

# CSC OF EASTERN HANCOCK COUNTY

## SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

EASTERN HANCOCK HIGH SCHOOL (Cafeteria) - 10320 E. 250 N., Charlottesville, IN 46117 (317-936-5444)  
Monday, November 13, 2017  
7:00pm - 9:00pm

### 1 Public Notice

**This meeting is a meeting of the School Board held in public for the purpose of conducting the School Corporation's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. The Board will permit fair and orderly public expression as indicated by the Agenda Item *Public Comment*. Procedures to govern such participation are available upon request. The Board's meeting site is fully accessible to all persons. Any person requiring further accommodation should contact the Superintendent with the School Corporation's Administrative Office at 317-936-5444.**

### 2 Call To Order Minutes

Thomas Younts, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Present: Scott Petry, Michael Lewis, James R. Jackson, Jr., Scott Johnson, Thomas Younts

### 3 Pledge of Allegiance

### 4 Success Storires

#### 4.1 "A" Corporation Rating Minutes

Dr. McGuire announced that Eastern Hancock was given an "A" school rating for the 2016-17 school year by the Indiana Department of Education, giving much credit for this success to the EH teachers and staff. Special car decals have been purchased to send to all families within the corporation as well as a letter thanking the students and families for their excellent effort in earning this rating.

#### 4.2 New Website Minutes

Dr. McGuire recognized Trisha Armstrong, Director of Technology, for all of her hard work in creating our new corporation website.

#### 4.3 Caitlin Cox won photography contest @ Riley Days--\$500 granted to EH Photography from Community Foundation Minutes

Mr. Dave Pfaff, MS/HS Principal, recognized junior Caitlin Cox as the 1st place winner in the Riley Days photography contest. Her efforts earned a \$500 grant to EH to be used in the arts program. Caitlin shared a little about her interest in photography and the subject of her winning photo.

#### 4.4 Lilly Scholarship Finalists Minutes

Mr. Pfaff introduced the Lilly Scholarship Finalists representing Eastern Hancock: Emily Ebbert and AJ Muegge. The final winner of the Lilly Scholarship will be determined in about a month. Mr. Pfaff asked the finalists to share some of their community service projects. Emily told about helping with special needs children in a program called Destiny, as well as serving in the cadet program at the fire department. Her primary focus was co-creating a presentation that was shown to 6th Graders about mental health, the importance of it and how to access help when needed. AJ shared about the various youth camps he helps with, including basketball, football and baseball, and the yearly Feast of Plenty Thanksgiving Day meals served in Hancock County each year, a program

designed by his mom. Since his mom's passing, AJ has been involved in mental health awareness and research funding, raising funds and speaking at locations regarding this topic.

#### **4.5 Dana Allen's Class**

##### **Minutes**

Four representatives from Dana Allen's 5th grade class, Ethan Sipes, James King, Kaitlyn Lowes and Luke Schilling, made a presentation describing the creative problem solving project their class did that resulted in raising funds to paint lines on the basketball courts in the playground. Through their bake sale at the Eastern-Knightstown football game, they were able to raise \$937.91, well past their goal of \$200. They have planned the creation of a gaga ball pit with the remaining funds.

#### **4.6 MS Cheerleaders won State Competition**

##### **Minutes**

Mr. Pfaff described how the Indiana Association of School Principals conducts several different types of contests and competitions throughout the school year. One of those contests is for cheerleading teams. Jade Galyan, MS teacher and cheer director, entered our EH Middle School cheerleaders into this competition for the very first time. They finished that competition as State Champions and presented their award-winning cheer to the Board and many visitors.

### **5 Public Comment**

#### **Minutes**

No comments.

