



MINUTES
Indiana State School Bus Committee
March 3, 2015

The Indiana State School Bus Committee met for a regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at the Department of Education office in Indianapolis, Indiana with the following members in attendance:

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Pete Baxter – Chairman
Dr. Joseph O’Neil – Governor’s Council on
Impaired & Dangerous Drivers
James Hanna – Pub. Sch. Superintendent (via
conference call)
Ron Chew – Ind. Assoc. of School Bus Drivers
Carl Brown – Indiana School for the Deaf &
Indiana School for the Blind
Joey Dallas – Ind. School Boards Assoc.

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:

Keri Washabaugh – BMV
Claudia Koerner – Ind. Dept. of Revenue
Dwayne Vandiver – Sch. Trans. Assoc. of Ind.

COMMITTEE SECRETARY PRESENT:

Reggie White –IDOE (substitute)

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Perkins – IASBO
Sgt. Chris Kath – ISP
Clifford Zehr – Ind. Assoc. of Sch. Bus
Dist.
Kent McDaniel – Ind. Trans. Assoc.

NON-VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mark Clawson – Ind. Twnshp. Assoc.

**INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATION PRESENT:**

Mike LaRocco – Office of school
Transportation

Mr. Baxter called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. Reggie White acted as Secretary for this meeting.

Three guests were present:

Thad Leininger
Denis Wiger
Jacob McBurnie

Kerlin Bus
Midwest Transit
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The December 2, 2014, meeting minutes were reviewed. Ron Chew moved to approve the minutes as read, Dr. O’Neil seconded the motion to approve; motion carried.

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ITEMS OF ACTION

Initial Rule HEA 1303 – school district name and railroad crossing warning on the back of the bus – 1303 SBA Approval 4 to 6 inches for letters for school name on buses.

- Consensus of the Committee was to repeal the statute for district identity on the back of the bus.
- Chairman Baxter recommended an extension to implementation, come up with a plan to make the name fit on the door, get a picture of a name screen on a glass door and try to repeal the statute.

Child Alert notification specification – The Committee discussed the “snooze feature” IC buses have available and is this within current specification for this safety feature. Sgt. Kath reported the feature appears to be within statute for use. Chairman Baxter requested to re-word the term “snooze” to alarm delay or delayed feature.

First aid kit specification – Mike LaRocco will interface with the State Health Department.

Reflective tape specification language – language in statute says “may” and should say “must”

Set up a future meeting at IMMI

CORRESPONDENCE

None to review for this meeting.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 2, 2015 at the Department of Education in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Without further business to discuss, Mr. Brown made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dr. O’Neil; motion passed.

Chairman

Secretary

Date