys' and girls' swim and dive coach at East Noble High School. The Board also approved the retirement of **Geraldine Witham** as instructional assistant at Rome City Elementary School effective at the end of the 2013/2014 school year.

B. Reassignments

Following a motion by Mrs. Schellenberg, and seconded by Mr. Pyle, the Board voted unanimously to approve a request made by the administration to transfer **Andrea Everage** from 2014 summer school teacher to summer school teacher's assistant.

C. New Hires

Following a motion by Mr. Wicker, and seconded by Mrs. Schellenberg, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following new hires: (*Pending completion of the required Expanded Criminal Background Screening*): **Arthur Kline** as Science teacher at East Noble High School, **Kaleb Cook**, **Karly Kandel**, and **Caleb Larson** as I.C.E. summer student technology assistants beginning July 7, 2014, **Trent Gick** as summer maintenance staff effective May 20, 2014, **Kyle Mundon** as summer maintenance staff effective June 11, 2014, and **Nathan Jones** as head boys' soccer coach at East Noble High School for the 2014/2015 season.

D. Leave Requests

None

7. BUSINESS:

A. Discussion over the 1028 Hearing

Mrs. Linson explained the purpose of the 1028 Hearing is to officially announce what the School Board believes would be the maximum cost of the project, what the maximum number of years it could take to repay for the building, and what the maximum per year debt payment could be for the building project. The project could not exceed the amount announced at the hearing. She explained that East Noble's debt services will go down with this project. The Board continues to look for suitable locations and hopes to have the area narrowed down by the 1028 Hearing. Mrs. Linson encouraged the community to attend the 1028 Hearing.

B. Discussion on the Referendum Process

Mrs. Linson explained that after meeting with financial and legal advisors, along with listening to the information from the community for the past eight months East Noble has decided to not force the middle school project to a referendum as indicated earlier. At this point the Board is hearing very little opposition to the proposed project. By listening to the public and not forcing a referendum, money is saved with lower interest rates, lower construction costs, people currently hitting the tax caps will continue to benefit from the tax caps, and construction could begin 6-8 months earlier. Anyone in the community may follow the referendum process and bring the project to a public vote in November.

8 LATE ITEMS

None

9. COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Pyle thanked all the community members present this evening and encouraged them to continue coming and sharing thoughts and ideas with the Board.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Beall adjourned the meeting at 7:03 p.m. The Board met for a 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, **June 11, 2014** at the **East Noble School Corporation Central Office** beginning at **6:00 p.m.**

President

Secretary