### **6 Consent Agenda**

#### **6.1 Minutes of 10-9-17**

#### **6.2 Transfer Students**

##### **Minutes**

New for November: 5

#### **6.3 Field Trip Request**

##### **Minutes**

Overnight & Out of State - FFA - January 4-9, 2018 - Denver, CO

#### **6.4 Claims**

##### **Minutes**

Prewritten: \$202,119.83

Regular: \$128,811.83

Payroll: \$605,549.64

TOTAL: \$936,481.30

Mr. Johnson moved and Mr. Jackson seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

### **7 Updated Calendars**

#### **Minutes**

The 2017-18 and 2018-19 calendars were presented with the teacher days changing from 186 to 185.

Mr. Jackson moved and Mr. Johnson seconded a motion to approve the 2017-18 and 2018-19 calendar changes as presented, with the 2018-19 calendar still being a tentative approval,

dependent on New Castle School Corporation's final calendar for that year. Motion carried 5-0.

## **8 NEOLA - Second Reading**

### **Minutes**

Mr. Jackson moved and Mr. Lewis seconded a motion to approve the NEOLA policy changes as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

## **9 Panic Button Presentation**

### **Minutes**

Lisa Truitt, MS/HS Assistant Principal and School Safety Specialist, presented a new app that will be uploaded to phones beginning January 3. The app will allow for licensed teachers, SRO's, secretaries and other designated staff members to immediately notify dispatch and every on & off duty police officer in the area when an emergency is occurring. The app will allow differentiation of what the emergency is as well as will pinpoint the exact location of it on the school campus. The hope is that this will increase the response time. There will be no cost to the school.

## **10 Request to Take Bids on Elementary Heating & Cooling**

### **Minutes**

Mr. Lewis moved and Mr. Jackson seconded a motion to approve the request to take bids on the Elementary heating and cooling. Motion carried 5-0.

## **11 Teacher Contracts for 2017-18**

### **Minutes**

Mr. Johnson moved and Mr. Jackson seconded a motion to approve the 2017-18 Teacher Contract as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

## **12 Proposed Pay Rates for 2017-18**

A. Support Staff

B. Administrators

### **Minutes**

Mr. Jackson moved and Mr. Lewis seconded a motion to approve the pay increase for administrators and support staff, retroactive to July 1, 2017. Motion carried 5-0.

## **13 Superintendent Contract Hearing**

A. Public Comment

### **Minutes**

Mr. Younts stated that the law says that any changes made to the Superintendent's contract must be advertised and a public hearing must be held prior to any changes being made. The contract for Dr. McGuire entails a pay increase from \$105,060 to \$106,228 plus a one-time stipend of \$691.18. The contract will be extended to June 30, 2021. This contract will be brought back in December for a board vote.

No public comment.

## **14 Other Items Allowed by the Board**

### **Minutes**

None.

## **15 Around the Table for Positive Comments**

### **Minutes**

Mr. Johnson remarked how nice it was to have the MS Cheerleaders at the meeting to share their victory cheer and how exciting it was to be a part of such a large, supportive caravan bringing them back from Indianapolis after they won.

Mr Jackson expressed his appreciation for the hard work that went into the new Teacher's Contract and that he has heard many positive comments regarding it.

Mr. Petry added his thankfulness for the great community involvement our school corporation staff and families offer to the many events that occur through EH.

Mr. Lewis shared how much he enjoys the Success Stories time that has been added to the Board meetings that allows opportunity to showcase our students.

Mr. Younts offered his thanks and appreciation to the contract team for all of their time and effort in drafting this year's Teacher Contract. He also congratulated those who helped with the audit this year for a successful one, as well as congratulated the entire school on our "A" grade status. Mr. Younts affirmed that Eastern Hancock is a good place to be.

## **16 Informational**

### **Minutes**

Mr. Pfaff informed the Board of some upcoming changes in government policy that will have an impact on graduation rates across the state. He indicated that EH plans to prepare for these changes well in advance so that we can stay up with the future expectations.

## **17 Adjournment**

### **Minutes**

Mr. Johnson moved and Mr. Jackson seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0.