



INDIANA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

To: Indiana State Board of Education

From: William Ottensmeyer, Staff Attorney

Date: October 15, 2025

RE: Approval of Governing Body Change – East Gibson School Corporation

Recommendation: Approve the proposed governing body plan change

Pursuant to IC 20-23-8, the Board of School Trustees of East Gibson School Corporation (“EGSC”) adopted a resolution to initiate a change to EGSC’s governing body plan. After adopting the resolution, EGSC submitted the attached materials for the Indiana State Board of Education’s (“Board”) review and consideration, in accordance with the requirements set forth in IC 20-23-8-15.

Indiana Department of Education (“Department”) staff reviewed the attached material and determined that EGSC’s plan and the manner in which it was initiated satisfy the requirements set forth in IC 20-23-8. As such, EGSC’s new governing body plan is recommended for approval.

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
OF THE EAST GIBSON SCHOOL CORPORATION**

**A RESOLUTION INITIATING AN AMENDED AND RESTATED PLAN OF
ORGANIZATION CHANGING THE GOVERNING BODY TO RESIDENTIAL
DISTRICTS**

WHEREAS, East Gibson School Corporation (hereinafter "EGSC") was created pursuant to a countywide school reorganization plan from 1963 legislation that was adopted pursuant to the [School Reorganization Act of 1959](#); and

WHEREAS, the Board of School Trustees (hereinafter "Board") of EGSC is now (prior to the passage of this immediate Resolution) constituted as a five-member non-partisan elected Board as follows: (1) one members residing in and elected by the voters in Barton Township (District One); (2) one member residing in and elected by the voters of Columbia Township; (3) one member residing in and elected by the voters of Center Township; (4) one member residing in and elected by the voters of the City of Oakland City; and (5) one member living anywhere within the school district and elected by all voters in the school district; and

WHEREAS, subsequent shifts in population, as determined by census data, have caused the current Board to conclude that there should be initiated a proposed plan to change the method of electing the EGSC Board, so that residency requirements of members are retained, however, all voters in the East Gibson School Corporation will vote for all candidates; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of [Indiana Code 20-23-8](#) provide the Board with the authority and designated processes by which such a proposed plan to change the composition of the residential districts that comprise a governing body of a public school corporation might initiated, advertised and ultimately adopted;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this Board that pursuant to the provisions of [Indiana Code 20-23-8-10\(a\)\(2\)](#), it hereby adopts the following changes in the EGSC Organization Plan by which members of the EGSC Board are to be elected following the Effective Date hereof, as set forth below.

**AMENDED AND RESTATED PLAN FOR CHANGE TO RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT
COMPOSITION OF GOVERNING BODY**

1. Board of School Trustees (Board) of the East Gibson School Corporation (EGSC)

1.1. Number & Residential Districts

The governance of EGSC shall be vested in a non-partisan Board composed of five (5) members elected at a November general election in accordance with the provisions of [Indiana Code 20-23-4-29.1](#) and [Indiana Code 3-8-2.5](#).

Members shall be elected as follows:

1.1.1. Barton Township

One (1) member shall be elected by all eligible voters in the East Gibson School Corporation.

1.1.2. Center Township

One (1) member shall be elected by all eligible voters in the East Gibson School Corporation.

1.1.3. The City of Oakland City

One (1) member shall be elected by all eligible voters in the East Gibson School Corporation.

1.1.4. Columbia Township

One (1) member shall be elected by all eligible voters in the East Gibson School Corporation.

1.1.5. At Large

One (1) member shall be elected by all eligible voters in the East Gibson School Corporation.

2. Term of Office

2.1. Membership on the EGSC Board shall constitute the holding of a "lucrative office" as said term is used in [Article 2, §9](#) of the Constitution of the State of Indiana.

2.2. Members shall be elected to a term of office of four (4) years commencing as of January 1 of the year following the year of their election.

3. Organization and Appointment of Officers

3.1. The Board shall annually organize within fifteen (15) days after the commencement date of the members' terms of office, or within such time as might otherwise be required by applicable law.

3.2. The Board shall select from among its membership a president, vice president and secretary, each of whom shall be a different member of the Board.

3.3. The Board may make such other appointments as permitted by, and in accordance with, applicable law.

4. Compensation

Members shall be entitled to compensation for the performance of their duties on the Board, as limited by applicable law and as determined, from time to time, by resolution of the Board.

5. Eligibility for Membership on Board

Eligibility for Membership on the Board shall be governed by Indiana Code, including but not limited to [Indiana Code 3-8-1-34](#).

6. Vacancies on Board

6.1. Vacancies on the Board existing because of the death of a school board member shall be filled in the manner provided by [Indiana Code 20-26-4-4.5](#), as from time to time amended.

6.2. Vacancies on the Board existing for any reason other than the death of an elected, qualified and acting school board member shall be filled in the manner provided by [Indiana Code 20-26-4-4](#), as from time to time amended.

