

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
EAST NOBLE SCHOOL CORPORATION
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of School Trustees met in regular session at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, September 28, 2011 at the Central Office.

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. INTRODUCE CITIZENS

Mrs. Babcock asked the following citizens to introduce themselves: Venita Lawyer, Michele Grimm, Rebecca Perkins, Dave Pine, Dennis Nartker, and Mike Shultz.

4. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

None

5. MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 14, 2011

Following a motion by Mr. Pyle, and seconded by Mrs. Schellenberg, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2011 meeting.

6. CLAIMS OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2011

Following a motion by Mr. Wicker, and seconded by Mr. Beall, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following claims for September 28, 2011.

- Handwritten checks #24447 - #24529, dated 8/26/11 – 9/22/11 in the amount of \$934,397.57
- Checks #24530 - #24713, dated 9/28/11 in the amount of \$ 272,762.90
- Self-Insurance Fund checks #1980 - #1983 dated 8/26/11 – 9/19/11 in the amount of \$ 159,851.59
- August Payrolls: P-16, & P-17 in the amount of \$1,196,666.68

Grand Total: \$ 2,563,678.74

7. PERSONNEL

A. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations

Following a motion by Mr. Beall, and seconded by Mr. Pyle, the Board voted unanimously to accept the resignation of **Andrea Everage** as Student Council sponsor and National Elementary Honor Society sponsor for North Side Elementary School effective September 20, 2011.

B. Reassignments

None

C. New Hires

Following a motion by Mrs. Schellenberg, and seconded by Mr. Wicker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the hiring of **Cory Ade** as second shift custodian at East Noble Middle School and the Alternative Learning Center effective September 16, 2011, **Rhonda Burtch** as part time dishwasher at East Noble Middle School effective September 27, 2011, and **Kallie Longardner** as assistant gymnastics coach at East Noble High School effective for the 2011/2012 school year.

D. Leave Requests

Following a motion by Mrs. Schellenberg, and seconded by Mr. Wicker, the Board voted unanimously to approve a 12 week maternity leave request for **Sheri Onion**, Mild Disabilities teacher at Wayne Center Elementary School effective November 11, 2011.

8. INSTRUCTION

A. Update on Avilla Schools Panther University

Avilla Elementary School principal David Pine updated the Board on the many activities planned for Family Panther University nights as part of the *No Excuses University* initiative. These family events have been very positive and well attended with the most recent event being Grandparents Day with 438 grandparents attending this planned activity.

B. Report on RTI

Federal Programs Administrator Rebecca Perkins explained the Response to Instruction (formerly called Response to Intervention) program being implemented in all East Noble Schools. She explained the Three Tiers of the RTI model and the essential components of the program.

C. Action to Approve East Noble High School FFA Trip Request

Following a motion by Mr. Lutter, and seconded by Mr. Wicker, the Board voted unanimously to approve a trip request made by FFA advisor Mr. Mike Arnold to take a group of students to the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana from October 19-20, 2011.

9. LATE ITEMS

East Noble High School Guidance Director Lindy Munson recently held a College meeting to help better inform parents about financial aid and scholarship options. Over 100 people attended this meeting.

Mrs. Linson also announced that East Noble School Corporation is hosting speaker Josh Gunderson on October 21, 2011. He will be addressing students in grades 5-12 on internet safety. October 21st is also Digital Citizenship Day at East Noble.

Forty-two students, ten adults and one interpreter from China have now arrived in Kendallville and will be spending the next few days with staff and students at the middle school.

10. COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD

Mrs. Schellenberg commented on a recent observation made while visiting the office/clinic at the high school regarding the outstanding job the school nurse on duty did while handling a very busy afternoon in the clinic.

Mr. Beall commented on the importance of connecting with your community and praised Mr. Pine and the Avilla School staff for the outstanding job they are doing connecting through Family Panther University activities.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mrs. Babcock adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m. The Board met for an executive session for the purpose of board training per I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b) 11. The next regular Board meeting will be Wednesday, **October 12, 2011** at the **Central Office** beginning at 6:30 p.m.

President

Secretary