

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
EAST NOBLE SCHOOL CORPORATION
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 2012

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of School Trustees met in regular session at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 21, 2012 at the Central Office.

Mr. Pyle called the meeting to order with Mrs. Schellenberg, Mr. Lutter, Dr. Holliday, and Mr. Wicker 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

Mr. Pyle asked the following citizens to introduce themselves: Greg Johnson, Charlie Barber, Anissa Wicker, Becca Lamon, Michele Grimm, Venita Lawyer, Luke Amstutz, Shay Amstutz, Vince Beasley, Rief Gilg, Peter Kempf, Dave Kurtz, and Mike Shultz.

4. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

None

5. MINUTES OF MARCH 7, 2012

Following a motion by Mrs. Schellenberg, and seconded by Mr. Wicker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the March 7, 2012 meeting.

6. CLAIMS OF MARCH 21, 2012

Following a motion by Dr. Holliday, and seconded by Mrs. Schellenberg, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following claims for March 21, 2012.

- Handwritten checks #25996 - #26101, dated 2/17/12-3/15/12 in the amount of \$1,025,826.58
- Checks #26102 - #26261, dated 3/21/12 in the amount of \$215,814.31
- Self-Insurance Fund checks #2012 - #2016, dated 2/20/12-3/12/12 in the amount of \$219,608.92
- Construction Fund checks #1152 dated 3/14/12 in the amount of \$251,750.00
- February Payrolls: P-3 & P-4 in the amount of \$1,469,723.05

Grand Total: \$ 3,182,722.86

7. PERSONNEL

A. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations

Following a motion by Dr. Holliday, and seconded by Mr. Wicker, the Board voted unanimously to accept the resignation of **Jennifer Rich** as first grade teacher at Avilla Elementary School effective April 5, 2012.

Following a motion by Mr. Lutter, and seconded by Mrs. Schellenberg, the Board voted unanimously to accept the following retirements effective at the end of the 2011/2012 school year: **Jane Bentz** and **Richard Bentz**.

B. Reassignments

Following a motion by Dr. Holliday, and seconded by Mrs. Schellenberg, the Board voted unanimously to approve the reassignment of **Judi Armstrong** from guidance counselor at East Noble Middle School to guidance counselor at South Side Elementary and Rome City Elementary Schools effective at the beginning of the 2012/2013 school year; and **Bryan Emmert** from Assistant Principal at East Noble Middle School to Dean of Students at Avilla Elementary and North Side Elementary Schools for the 2012/2013 school year.

C. New Hires

Following a motion by Dr. Holliday, and seconded by Mrs. Schellenberg, the Board voted unanimously to approve the hiring of **Rief Gilg** as Activities/Athletic Director at East Noble High School effective July 1, 2012; and **Luke Amstutz** as Social Studies teacher and head football coach at East Noble High School effective July 1, 2012.

D. Leave Requests

Following a motion by Mrs. Schellenberg, and seconded by Mr. Wicker, the Board voted unanimously to approve an unpaid medical leave for **Jane Rhea**, School Social Worker, from February 28 through March 6, 2012.

8. INSTRUCTION

A. Goal 1: Presentation on the Sandifur Award

East Noble High School sophomore, Anissa Wicker presented The Gary Sandifur Tobacco Free School Award to the Board of Trustees. This award recognizes School Corporations in Indiana that have chosen to provide a healthy environment for their students and staff by instituting a tobacco free policy. A tobacco free policy prohibits the use of tobacco on school grounds by students, faculty, staff, parents and any visitors on school property, or while riding in school vehicles 24 hours a day.

B. Goal 1: Overview of the iRead 3 Test

Curriculum director Becca Lamon reported on the new iRead 3 test that students in grade three are required to take beginning in the Spring of 2012 to ensure that all students can read proficiently before moving on to grade four. This three part test administered from March 19-21, 2012 focuses on word recognition, fluency, vocabulary, comprehension and analysis of nonfiction and information text, and literary text. Schools must provide additional interventions for students who do not pass the iRead3 assessment. Students who do not pass the test may be retained as a last resort in accordance with PL 109. They would have one chance to retest in June.

C. Goal 2: Update from the March 8 Climate Consortium

Mrs. Linson reported that the March 8, 2012 Climate Consortium meeting was attended by approximately 50 community members and 43 East Noble staff. East Noble High School principal Mr. Steve Peterson's opening presentation covered data collected through a parent and student survey on the perceptions of the school environment. Following his presentation, community members were given an opportunity to express their concerns and suggestions for improvement in small groups lead by ENSC staff. Mrs. Linson shared some of the common concerns, suggestions for improvements, and other comments made during the meeting.

10. LATE ITEMS

None

11. COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD

Mrs. Schellenberg commented that the parent/community meetings are a great opportunity for the community to get more involved in our schools. She suggested that the corporation plan more of these throughout the school year.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Pyle adjourned the meeting at 7:08 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, **April 11, 2012** at the **Rome City Elementary School** beginning at 6:30 p.m.

President

Secretary