7. Transition Plan Pending Board Elections

7.1. Schedule of Current Board Terms and Listing of Current Residential Districts

The terms of office of the current members of the Board, their respective residential election districts, their last election dates, their next election dates and the dates of seating following their next election under the existing EGSC governing body selection plan are as follows:

District #	Existing District	Member	Current Term Began	Current Term Ends	Seating Date of Next Term	Next Election
1	Barton Township	Steven Sevier	01/01/2023	12/31/2026	01/01/2027	November 2026
2	Center Township	Lincoln Edwards	01/01/2025	12/31/2029	01/01/2030	November 2029
3	City of Oakland City	Joshua Brewer	01/01/2023	12/31/2026	01/01/2027	November 2026
4	Columbia Township, excluding Oakland City	Roger Sermersheim	01/01/2025	12/31/2029	01/01/2030	November 2029
5	At Large	Lynn Rowe	01/01/2023	12/31/2026	01/01/2027	November 2026

7.2. Transition of Residential District Representation

The representation of the existing residential districts shall be transitioned under this proposed plan change in the following manner:

- 7.2.1. In the November 2026, general election, the terms of members Steven Sevier (current District One); Joshua Brewer (current District Three); and Lynn Rowe (current District Five) would end at the year end and their replacements would run as candidates to be voted on by all eligible voters in the EGSC.

Each of the elected replacement candidates would commence his/her term of office as of January 1, 2027, and those terms would end as of December 31, 2030.

- 7.2.2. In the November, 2029, general election, the terms of members Lincoln Edwards (current District Two); and Roger Sermersheim (current District Four) would end at year end and their replacements would run as candidates to be voted on by all eligible voters in the EGSC.

Each of the elected replacement candidates would commence his/her term of office as of January 1, 2030, and those terms would end as of December 31, 2033.

7.3. Election Date for Board Members under Proposed Plan Change

Upon passage of this proposed plan change and its becoming effective upon the Effective Date, all members of the Board will be elected at general elections held in November of the appropriate years as set forth above.

8. Retention of Terms of Originally Adopted Plan of Organization

Except as specifically modified herein or contradicted by State of Indiana law, all other terms and conditions of the original EGSC Plan of Reorganization, as approved by the Indiana State Commission on School Reorganization shall remain fully effective after the Effective Date hereof.

9. Effective Date

All aspects of this proposed plan change shall become effective as of its certification by the Indiana Department of Education (assuming no protest petitions to this Board initiated plan or alternate plans are filed).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of this Board is directed to cause notice of this Board's adoption of the foregoing plan to be published, as required by the provision

of [Indiana Code 20-23-8-14](#), in a newspaper of general circulation published in Gibson County,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the superintendent, school corporation legal counsel and the officers of this Board shall take all other actions and execute all other documents as are reasonably convenient or otherwise necessary to affect the change in the plan for the selection of this governing body as hereinabove set forth.

Duly adopted this 14th day of April, 2025.

**BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES OF
THE EAST GIBSON SCHOOL
CORPORATION**

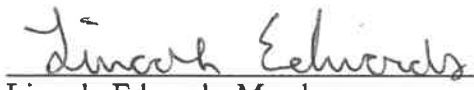
Voting "aye":


Steven Sevier, President

Joshua Brewer, Vice President


Lynn Rowe, Secretary


Roger Sermersheim, Member


Lincoln Edwards, Member

Voting "nay":

Steven Sevier, President

Joshua Brewer, Vice President

Lynn Rowe, Secretary

Roger Sermersheim, Member

Lincoln Edwards, Member

IN THE MATTER OF THE ORGANIZATION
OF

PROOF OF PUBLICATION
DATED: Feb. 18, 1970

GIBSON SCHOOL CORPORATION

OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR
GIBSON COUNTY, INDIANA

STATE OF INDIANA SS:
GIBSON COUNTY

Personally appeared before me, a notary public in and for said county and state, the undersigned Edward C. Cochrane, who, being duly sworn, says that he is publisher of the Princeton Daily Clarion a daily public newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the English language in the (City) (Town) of Princeton in state and county aforesaid, and that the printed matter attached hereto is a true copy, which was duly published in said paper for 1 time, the dates of publication being as follows: Notice of Special Election Community School Corporation - April 23, 1964.

EDWARD C. COCHRANE

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18 day of February, 1970.
(N.P. SEAL) MARSE LEE TAYLOR, Notary Public
My Commission expires Sept. 3, 1971.

STATE OF INDIANA) SS.
COUNTY OF GIBSON)

IN THE GIBSON CIRCUIT COURT
JANUARY TERM, 1964

IN RE: Special Election for Community School Corporation as authorized by Chapter 202, of the Acts of 1959, as amended by the Acts of 1961, Chapter 302, and as further amended Acts 1963, Chapter 390 and Acts 1963, Chapter 380.

NOTICE TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS OF EACH
SCHOOL CORPORATION OF GIBSON COUNTY, INDIANA,
AND TO THE GIBSON COUNTY ELECTION BOARD OF A
SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION.

I, A. Dale Eby, Judge of the Gibson Circuit Court being

IN THE MATTER OF THE ORGANIZATION ORDER

OF

EAST: GIBSON SCHOOL CORPORATION

DATED: May 6, 1963

RECORDED: Civil O.B. 116,
page 576

OFFICE OF CIRCUIT CLERK
GIBSON COUNTY, INDIANA

GIBSON CIRCUIT COURT, GIBSON COUNTY, INDIANA, 1ST JUDICIAL DAY,
MAY TERM, 1963.

