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Department of Education

James Whitcomb Riley Conference Room

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9:00 a.m.

Board members Dr. Tony Bennett, Mike Pettibone, James D. Edwards, Tony Walker, David Shane, Neil Pickett, Sarah O'Brien, Daniel Elsener, and Vicki Snyder were present. Jo Blacketer was absent.

Jim Edwards moved to approve the minutes from the February 8, 2012, Board meeting; Tony Walker seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bennett provided an update on the situation in Henryville, recognizing the efforts of the local superintendent and high school and elementary school principals. He also recognized Peggy Hinckley, Superintendent of the MSD of Warren Township, for her efforts in coordinating a shipment of school furniture and supplies provided by school corporations throughout Marion County, as well as the support provided by DOE staff, the Superintendents' Association, and the Indiana School Board Association.

Tony Walker acknowledged DOE staff responsiveness, recommended that an explanation of the A-F metrics needs to be rolled out soon as there is a lot of misinformation circulating, and asked that the Title I situation involving Gary Community Schools be resolved as quickly as possible.

Dave Murray and Daniel Eliot of The National Center for College Costs presented information on the Indiana College Cost Estimator as the Spotlight on Learning.

No public comments were offered.

Mary Gardner provided an update on the Lead Partner activities that have focused on things such as literacy, professional development, professional learning communities, and administrator coaching. Board member discussion resulted in a request to look at trends such as student attendance, student tardies, teacher attendance, and student achievement/outcomes to determine the impact of the intervention. Representatives of Edison Learning, EdPower, and Charter Schools USA reported on their activities and challenges to date.

Jon Gubera presented a revised "School Report Card" for the Board's consideration. The Board requested that additional changes be made for review and consideration at the April meeting.

The Board, in its consent agenda and by unanimous vote, approved the Common School Fund loan request and the change to the Peru Community Schools governing board plan.

Becky Bowman presented a request to allow the Department to initiate rulemaking to amend 511 IAC 12 regarding reimbursement for summer school programs. The Board tabled a vote on this item and requested that Department staff provide additional information at the May Board meeting on both the need for the change and the logic of any changes to be proposed.

Daniel Elsener moved to adjourn the meeting; David Shane seconded the motion. By unanimous vote the meeting adjourned at approximately 12:30 p.m.