

-accepted with appreciation the following donations made to Elkhart Community Schools (ECS): \$10,000.00 from the Rex and Alice Martin Foundation, \$500.00 from Ronald and Constance Minzey, \$300.00 from Evergreen Recreational Vehicles, and \$100.00 from Richard Burns, Jr. DDS, to assist students with meals and ticket prices associated with field trips; \$4,519.00 from Robert and Amy Martin for the athletic department at Central High School (CHS) for the football program; and \$1,000.00 from Pinnacle Transport to CHS's Blazer Communications to purchase items for the digital media class.
-reappointed Douglas Hasler, executive director of support services, to serve as ECS' Treasurer for the 2015-2016 school year.
-approved the purchase of treasurer's bonds for the period of July 1, 2015-July 1, 2016. In response to Board inquiry, Mr. Hasler will provide additional financial information at a future meeting.
-approved the submission of a petition to the Indiana State Board of Education School Technology Advancement Account for the 2015-2016 school year. The funds will provide low interest loans to ECS for the standard cycle of replacement computer hardware. Based on current enrollment, ECS qualifies for a loan of \$261,660. Mr. Hasler responded to Board questions regarding the repayment timeline.
-authorized a three-year extension to the agreement with Activate Healthcare, subject to a limited right of termination.
-approved proposed revisions to Board Policy GDBA-10, Employees in Miscellaneous Positions Compensation Plan, as initially presented at the Board's June 23rd meeting.
- heard Dr. Dawn McGrath, deputy superintendent, speak regarding a recent State change to reporting procedures for formative assessments. More detailed information will be forthcoming from the State. A short discussion ensued regarding potential options. Dr. McGrath also reported on preschool reconfigurations and new joint collaborations with the Student Services department. Board member Glenn Duncan expressed interest in future expansion of child care services for employees. Dr. McGrath noted the district has begun reviewing the potential for expanded opportunities.
- heard Tony England, director of student services, expand on the collaborative efforts of the student services and instructional leadership departments. He gave an update on student work permits. All students aged 14-17 who work must have a completed Intent to Work Form from their employer on file. Different restrictions apply to different age groups and work types. Currently, over 1,200 permits are on record. Future plans include having an office at CHS to issue permits to relieve students from having to travel to the administration building for permits during the school year.
- approved housing a Head Start class at Osolo Elementary for the 2015-2016 school year.
- Approved a request for a program number request from the Indiana Department of Education for the Elkhart Alternative Education program.

-heard from Dr. McGrath, regarding potential conflicts of interest statements from the following administrators: Brian Buckley, Shawn Hannon, Toni McDougal, Dawn McGrath, Jacqueline Rost and Bernadette Taylor.
- approved overnight trip requests for the motorcycle outdoor/power technology team from the Elkhart Area Career Center to travel to Lima, OH from July 22 -23, 2015 and to Joliet, IL from July 31 to August 1, 2015 to participate in the Hot Rodders of Tomorrow Engine Challenges.
-approved a settlement agreement regarding compensation.
- confirmed the administrative appointments for the following effective for the 2015-2016 school year: Krista Hennings, district graduation facilitator; and Charlene Trotter, assistant principal at Cleveland.
-approved regular employment for following fifteen (15) certified staff members: Kathleen Bain, math at Memorial; Tara Ciesiolka, grade 5 at Monger; Marilyn Cregier, counselor at Central; Kayla Freeze, grade 4 (temporary contract) at Riverview; Javier Jimenez, academic dean at Hawthorne; Laurie Kaiser, ENL at Hawthorne; Cynthia Keeling, agriculture at Career Center; Karen Keranen, special education at Memorial; Bryan Hunter, social studies at Memorial; Pete Lestinsky, diesel tech at Career Center; Bess Lyons, art at Cleveland; Danielle Miller, psychologist at ESC; Regina Roberson, early college at Central; Summer Runyan, early college at Memorial; and Kristen Stooksbury, elementary music at TBD.
- confirmed the retirement of the following two (2) certified staff members: Karla Brenneman, grade 1 at Feeser with 28 years of service; and Karen Erlacher, alternative programs at Tipton with 35 years of service.
- confirmed the resignation of the following four (4) certified staff members: Stacie Back, grade 2 at Woodland; Vanessa Jackson, grade 6 at Daly; Stephanie Noble, ENL at North Side; and James Smith, Latin at Central.
- approved maternity leave for the following two (2) certified staff members: Emma Dugger, kindergarten at Pinewood; and Rose Miller, grade 1 at Woodland.
- approved regular employment for the following two (2) classified staff employees who have successfully completed their probationary period: Parnell Jones, Jr., custodian at Building Services and Jacqueline Pietzak, custodian at Hawthorne.
- confirmed the resignation of the following seven (7) classified staff employees: Tara Ciesiolka, paraprofessional at Osolo; Jennifer Hoff, food service at Memorial; Lynne Miller, paraprofessional at North Side; Walter Peoples, custodian at Beck; Mary Weber, registered nurse at Feeser; Brent Williams, custodian at Eastwood and Bristol; and Julie Williams, paraprofessional at Beardsley.
- confirmed the retirement of classified employee Becky Adams, paraprofessional at Eastwood with 19 years of service.

..... approved voluntary leave for the following two (2) classified employees: Mila Simeonova, bus driver at Transportation; and Susan Behling, secretary at Central.

..... heard remarks from Ms. Morris regarding the leadership summit she, Sue Daiber and Dorisanne Nielsen observed and what a successful event it was for the students. Doug Weaver commented on the prayer breakfast held that same day and how moving and insightful the presentation was that Lt. Gen. (Ret.) Boykin gave. Karen Carter attended the middle school program, Career Camp, put on at the Career Center. Also, teachers will have a booth at the Elkhart County 4-H Fair and will be promoting the Career Center.