GENERAL ORDERS

MAY TERM 1963

Come now Herman L. Snyder, Wayne Hurt, Earl Strickland, Mrs. Richard Carnahan, Dale D. Skelton, Edna Witherspoon, Raymond Kuester and Sanford Sanders heretofore selected as members of the County Committee for Reorganization of School Corporations of Gibson County, Indiana, and all said appointees having signed said acceptance, and the Court having set a meeting of said Committee for organization purposes in the small court room in the Court House, in Princeton, Indiana, on Monday, May 6th, at 2 p.m. Day-light Savings Time, and all of said appointees except Joe Naas having appeared, now said Committee selects Raymond Kuester Chairman, Dale D. Skelton Treasurer and Sanford Sanders, County Superintendent of Schools, as Secretary; and now said meeting is turned over to Raymond Kuester as Chairman;

It is further shown that said County Convention was held on April 9, 1963, and that said Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary were elected within thirty days (30) after the date of said County Convention:

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ABSTRACTER'S NOTE:

From a review of the minutes of the Gibson County School Re-organization Committee it appears that said Committee, after a study of the matter, and voting thereon, proposed that the County school system be divided into three units, as follows:

I. East Gibson School Corporation - to consist of Barton Township, Celter Township, Columbia Township, and Oakland City City Schools.

II. North Gibson School Corporation - to consist of Washington Township, White River Township, Patoka Township, and Princeton School City.

III. South Gibson School Corporation - to consist of Union Township, Johnson Township, Montgomery Township, and Wabash Township; and proceeded to adopt a plan for the control and administration of said School Corporations.

A county-wide meeting was held on January 9, 1964, at Baldwin Heights School Auditorium, after legal publication for at least ten days prior thereto, and at that time said proposed plan was explained to those attending said meeting, and a general discussion was had.

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RECORD OF MINUTES OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS, GIBSON COUNTY, INDIANA

GIBSON COUNTY SCHOOL RE-ORGANIZATION May 5, 1964

TOWNSHIP	PRECINCT	YES VOTES	NO VOTES	
Barton	1	49	181	
Barton	2	31	152	
Barton	3	33	149	
Center	1	55	233	
Center	2	57	287	EAST GIBSON
Columbia	1	198	84	Yes - 1217
Columbia	2	222	98	No - 1399
Columbia	3	313	112	
Columbia	4	259	103	

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ORGANIZATION

OF

EAST GIBSON SCHOOL CORPORATION

ORDER

DATED: Sept. 10, 1964

REC'D: Civil O.B. 117,
page 530

OFFICE OF CIRCUIT CLERK

GIBSON COUNTY, INDIANA

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GIBSON CIRCUIT COURT, GIBSON COUNTY, INDIANA, SEPTEMBER TERM, 1964
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GENERAL ORDERS

RE:
SPECIAL ELECTION for Community School
Corporations as authorized by the Acts
of 1959, Chapter 202, as amended by the
Acts of 1961, Chapter 302, and as further
amended Emergency 1963 Chapter 390.

September 10, 1964.

Comes now the Chairman of the Gibson County Committee for Reorganization of School Corporations and presents to the court his petition showing that the proposed East Gibson School Corporation failed to approve the plan submitted to them by the Gibson County Committee for Reorganization of School Corporations on May 5, 1964.

It is therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the court that a special election be held on November 3, 1964 on the same plan presented and voted on May 5, 1964, and the Clerk of the Gibson Circuit Court and the Election Commissioners are notified to prepare ballots accordingly.

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amended Acts 1963, Chapter 390, and Acts 1963, Chapter 380, do hereby give notice to all registered voters registered within the proposed East Gibson School Corporation thereof of an opportunity to approve or reject the proposal for the formation of the East Gibson School Corporation at the General Election to be held on November 3, 1964.

The East Gibson School Corporation as proposed by the Gibson County Committee for reorganization of School Corporations provides as follows:

1. Name - The name of the School Corporation shall be the East Gibson School Corporation.
2. Boundaries - The East Gibson School Corporation shall consist of the entire area of Barton Township, Center Township and Columbia Township and its exterior boundaries shall be coterminous with the boundaries of the three townships.
3. The Board of School Trustees - The Board of School Trustees of the East Gibson School Corporation shall consist of five (5) members.
4. The control and administration of East Gibson School Corporation shall be vested in a Board of Trustees, elected in the general election in November immediately preceding the expiration of the terms of the office in question to take office at the expiration of said terms.
5. Each member of the Board of School Trustees in the East Gibson School Corporation shall be elected on a non-partisan ballot in accordance with the provisions of the Act of 1959, Chapter 202, as amended by the Acts of 1961, Chapter 302, and as further amended Acts 1963, Chapter 390, and Acts 1963, Chapter 380, summarized as follows:

The East Gibson School Corporation shall be divided into five

(5) School Board Member districts as follows:



- (a) District No. 1 comprised of Barton Township.
- (b) District No. 2 comprised of Center Township.
- (c) District No. 3 comprised of Oakland City.
- (d) District No. 4 comprised of Columbia Township, excluding the town of Oakland City.
- (e) District No. 5 comprised of the East Gibson School Corporation.

