



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

BOARD HAPPENINGS

February 2 and 16, 2010

FEBRUARY 2nd WORK SESSION

- The review of the following annual reports occurred: Technology, Maintenance/Facilities, Driver's Education Cost/Fees, and Graduation Rates.
- Discussion took place regarding the following: Proposed School Board Meeting Schedule for 2010-11SY, School Choice, Parent Choice of Teacher, Resolution for Goals for Expenditure Categories, Love Community Center Agreement, and Resolution Authorizing the Payment of IAPP Membership.

FEBRUARY 16th REGULAR MEETING

- This meeting was held at **Harlan Elementary School**. During "Superintendent's Communications", two topics were discussed:
 - "Implications for Accountability and Federal and State Funding for our Struggling Schools" - **Britt Magneson**, Executive Director of Student Support, and **Rose Fritzinger**, Director of Development, presented an overview and a historical perspective of state and federal funding for our struggling schools. EACS is currently answerable to four accountability systems: PL221, Title I, School Improvement, and Race to the Top. Each system has its own set of different accountability standards and implications for each of our struggling schools as well as the district as a whole.
 - "Parent Choice of Teacher"- **Superintendent Green** continued the Board discussion regarding a parent's choice in the selection of classroom teachers and the intent of the policy. Current policy is not consistent with sound educational practice with regard to balancing classrooms. The revised policy will be voted on at the March 16th meeting.



Superintendent's Visits

- Harlan Elementary School
- Highland Terrace Elementary
- Leo Elementary School
- New Haven Elementary
- New Haven Middle School
- Prince Chapman Academy
- Village Elementary School
- Woodburn Elementary

RECOGNITIONS



Pat Lortie, head custodian at **Woodlan Jr./Sr. High School**, has won the 2010 CLEAN Award in recognition for the contribution he makes to public health in his school, community and profession. As a result of winning, **Pat** will receive an all expense paid trip to the NEA National Education Support Professionals Conference to receive his award, a cash award, a one-year membership in the NEA and National Council of ESP, supplies and products for **Woodlan**, and recognition in local, state, and national publications. **Pat** also received the "Golden Bucket" award from the EACS Board of School Trustees. Congratulations **Pat!**

Recognition goes to the students in **Kathryn Walker's** 2nd grade class at **Cedarville Elementary School**. Monthly they cut and knot fleece blankets which are distributed to the ICU Unit at Parkview Hospital. Students are learning values and what it means to help others through this project. Awesome job kids!



PERSONNEL

~ Resignations ~

- **Krystal Gustin**, para, PHHS, eff. 1/15/10
- **Wendy Wilhelm**, food service, NHHS, eff. 2/19/10

~ Retirements ~

- **Frederick Cass**, teacher, NHMS, eff. 6/3/10
- **Lillian Smith**, para, PHHS, eff. 6/2/10

Termination of **Harrel Lanier**, Trans. Dept., eff. 12/18/09

~ Welcome New Hires ~

- **Amanda Ely**, Trans. Dept.
- **Bruce Lehman**, Trans. Dept.
- **Aungar Loung**, para, VIEL
- **Karen Myers**, Trans. Dept.
- **Gregory Schmidtke**, Trans. Dept.
- **Wendy Walker**, Health Services Coordinator
- **Latisha Williams**, para, PCA