



**PRAIRIE HEIGHTS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

**April 16, 2012
7:00 p.m.**

**Administration Office
0305S 1150E, LaGrange, IN**

MINUTES

The Prairie Heights Community Schools Board of Education met in regular session on April 16, 2012. The meeting was held in the Administration Office. Those in attendance were as follows: Alan Middleton, Mike Howe, Bob Ledgerwood, Janet Grabill, Mark Thrasher and Todd Perkins. Also in attendance were Vicki Walker, Karen Eagleson, Denise McNabb, Jeremy Swander, Donell Housel, Brenda Rummel, Jeff Reed, Heather Hornbrook, Ron Northup, Bob Shaffer, Alexandria Claudy, Samantha Nichols, Bryce Heller and Janet Stiller.

The meeting was called to order by President Mike Howe at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of Silence.

The Board recognized the following Prairie Heights German students for scoring above the 80th percentile on the AATG National test: Alexandria Claudy – level 3, Heather Hornbrook – level 2, and Josie Nichols – level 2.

A motion was made by Mark Thrasher to approve the following Consent Items:

- Approval of the March 19, 2012 minutes.
- Approval of March 20 and April 5, 2012 payroll.
- Approval of April claims.
- Mr. Middleton approved the retirement of Janet Stiller (PHHS Teacher), Linda Smith (PHES Aide) and Evie Zolman (PHES Custodian) at the end of the 2011-2012 school year.

The motion was seconded by Janet Grabill and approval was 5-0.

Motions were then made on the following Action Items:

- Bob Ledgerwood made a motion to approve the first reading of the Administrative Guidelines, Bylaws and Policies. Janet Grabill seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.
- Janet Grabill made a motion to set the last student day for May 29, 2012. Mark Thrasher seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.
- Mark Thrasher made a motion to approve the following 2012-2013 staffing recommendations: Corporation – Technology Coach for grades 5-12 (Pilot for one year) and a Special Education Consultant. Prairie Heights Elementary – ½ time Technology Coach, and ½ time Math Coach. Prairie Heights Middle School – 6th Grade Science Teacher, and a Math Remediation Teacher/Coach. Bob Ledgerwood seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.
- Bob Ledgerwood made a motion to amend the adopted 2012-2013 school calendar by moving Professional Development Days to September 24th, October 29th and January 28th. March 29th (Good Friday) there will be no school which moves the possible last student day to June 6th and the possible last teacher day to June 7th. Registration was moved to August 9th. Mark Thrasher seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Middleton gave a report on the following items:

- Report on the summer Well Project
- Requested busing for swim lessons at the Kendallville YMCA in June.

Adjournment was at 7:35 p.m.

Documents were signed

Executive Session – I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(5) to receive information about and interview prospective employees began at 7:40 p.m. and ended at 11:20 p.m.