Each Board Member is to be elected by the voters of his respective district.

6. The officers of the Board of School Trustees shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer to be chosen from among and by the duly elected and qualified members of the Board of School Trustees of the East Gibson School Corporation.

7. The members of the first school board, designated as an interim board, shall be appointed within five (5) days after the East School Corporation comes into being. In the event the appointing body fails to appoint the members of the first board of school trustees within five (5) days after the East Gibson School Corporation comes into being such members of the board of school trustees shall be appointed by the Judge of the Gibson Circuit Court. The interim board is to serve until its successors are duly elected and qualified which will be on July 1, after their election. The interim board of the East Gibson School Corporation shall be appointed in the following manner.

District 1 by the advisory board of Barton Township.

District 2 by the advisory board of Center Township.
District 3 by the Town Board of Oakland City
District 4 by the advisory board of Columbia Township.
District 5 by the Judge of the Gibson Circuit Court.

8. The compensation of each school board member of the East Gibson School Corporation shall be five hundred (\$500.00) dollars per annum.

9. A school board member of the East Gibson School Corporation shall be a freeholder and resident of the school board member district from which he is elected or appointed and shall have been a resident for the four year period immediately preceding the date of filing as a candidate for school board membership.

10. The proposed community school corporation shall pay to each Civil Township, Civil City, or Civil Town, located therein, which has issued school aid bonds, prior to the due date thereof, amounts sufficient to pay principal and interest on such school aid bonds.

11. Voting Places - Each registered voter of each school corporation of the East Gibson School Corporation of Gibson County, Indiana, shall be entitled to vote in the precinct of his registration within his school corporation as follows:

Barton Township

No. 1 - School Building - - - - - Somerville
No. 2 - School Building - - - - - Mackey
No. 3 - School Building - - - - - Buckskin



Center Township

No. 1 - School Building - - - - - Francisco
No. 2 - School Building - - - - - Francisco

Columbia Township

No.1 - City Hall - - - - - Oakland City
No.2 - New High School - - - - - Oakland City
No. 3 - Presbyterian Church Basement Oakland City
No. 4 - General Baptist Annex - - - - Oakland City

In the event it becomes necessary that the voting places be changed in any precinct or precincts by the Board of Commissioners, then the school ballot shall be voted upon at such place so designated by the Board of Commissioners.

12. The form of the ballot shall be as follows:

"Shall the East Gibson Community School Corporation consisting of Barton Township, Center Township, Columbia Township including the town of Oakland City, be formed as provided in the Reorganization Plan of the Gibson County Committee for the Reorganization of School Corporations:

☐ Yes ☐ No

Plan a cross (x) in the square desired."

13. Special Elections shall be governed by the General Election Laws of the State of Indiana including the registration laws of the State of Indiana insofar as they are applicable.

14. Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 202 of the Acts of 1959 as amended by Chapters 231, 302, 322 of the Acts of 1961 and Acts 1963 Chapter 380, the Gibson County Committee for Reorganization



of School Corporations informed the undersigned Judge Pro Tem of the Gibson Circuit Court that no petitions for the establishment of the proposed School Corporation have been presented to said Committee as of August 26, 1964.

Wherefore, it is Ordered and Directed that the notice of said school election shall be published in the Oakland City Journal, a newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in Gibson County, Indiana, which notice shall be given not less than ten (10) days nor more than fifteen (15) days prior to the election on November 3, 1964.

It is further ordered that the copy of this order of notice of the special school election shall be spread of record on the Civil Order Book of this court, and certified copy of the same shall be forwarded to the Oakland City Journal.

All of which is directed this 20th day of October, 1964.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Gibson Circuit Court.

WARREN W. BARNETT.
Judge Pro Tem Gibson Circuit Court
66 Judicial District of Indiana.

STATE OF INDIANA

COUNTY OF GIBSON, SS:

I, Don J. Thompson, Clerk of the Gibson Circuit Court within and for said County and State do hereby certify the attached and foregoing to be a true and correct copy of the notice of special school

election as the same appears on the records and on file in my office in Princeton, Gibson County, Indiana.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of this court this 20th day of October, 1964.

DON J. THOMPSON

Clerk of Gibson Circuit Court.



RECORD OF MINUTES OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS, GIBSON COUNTY, INDIANA

November 3, 1964

EAST GIBSON SCHOOL RE-ORGANIZATION

TOWNSHIP	PRECINCT	YES VOTES	NO VOTES
Barton	1	135	223
Barton	2	76	173
Barton	3	113	128
Center	1	113	272
Center	2	128	365
Columbia	1	351	160
Columbia	2	366	116
Columbia	3	444	131
Columbia	4	374	158
Total		2100	1,776

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ORGANIZATION

OF

EAST GIBSON SCHOOL CORPORATION

ORDER

DATED: Nov. 5, 1964

REC'D: Civil O.B. 117
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OFFICE OF CIRCUIT CLERK

