



INDIANA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Indiana State Board of Education
Board Meeting Minutes
March 8, 2017
Indiana Government Center South
Auditorium
302 West Washington Street
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Board Members Present: Superintendent Dr. Jennifer McCormick (Chair), Mrs. Cari Whicker (Vice Chair), Dr. Byron Ernest (Secretary), Dr. Vince Bertram, Dr. David Freitas, Mr. Gordon Hendry, Dr. Maryanne McMahon, Mr. B.J. Watts, and Dr. Steve Yager.

Board Members Absent: None.

I. Call to Order

- a. Superintendent Dr. Jennifer McCormick (Chair) called the meeting to order.
- b. The board members recited the pledge of allegiance.

II. Approval of Agenda

- a. The agenda was approved by voice vote.

III. Approval of Minutes

- a. The minutes from February 1, 2017 were approved by voice vote.

IV. Statement from the Chair

- a. Superintendent McCormick congratulated Traci Druschke from Oak Hill Elementary School in Evansville for winning the Milken Educator Award. Dr. McCormick also thanked Hoosier Academies for inviting her to their Focused Leader Academy teacher leader retreat along with fellow board member Dr. Byron Ernest.

V. Board Member Comments and Reports

- a. Board staff will follow up with a summer work session meeting schedule.

VI. General Public Comment

- a. A Hoosier Academy parent, Erin Dunlap, attended today's meeting to advocate for virtual schools. Specifically regarding Hoosier Academy.

VII. Best Practices

- a. None.

VIII. Consent Agenda

- a. The Consent Agenda was approved by voice vote.
- b. The items on the Consent agenda were:
 - i. Approval of Calumet Christian School Appeal
 - ii. Approval of Damar Appeal
 - iii. Approval of Lake Prairie Appeal
 - iv. Approval of Oak Hill Elementary School Appeal
 - v. Approval of Lowell Middle School Appeal
 - vi. Approval of Lowell Senior High School Appeal
 - vii. Approval of Career Academy High School Appeal
 - viii. Approval of Mt. Tabor Appeal
 - ix. Approval of McLean Appeal
 - x. Approval of Booker T. Washington Appeal
 - xi. Approval of Meister Elementary School Appeal
 - xii. Accreditation Status Placement

IX. Adjudications

- a. A.M. v Union Township School Corporation
- b. The proposed determination was approved by a vote of 9-0

X. New Business – Action

- a. Seven Oaks Classical School Waiver Request
 - i. Requests a waiver pursuant to IC 20-24-6-5.
 - ii. A motion to grant the waiver failed by a vote of 2-6 (Mr. Hendry had briefly left the room; Dr. Ernest and Dr. Bertram voted yes).
 - iii. [Discussion began at 7:15](#)
- b. Approval of Roosevelt Academy Turnaround Plan
 - i. Thom Jackson, CEO of Edison Learning, and Dr. Cheryl Pruitt, Superintendent of Gary Community School Corporation, spoke on behalf of the Roosevelt Academy Turnaround Plan's success throughout the past 4 years.
 - ii. The program has strengthened the community academically, economically, and has created a supportive learning environment for students.
 - iii. Director of Student Success, Dr. Sabrena Davis, and Principal of Theodore Roosevelt, and Donna Henry, presented on professional development success.
 - iv. Edison Learning and Theodore Roosevelt: Dr. Sabrena Davis and Donna Henry, presented data that included: school enrollment, student behavior, academic data, 10th grade performance, NWE reading data, professional development plan, and teacher vs. learning measures.
 - v. The SBOE approved the Roosevelt Academy Turnaround Plan with a vote of 9-0.
 1. [Discussion began at 59:00](#)
 2. [Presentation and Discussion of Data began at 1:20.](#)
- c. Approval Southwest Allen County School Corporation Appeal Recommendations:
 1. Covington Elementary
 2. Deer Ridge Elementary
 3. Haverhill Elementary
 4. Lafayette Meadows Elementary
 5. Woodside Middle School
 6. Aboite Elementary
 7. Whispering Meadows Elementary
 8. MSD Southwest Allen County School Corporation
 - a. The SBOE approved the Southwest Allen Country School Recommendations by a vote of 8-0 (Dr. Yager abstained).
 - b. [Discussion began at 1:35](#)
- d. Approval of ECA Testing Windows
 1. Testing Window dates will be as follows: June 22nd - June 28th and August 24th- August 30th
 2. The ECA Testing windows were approved with a vote of 9-0.
 3. [Discussion began at 1:36](#)

XI. Discussion and Reports

- a. College Board AP Update
 - i. Report Includes: 2016 AP Data Report. AP Highlights, AP Participation by District, and AP Performance by District
 - ii. [Discussion began at 1:39](#)
- b. Turnaround Operator Update (addressed with Action Item b)
 - i. [Presentation and Discussion of Data began at 1:20.](#)
 - ii. CSUSA
 1. Senior Vice President and Principal of CSUSA, Eric Lewis, presented the data dashboard in regards to the success of CSUSA.
 - a. Emma Donnan
 - b. Emmerich Manual
 - c. Thomas Howe
 2. [Presentation began at 2:03](#)

- c. Freeway Schools Update
 - i. There are 86 schools that completed year one of the contract, 17 schools completed year three of the contract, and 29 schools that completed year four of the contract.
 - ii. [Discussion began at 2:49](#)
- d. Staff Performance Evaluation Ratings
 - i. Caitlin Beatson, Senior Specialist of the Office of Educator Effectiveness at the IDOE, presented the results of the 2015-16 staff performance ratings.
 - ii. Statewide results are calculated among educator roles, school types, school accountability and years of experience.
 - iii. [Discussion began at 2:53](#)
- e. Assessment Update
 - i. ISTEP+ part one window: February 27- March 10th
 - ii. Preparations for IREAD-3: March 13th-17th
 - iii. Communication among CTC's ensures fidelity of test administration and test security requirements. Visited 17 sites during week one and provided feedback to CTC within two weeks of test administration.
 - iv. [Discussion began at 3:51](#)
- f. Accountability Update
- g. SBOE Technical Advisory Committee Update
 - i. Cynthia Roach, SBOE Senior Director of Accountability and Assessment addressed the SBOE.
 - ii. February conference call reviewed ISTAR tech report, ISTEP+, IREAD-3 quality control procedures, and post equating.
 - iii. March conference call will review the new science assessment and IREAD-3 changes.
 - iv. April meeting will address core assessments.
 - v. [Discussion began at 2:50:58](#)
- h. ESSA Update
 - i. Patrick McAlister, Director of Policy at IDOE, provided an update to inform the board they will begin holding one congressional meeting each week starting next week until April. Meetings will be from 6:30 to 8 P.M. to allow parents and other community members to attend and be involved during the meeting. Community members will be given the chance to R.S.V.P.
 - ii. Senior members of DOE and state board members are highly encouraged to attend to act as facilitators.
 - iii. [Discussion began at 3:35:00](#)

XII. Board Options

- a. None.

XIII. Adjournment

- a. Board adjourned the meeting by voice vote.