

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION  
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
EAST NOBLE SCHOOL CORPORATION  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 2013

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of School Trustees met in regular session at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 22, 2013 at the Central Office

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / MISSION STATEMENT

3. INTRODUCE CITIZENS

Mrs. Babcock asked the following citizens to introduce themselves: Alisa Smith, Rief Gilg, Matt Stinson, Pat St. Clair, Steve Peterson, Rick Sherck, Matt Johnston, Amy DeWitt, Lindy Munson, Matt Rickey, Henry Cripe, Chad Cripe, Charlie Barber, Nancy Bodeker, Joanna Cook, Scott Kabrich, and Dennis Nartker.

4. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

None

5. MINUTES OF MAY 8, 2013

Following a motion by Mr. Pyle, and seconded by Mr. Wicker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2013 meeting as presented.

6. CLAIMS OF MAY 22, 2013

Following a motion by Mr. Wicker, and seconded by Dr. Holliday, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following claims for May 22, 2013:

- Handwritten checks #29688 - #29775, dated 4/19/13 – 5/16/13 in the amount of \$1,114,011.64
- Checks #29776 - #29930, dated 5/22/13 in the amount of \$203,480.95
- Self-Insurance Fund checks #2095 - #2099, dated 4/22/13 – 5/13/13 in the amount of \$ 187,705.64
- April Payrolls: P-8 & P-9 in the amount of \$1,383,023.17

Grand Total: \$ 2,888,221.40

7. PERSONNEL

A. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations

Following a motion by Mr. Pyle, and seconded by Mr. Lutter, the Board voted unanimously to accept the following resignations: **Amy Heavin** as Rome City Elementary School principal effective at the end of the 2012/2013 school year, **Kelly Whitehead** as East Noble School Corporation School Social Worker effective July 31, 2013, **Kim Desper** as Family and Consumer Science teacher at East Noble High School effective at the end of the 2012/2013 school year, **Jennifer Caylor** as fourth grade teacher at Avilla Elementary School effective at the end of the 2013/2014 school year, **Bill Cain** as Social Studies department chair person, Human and Social Services Career Pathway Leader, and girls' assistant basketball coach effective May 9, 2013, and **Michelle Malott** as food service worker at North Side Elementary School effective May 17, 2013.

B. Reassignments

Following a motion by Mr. Wicker, and seconded by Dr. Holliday, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following reassignments effective at the beginning of the 2013/2014 school year: **Bert McLaughlin** from PE/Health teacher at East Noble Middle School to PE/Health teacher at East Noble High School, **Josh Treesh** from PE/Health teacher at East Noble High School to PE/Health teacher at East Noble Middle School, **Scott Kabrich** from 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade Science/Social Studies teacher at South Side Elementary School to science teacher at East Noble Middle School, **Cindy Mertz** from part time receptionist to full time receptionist/secretary at the Central Office effective June 5, 2013, and **Jean Smith** from food service worker at East Noble High School to North Side Elementary School.

C. New Hires

Following a motion by Mr. Pyle, and seconded by Mr. Lutter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following new hires effective at the beginning of the 2013/2014 school year (\*\*\*)pending completion of the required Expanded Criminal Background screening): **Heather Green** as principal at Rome City Elementary School, and **Chad Cripe** as Social Studies teacher at East Noble High School.

The Board also approved the following ECA position: **Chad Cripe** as head boys' basketball coach for the 2013/2014 school year, and **Dick Bentz** as assistant student council sponsor effective May 23 through August 12, 2013 at East Noble High School, and **Scott Kabrich** as girls' golf coach at East Noble Middle School.

D. Leave Requests

None

8. INSTRUCTION

A. Goal 2: Presentation on Noble County Economic Development Commission

Rick Sherck, Executive Director of the Noble County Economic Development Corporation presented an overview of the efforts the NCEDC provides to attract new business and provide services to businesses and industries in Noble County. He highlighted the many opportunities made available to the schools and businesses in the county through Externships, Internships and Educational Summits.

B. Goal 1: Discussion on Weighted Grades

East Noble High School principal, Mr. Steve Peterson, and members of his teaching staff presented data regarding the effects of weighted grades on students GPA. Discussion focused on eliminating weighted grades and adding dual credits to Advanced Placement Courses.

C. Goal 1: Action to Approve Dual Credits to AP Courses

Following a motion by Mr. Wicker, and seconded Mr. Lutter, the Board voted unanimously to eliminate weighted grades and approve dual credits to Advanced Placement Courses at East Noble High School effective with the class of 2016.

9. BUSINESS:

A. Action to Approve 2013/2014 School Lunch Prices

Following a motion by Mr. Lutter, and seconded by Dr. Holliday, the Board voted 4-1, with Mr. Pyle voting against the motion, to increase school lunch prices by 10 cents as mandated by the federal government. The 2013/2014 lunch prices will be \$2.05 for all elementary, middle and high school students.

Food Service director, Mrs. Patricia St. Clair also reported that Free Summer Meals are being served at our North Side Elementary School from June 10 through July 19, and at Rome City Elementary School from June 10 through July 3 for any child under age 18.

She also reported on a new USDA program called *Farm to School*. This program encourages partnering with local and regional farmers and/or companies that use local or regional produce and vegetables. East Noble partners with Orchard Hills Farms, Piazza Produce, and Blueberry Acres for most of our produce.

10. LATE ITEMS

Mr. Peterson presented a brief update on the East Noble High School Campus Beautification Project. This student lead project began moving forward by introducing the project and the fundraising initiative to community organizations and beginning part of the landscaping phase by planting trees at the south end of the athletic complex.

11. COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD

Mrs. Babcock announced that East Noble School Board of Trustees was recognized by the Indiana School Board Association as an outstanding School Board for the third consecutive year.

The Board of Trustees presented retiring Business Manager Craig Ream with a plaque in recognition of the thirty-five years he has served the corporation either as a school board member or business manager.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Following a motion by Mr. Pyle, and seconded by Dr. Holliday, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m. The Board met in a Work Session following the regular meeting with an Executive Session immediately following to discuss school safety per I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1 (3). The next Regular Board Meeting will be Wednesday, **June 19, 2013** at the **Central Office** beginning at **6:00 p.m.**

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President

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Secretary