GIBSON COUNTY, INDIANA

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GIBSON CIRCUIT COURT, GIBSON COUNTY, INDIANA, SEPTEMBER TERM 1965

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GENERAL ORDER

Mark P. Lockwood, Judge Pro Tem of the Gibson Circuit Court
now appoints William E. Dye of Columbia Township as a member at large
of the Interim School Board of the East Gibson School Corporation.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION – MINUTES APRIL 14, 2025

The Board of Education of East Gibson School Corporation, Gibson County, Indiana, met on the above date at 5 P.M. in the Lecture Room at Wood Memorial High School.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Steve Sevier, Mrs. Lynn Rowe, Mr. Roger Sermersheim, Mr. Lincoln Edwards. Mr. Josh Brewer was absent
ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Michael Galvin, Mrs. Ginger Schenks, Mrs. Christina Saulmon, Mr. Jason Spindler

There were several patrons in attendance.

The Board convened the Executive Session at 4:00 P.M. to meet with respect to any individual over whom the board has jurisdiction to receive information concerning the individual's alleged misconduct. The Board adjourned Executive Session at 5:00 P.M.

The Board of Education convened for the regular meeting at 5:00 P.M. with Mr. Sevier calling the meeting to order with the initiation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

AUDIENCE REQUESTS, COMMUNICATIONS, AND HEARINGS

Vicki Whitehouse spoke to respond to her recommendation of termination. "I've been employed with East Gibson School Corporation for 13 years, two months, five years and nine months as an aide, and seven years and five months as a driver. In that time, I can count on my hands the number of times that I have been absent from this job. I'm responding to a recommendation for my termination based on videos that I've not seen, nor have all the board members as of last Thursday seen. How can you make a decision for termination if you haven't seen the videos? I'm not denying what was on the videos, but sometimes things are not as they appear to be." She said there may have been times of bad judgement on her part but she doesn't feel it justifies termination. She said the use of noise-cancelling headphones was not explained to her and she didn't have an aide every day. She asked why he didn't follow up with parents. She said she was never given a route schedule so she had to create one and it wasn't always the same route. She said they used route changes as discipline a time or two which accomplished the goal of better behavior.

Josh Conder spoke next. He asked what's going to be done about cameras on buses. He said "without them, there's no way to know how long issues have been going on. "Can we not get more updated cameras on at least these buses? I mean, my kid cannot speak, so I have to guess and figure out. Mr. Sevier, you know how it is with nonverbal kids. We spend a lot of time trying to figure out things to make my kid safe. We entrust you guys with our child, and that's about as far as it goes, because outside these doors, he's at my house with me, protected or with my wife. So you know, can we not get the proper viewer cameras that can be monitored and pulled up that quick, instead of this guessing game? Can we make it easier on the special needs kids? I'm looking for answers." Mr. Sevier responded "I can assure you we're working on that. We're going to do everything possible to get cameras in all buses. That's what we're pushing for. Thank you."

Melissa Phillips spoke next. Her great-grandson is in Life Skills. She said she keeps getting the run around. She was told she could see the video any time but when she came in to see it, she was told it wasn't ready. She was told it would be ready Monday but did not hear from anyone today. She asked if the other special ed buses have aides. Mr. Rhoden said Mr. Tucker does have an aide. Mr. Sevier responded that we are working on getting the tape done but it takes time. We can't just let anybody see it." Mr. Spindler added we are getting close. We have to redact the other children from the video. Our IT guy is working on that. Dr. Galvin added that we got close today. We will be in touch this week, hopefully by mid-week.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The following minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Sermersheim and seconded by Mrs. Rowe, 4-0:

Executive Session:	March 10, 2025
Regular Session:	March 10, 2025
Public Work Session:	April 9, 2025

2025-46

TREASURER'S REPORT AND CLAIMS

The following treasurer's report and approval of claims were approved on a motion by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mrs. Rowe, 4-0.

2025-47

As of 03/31/2025

0101	Education Fund	\$ 712,160.90
0200	Debt Service Fund	\$ 53,385.02
0300	Operations Fund	\$ 1,152,067.88
0610	Local Rainy Day Fund	\$ 777,905.98
0703	WM Connecting Buildings/HVAC Project	\$ 94,330.47
0800	School Lunch	\$ 101,811.55
1701	Student iPad Insurance	\$ 94.42
1702	Employees working ECA events	\$(1,668.28)
1850	Education Plates	
2000	BTS/FES Upgrade Grant	\$ 17,828.12
2003	Upgrade Grant	\$ 2,214.93
2006	Social Emotional Learning OCE	\$1,292.74
2009	Isenbarger-Wolfe Revocable Trust	\$270,685.34
2011	Upgrade Grant- WMPS (former OCE)	\$ 30,535.76
2012	Trojan Youth Football donation	\$1,112.28
2016	Ind Retired Teachers Foundation Grant	
2400	ECIST Wellness 2024	\$ 1,586.26
3028	Formative Assessment Grant	\$ 9,345.30
3140	Early Literacy Achievement Grant	
3270	Secured Schools Safety Grant	\$ 17,300.87
3700	Scholarships and Awards Fund	\$337.59
3710	Non English Speaking Grant	\$97.15
3749	Career & Technical Performance Grant	
3750	Teacher Appreciation Grant	
3780	State Connectivity	
3956	Project Lead the Way	\$ 3,991.08
3957	PLTW-WMHS Gateway	\$11,838.26
3958	PLTW-OCE Launch	\$2,949.89
3966	High Ability 2023-2024	
3967	High Ability 2024-2025	\$ 18,568.18
4120	Title I 2023-2024	
4150	Title I 2020-2021	\$259.00
4160	Title I 2024-2025	\$ (6,723.79)
4191	Title I, SIG OCE/WMHS	\$7.70

