



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

**April 18, 2016
6:30 p.m.**

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

MINUTES

The Prairie Heights Community Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, April 18, 2016. The meeting was held in the Administration Office. Those in attendance were as follows: Mr. Reed, Bob Ledgerwood, Jim Courtright, Mike Howe, and Kirk Perkins. Also in attendance were: Sheila McCrea, Jessica Hart, Steven Gayton, Linda Loflin, Jerry Hart II, Keagan McGraw, Ty Rowdon, Alecia Pfefferkorn, Ben Leu, Ron Noll, Brett Smith, Doug Levitz, Jed Levitz, Zane Rowdon, Zeke Rowdon, Alex Steele, Mike Travis, Andy Arndt, Jeremy Swander, Gaylon Wisel, Karen Eagleson, Kayla Williams, and Kathy Garner. The meeting was called to order by President Bob Ledgerwood at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of Silence.

Mr. Reed recognized students of the month from Prairie Heights Middle School and Prairie Heights High School.

Also recognized was the Prairie Heights Varsity Wrestling team for all of their accomplishments this year. Team was undefeated with 35 wins and 0 losses. Was also the 2015-2016 IHSWCA 1A Team State Champions, NECC regular season and tournament champions and qualified all 14 starters for the Goshen Regional in winning the Westview Sectional. Six wrestlers qualified for semi-state. Four wrestlers qualified for the IHSAA State Wrestling meet. Riley Rasler was recognized by KPC Media Group as the Area Prep of the Year. Brett Smith was also named Coach of the Year by KPC Media Group.

A motion was made by Kirk Perkins to approve the following Consent Items:

- Approval of the March 21, 2016 minutes.
- Approval of March 25 & April 8, 2016 payroll.
- Approval of April claims.
- Mr. Reed accepted a retirement notice from Dawn Kocher (PHCSC Food Service worker) effective May 20, 2016.

The motion was seconded by Jim Courtright and approval was 3-0-1. Due to a conflict of interest, Mr. Howe abstained from the vote.

Motions were then made on the following Action Items:

- Mike Howe moved to raise the extra-curricular/field trip pay for bus drivers to \$12.50 an hour beginning with the 16-17 school year. Jim Courtright seconded the motion and approval was 4-0.
- Jim Courtright moved to raise the CDL Physical reimbursement for bus drivers to \$100 beginning with the 2016-2017 school year. Kirk Perkins seconded the motion and approval was 4-0.
- Mike Howe moved to approve hiring two summer Ag workers. Jim Courtright seconded the motion and approval was 4-0.
- Kirk Perkins moved to approve the FFA 2016 Program of Activities as presented by Mr. Noll, Mr. Leu, Keagan McGraw. Mike Howe seconded the motion and approval was 4-0.
- Mr. Ledgerwood thanked all applicants that showed interest in the board position. Mr. Ledgerwood opened the floor for nominations from the current board members. Jim Courtright nominated Mrs. Patty Lorntz, no other nominations were received. Mike Howe seconded the nomination. Mr. Ledgerwood asked for a vote and the nomination was approved 4-0.

Adjournment was at 6:55 p.m.

Documents were signed.

Executive Session I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(9) to discuss the job performance evaluation of an individual employees began at 7:05 p.m. and adjourned at 8:00 p.m.