

-accepted with appreciation the following donations made to Elkhart Community Schools (ECS): a 2001 Honda Insight truck valued at \$1,575.00 from Francis Shembab to be used in the automotive services technology and automotive refinishing/collision repair classes at the Elkhart Area Career Center (EACC); \$810.00 from VFW Post 88 Ladies Auxiliary for the Summer Feeding Program; and \$500.00 each from Forest River and KIB Electronics to Elkhart Memorial High School's athletic department for the volleyball program. These donations will go towards lodging, food, and transportation costs for varsity overnight tournaments, posters, senior banners, and other miscellaneous costs.
-congratulated and presented plaques of distinction to administrative retirees Terry Chomer, Director of Safety & Security; Toni McDougal, Supervisor Student Services Attendance Officer; Dan Rice, Sr. Director of Technology; and Bernadette Taylor, Assistant Principal at Memorial High School. In recognition of their contributions to Elkhart Community Schools, Dr. Haworth, Superintendent of schools, stated each had made a difference and stated nobody can do everything, but everyone can do something.
-heard from Doug Thorne, executive director of personnel and legal service, introduce the following classified employees who retired during the 2015-2016 school year and were in attendance, with number of years of employment with ECS listed in parenthesis: Karla Copenhaver (24), Joyce Halfmann (11), Teresa Homan (15), Harriet Lewis (15), and Anita Randolph (17). Each retiree received a certificate of service and congratulations from Board members.
-authorized the Business Office to purchase a food service truck. The truck will replace a vehicle currently in use and in need of multiple repairs. The diesel mechanics class will rebuild the engine. In response to Board inquiry, the repaired vehicle will not continue to be refrigerated but available for general use.
-adopted a Resolution for Internal Control presented by Kevin Scott, chief financial officer. The State Board of Accounts has advised schools statewide of a requirement to adopt a resolution acknowledging an Indiana code requirement that each school district follow the minimum internal control standards outlined in IC 5-11-1-27. In response to Board inquiry, Kevin Scott and Doug Thorne will report back as to whether a change in Board policy is required.
- approved proposed school fundraisers in accordance with Board policy. The funds raised through the listed activities are deposited into each school's extra-curricular fund. In response to Board inquiry, additional information will be provided in the fundraiser report.
- approved new course offerings in accordance with Board policy. New courses include: Theater Production, Introduction to Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources, Supervised Agriculture Experience Program; and Human and Social Services. In response to Board inquiry, an enrollment update will be presented 30 days after the start of classes.
- was presented with proposed revisions to Board Policy BHD – Board Member Compensation, Insurance and Expenses, for initial consideration. A recommendation was made to make the policy retroactive to January 1, 2016.

- approved the submission of a grant to Monogram Loves Kids Foundation for violin purchases from Elkhart Central orchestras.
- approved the submission of a grant to the Indiana Department of Education for Title I, Part A Grant from Elkhart Community Schools.
- confirmed administrative appointments effective July 21st of LaTosha Andrews-Bond, assistant principal at Memorial; Holly Conley, assistant principal at Riverview; Christie Heerschop, assistant principal at Osolo; Jennifer Hinman, assistant principal at Bristol; Micah Lambert, assistant principal at Feeser; Carolyn Lesperance, assistant principal at Daly; and Bradley Sheppard, director of secondary education/TBD.
- approved regular employment for the following nine (9) certified staff members for the 2016-2017 school year: Erin Cisneros, science at Memorial; Tricia Dailey, TBD/elementary; Kristin Dutton, special education at Elkhart Academy/EACC; Takita Earl, TBD/elementary; Carlos Pruitt, TBD/elementary; Marshall Sheely, social studies at Memorial; Nicole Stanifer, FACS at Central; Ryan Strozier, science at Memorial; and Rachel Titus, science at Central.
- confirmed the resignation of the following ten (10) certified staff members: Jordan Bender, business at Memorial; Cami Berkey, language arts at West Side; Jeramiah Bowman, band at Central; Kimberly Newburn, intervention at Beck; Jeremy Ruff, industrial tech at North Side; Stephanie Ruff, science at Central; Lucas Saleh, social studies at Elkhart Academy; Eliza Stoltzfus, grade 5 at Beardsley; Kristina Turpin, grade 6 at Beardsley; and David Vanderhorst, business at North Side.
- approved maternity leave for certified staff member Heather Bechtel, kindergarten at Woodland.
- approved parental leave for certified staff member Nicole Vesta Wade, special education at Memorial.
- confirmed retirement of classified employee, Judith Miller, secretary at Central, with 22 years of service.
- confirmed the resignation of the following four (4) classified employees: Shannon Baker, paraprofessional at Pinewood; Dana Clark, paraprofessional at Eastwood; Patricia Laws, food service at Pinewood; and Rhanesha Woods, paraprofessional at Feeser.
- approved regular employment for the following three (3) classified employees who have successfully completed their probationary period: Joshua Burkholder, custodian at Beck/Hawthorne; Lois Keith, paraprofessional at Hawthorne; and Karen Russell, food service at Cleveland.
- approved medical leave for classified employee, Jane Bryant, paraprofessional at Osolo.
- heard Dr. Haworth remind everyone of the community meeting on June 29th at North Side Middle School and a community meeting presented in Spanish at St. Vincent's School on July 6th.