5200	FY24 ISEA Part B 611	\$ (1,981.31)
5248	Special Education Part B (611) FY23	\$ (2,707.83)
5249	FY 25 IDEA Part B, 611	\$ (3,883.41)
5250	FY25 IDEA Part B, 611	
5400	Part B 619 Preschool	
5450	FY25 IDEA Preschool (619)	\$ (651.46)
6460	Medicaid Reimbursement-Federal	\$ 17,204.30
6842	Title II-A FFY 2023	
6843	Title II-A FFY 2023	\$ (1,688.92)
7897	Educational Excellence Grant	
7909	ESSER III LL	
7923	ESSER III	
7931	ESSER II	
8000	Investments	\$2,000,000.00
8400	Prepaid School Meals Accounts	\$ 7,269.84
9200	Clearing	\$ 943.40
	Total	<u>\$ 5,287,819.21</u>

Investments

100	General Fund	.00
200	Debt Service	.00
350	Capital Projects	.00
410	Transportation Fund	.00
610	Local Rainy-Day Fund	.00
	Temporary Loans	
	General Fund	.00
	Debt Service	.00
	Debt Retire/Severance	.00
	Capital Projects	.00
	Transportation Fund	.00

The bank reconciliation is current as of 03/31/2025.

OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Galvin presented to the School Board that the Activity Buses approved and ordered previously have arrived at the cost of \$199,026.00, which we will be paying from the Rainy Day fund to save on appropriations in the Operations Fund.

Dr. Galvin turned the meeting over to Mr. Spindler who presented for consideration the resolution meeting the requirement from the Indiana Local Redistricting Department to redistrict the East Gibson School Corporation based upon residential districting, permitting all residents within the boundaries of our corporation to vote for all School Board members. The board members will remain as follows: one from Barton Township, one from Center Township, one from the City of Oakland City, one from Columbia Township and one At-Large member. Mr. Sevier made a motion to accept with Mr. Sermersheim providing the second. Motion passed 4-0.

2025-48

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Galvin presented for consideration the Application for Use of School Facilities by the Gibson County Soccer Club to permit East Gibson youth to practice on our soccer field during the designated dates. Mr. Edwards made a motion to approve with Mr. Sermersheim providing the second.

Motion passed 4-0.

2025-49

Dr. Galvin presented for consideration the renewal of the Agreement for Professional Services with Youth First, Incorporated for the social worker services for the 2025-2026 school year at the cost of \$45,500 to be paid from the Education Fund. Mr. Sevier asked if all of that goes to the social worker. Dr. Galvin said yes and explained that the social worker services the entire corporation. Mrs. Rowe made a motion to accept the consideration. Mr. Sevier seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

2025-50

Dr. Galvin presented for consideration the 1003 Flexibility Waiver for the Indiana Department of Education to use instructional minutes and flexibility with the asynchronous days to provide four professional development days and parent/teacher conferences. Mr. Sevier made a motion to approve. Mrs. Rowe seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

2025-51

Dr. Galvin presented for consideration the following proposals from Greer's Flooring America for the 2025 flooring projects:

- Wood Memorial High School Hallways: \$49,134.94
- Wood Memorial Intermediate School Rooms 207 and 208: \$10,075.12
- Wood Memorial Primary School Main Hallway: \$16,599.69

All of these projects will be paid from the Operations Fund. Dr. Galvin said the hallways will be LVT and the classrooms will be carpet. Mr. Sevier asked if there were issues with tile like we had in the Primary that would add to the cost. Greer's flooring rep said no issues in these areas. Mr. Sevier made a motion to approve with Mr. Sermersheim providing the second. The motion was approved with a 4-0 vote.

2025-52

Dr. Galvin presented for consideration the proposal from Alpha Energy Solutions to replace the Junior High DX9100 Upgrade Controls for a cost of \$19,587.00, which will be paid from the Operations Fund. Mr. Sevier made a motion to approve. Mr. Edwards seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

2025-53

Dr. Galvin presented for consideration the proposal from Alpha Energy Solutions to replace the HVAC Rooftop Unit #406 at Wood Memorial High School for a cost of \$26,675.00, which will be paid from the Operations Fund. Mrs. Rowe made a motion to accept with Mr. Sevier providing the second. The motion passed 4-0.

2025-54

Personnel Recommendations

- Resignations and Retirements:
Nicholas Berry: Resignation as Wood Memorial High School Special Education Teacher
Katy Whitehouse: Resignation as Wood Memorial High School English Teacher
Victoria Whitehouse: Termination as a School Bus Driver
Tracy Tinsley: Termination as a School Bus Assistant
- Leave and FMLA Requests:
Mindy Wright: Intermittent FMLA due to "a serious health condition affecting a parent for which you are needed to provide care" for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year.
- Hiring and Transfer Requests:
Lori Malin: Transfer to the Elementary Dean position for the 2025-2026 school year
Dustin Meuser: Transfer to the Whole Child Classroom for the 2025-2026 school year
Damiano Risi: Homebound Instructor for Wood Memorial High School at 5 hours per week for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year

Mrs. Rowe made a motion to approve the personnel recommendations as presented and Mr. Sermersheim seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 4-0 vote. 2025-55

Reports, Questions, and Concerns by Board Members and Administration present

Dr. Galvin said he attended the USI job fair with the principals. He presented a flyer that was used there and can be used within the community to highlight East Gibson. He said we are in good shape with our appropriations and budget for the year. He also said he is keeping an eye on Senate Bill 1 and is still working on how those cuts will apply. He said he'll keep an eye on our enrollment numbers.

Mrs. Parke said they had parent lunch week and gave a huge thank you to Allison and the cafeteria staff. Spring Fling was a huge success. Thanks to the PTO. She said we just finished IREAD but we don't have scores yet. She said we started ILEARN today.

Dr. Boyle thanked the cafeteria staff again for all their work during parent lunch week. She said Life Skills is taking field trips thanks to their coaster fundraiser earlier in the year. She said they had a great time at the zoo. She talked about Book Blast and that all students got free books.

Mrs. Crews said Lily Scraper placed first in high jump, Vivian Young placed second in long jump and Cy Boyd placed second in high jump at the recent track showcase. NHS and NJHS raised \$800 to support Gibson County Animal Shelter and completed a day of service there. She said we have lots coming up including Prom and graduation.

Mr. Rhoden said the new activity buses did not come with strobe lights. He said that Indiana State Police said strobe lights are not required but our policy says they are required. He asked if we want to add them to the buses or change our policy. Mr. Sevier asked if they were included in the PO. Mr. Rhoden said he would check on that. Mr. Sevier said he would like the buses to have them but said we are ok to start using them once they pass inspection. Mr. Rhoden said they will be inspected on Thursday.

Allison Lee, Aramark Food Service Director, said everything is going great. Sales are great. Parent lunch week was great. We celebrated National School Breakfast Week. We also offer field trip meals and pricing is based on their free/reduced status. We'll do the summer feeding program again this year.

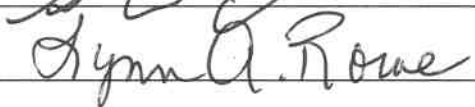
NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Regular Board meeting will be Monday, May 12, 2025. Executive Session will begin at 4:00 P.M. if needed with the regular meeting to begin at 5:00 P.M. in the Lecture Room at Wood Memorial High School.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the regular meeting was made by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mr. Sermersheim, 4-0.

2025-56

, President
, Secretary

Ginger Schenks
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My Commission expires the 10th day of October 2028.



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LEGAL NOTICE

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
OF THE EAST GIBSON SCHOOL CORPORATION
PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION
INITIATING AN AMENDED AND RESTATED PLAN OF ORGANIZATION
CHANGING TO VOTING FOR ALL CANDIDATES
BY ALL VOTERS IN THE SCHOOL CORPORATION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in accordance with the provisions of Indiana Code 20-23-8-14, that the Board of School Trustees ("Board") of the East Gibson School Corporation ("EGSC") did, on April 14, 2025, approve a Resolution initiating a plan changing the residential district criteria and composition for the election of members to the Board, as the governing body of the school corporation.

The text of the plan initiated by the Board is as follows:

AMENDED AND RESTATED PLAN FOR CHANGE TO RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT COMPOSITION OF GOVERNING BODY

1. Board of School Trustees (Board) of the East Gibson School Corporation (EGSC)

1.1. Number & Residential Districts

The governance of EGSC shall be vested in a non-partisan Board composed of five (5) members elected at a November general election in accordance with the provisions of Indiana Code 20-23-4-29.1 and Indiana Code 3-8-2.5.

Members shall be elected as follows:

1.1.1. Barton Township

One (1) member shall be elected by all eligible voters in the East Gibson School Corporation.

1.1.2. Center Township

One (1) member shall be elected by all eligible voters in the East Gibson School Corporation.

1.1.3. The City of Oakland City

One (1) member shall be elected by all eligible voters in the East Gibson School Corporation.

1.1.4. Columbia Township, excluding Oakland City

One (1) member shall be elected by all eligible voters in the East Gibson School Corporation.

1.1.5. At Large

One (1) member shall be elected by all eligible voters in the East Gibson School Corporation.

2. Term of Office

2.1. Membership on the EGSC Board shall constitute the holding of a "lucrative office" as said term is used in Article 2, §9 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana.

2.2. Members shall be elected to a term of office of four (4) years commencing as of January 1 of the year following the year of their election.

3. Organization and Appointment of Officers

3.1. The Board shall annually organize within fifteen (15) days after the commencement date of the members' terms of office, or within such time as might otherwise be required by applicable law.

3.2. The Board shall select from among its membership a president, vice president and secretary, each of whom shall be a different member of the Board.

3.3. The Board may make such other appointments as permitted by, and in accordance with, applicable law.

4. Compensation

Members shall be entitled to compensation for the performance of their duties on the Board, as limited by applicable law and as determined, from time to time, by resolution of the Board.

5. Eligibility for Membership on Board

Eligibility for Membership on the Board shall be governed by Indiana Code, including but not limited to Indiana Code 3-8-1-34.

6. Vacancies on Board

6.1. Vacancies on the Board existing because of the death of a school board member shall be filled in the manner provided by Indiana Code 20-26-4-4.5, as from time to time amended.

6.2. Vacancies on the Board existing for any reason other than the death of an elected, qualified and acting school board member shall be filled in the manner provided by Indiana Code 20-26-4-4, as from time to time amended.

7. Transition Plan Pending Board Elections

7.1. Schedule of Current Board Terms and Listing of Current Residential Districts

The terms of office of the current members of the Board, their respective residential election districts, their last election dates, their next election dates and the dates of seating following their next election under the existing EGSC governing body selection plan are as follows:

District #	Existing District	Member	Current Term Begins	Current Term Ends	Seating Date of Next Term	Next Election
1	Barton Township	Steven Sevier	01/01/2023	12/31/2026	01/01/2027	November 2026
2	Center Township	Lincoln Edwards	01/01/2025	12/31/2029	01/01/2030	November 2029
3	City of Oakland City	Joshua Brewer	01/01/2023	12/31/2026	01/01/2027	November 2026
4	Columbia Township, excluding Oakland City	Roger Sermersheim	01/01/2025	12/31/2029	01/01/2030	November 2029
5	At Large	Lynn Rowe	01/01/2023	12/31/2026	01/01/2027	November 2026

7.2. Transition of Residential District Representation

The representation of the existing residential districts shall be transitioned under this proposed plan change in the following manner:

7.2.1. In the November 2026, general election, the terms of members Steven Sevier (current District One); Joshua Brewer (current District Three); and Lynn Rowe (current District Five) would end at the year end and their replacements would run as candidates to be voted on by all eligible voters in the EGSC. Each of the elected replacement candidates would commence his/her term of office as of January 1, 2027, and those terms would end as of December 31, 2030.

7.2.2. In the November, 2029, general election, the terms of members Lincoln Edwards (current District Two); and Roger Sermersheim (current District Four) would end at year end and their replacements would run as candidates to be voted on by all eligible voters in the EGSC. Each of the elected replacement candidates would commence his/her term of office as of January 1, 2030, and those terms would end as of December 31, 2033.

7.3. Election Date for Board Members under Proposed Plan Change

Upon passage of this proposed plan change and its becoming effective upon the Effective Date, all members of the Board will be elected at general elections held in November of the appropriate years as set forth above.

8. Retention of Terms of Originally Adopted Plan of Organization

Except as specifically modified herein or contradicted by State of Indiana law, all other terms and conditions of the original EGSC Plan of Reorganization, as approved by the Indiana State Commission on School Reorganization shall remain fully effective after the Effective Date hereof.

9. Effective Date

All aspects of this proposed plan change shall become effective as of its certification by the Indiana Department of Education (assuming no protest petitions to this Board initiated plan or alternate plans are filed).

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that not later than one hundred twenty (120) days after the publication of this notice voters residing within the overall boundaries of the East Gibson School Corporation may file with the Clerk of the Gibson Circuit Court a petition protesting the above Plan or a petition submitting an alternative plan in accordance with the following parameters:

- A petition protesting the above Plan shall be signed by at least twenty percent (20%) of the voters of the school corporation or five hundred (500) voters of the school corporation, whichever is less.
- A petition submitting an alternative plan shall be signed by at least twenty percent (20%) of the voters of the school corporation.

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By:

Lynn Rowe

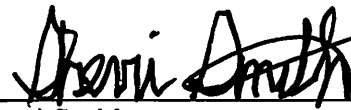
Lynn Rowe
Secretary of the Board of School Trustee

CERTIFICATE OF NO REMONSTRANCE

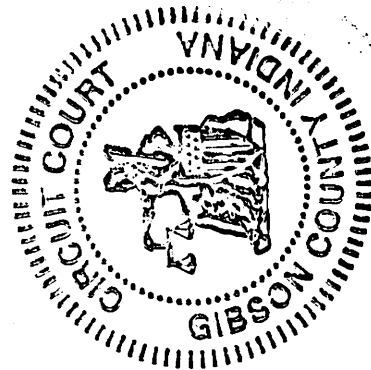
I, Sherri Smith, Clerk of Gibson County, Indiana, do hereby certify that there were no remonstrances filed regarding the proposed **Resolution Initiating an Amended and Restated Plan of Organization Changing to Voting for All Candidates by All Voters in the School Corporation** as adopted by the Board of Trustees of the East Gibson School Corporation on April 14, 2025.

A Notice of Adoption was published on April 22, 2025, in the *Princeton Daily Clarion* and on April 25, 2025, in the *South Gibson Star Times*.

Dated this 19th day of September 2025.



Sherri Smith
Gibson County Clerk





Noted