

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL JOINT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF NORTH WHITE SCHOOL
CORPORATION

The Board of Trustees, North White School Corporation met in a Special Joint School Board meeting on Monday, March 1, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. EST. in the Auditorium of the North White Middle/High School at 305 E. Broadway St., Monon, Indiana according to Indiana Code 10-5-3-2, Public Law 57, and the rules of the Board. Board members present were Jim White, Scott Williams, Rebecca Princell, Joshua Robertson, Ricki Westerhouse, Scott Denton and Carlene Hunt. Also present were Nicholas G. Eccles, Superintendent, Karen Pfladderer, Emma Conwell, Steven Land, Robert Little, Danielle Eccles, Ashley Culross, Terrie Brown, Cami Owens, Jill Scott, Bradley Jakes, Jeremy Boszor, Michelle Hay, Greg Briles and Beth Dean. Dr. J.T. Coopman, IAPSS Executive Director and Mrs. Trudy Coopman. **Benton Community School Corporation:** Scott Van Der Aa, Superintendent, Dr. Jennifer Barce, Holli Schoen, Chris Dalton, Tracy Albertson, Corey Robb, Jamie Briles, Jacquelyn Dowdy, Charles Dowdy, Sara Crane and Michelle Asher. **Carroll Consolidated School Corporation:** Keith Thackery, Superintendent, Eric Johnson, Ryan Allbaugh, Amanda Redmon, Kyle Wagner, Alesia Brown, Ali Parks and Kelsey Kelso. **Delphi Community School Corporation:** Dan Ronk, Superintendent, Kirk Schwarzkopf, Tim Strasser, Gil Smith, Mike Priest, Zach Owens, Chris Nipple, Tim Conner and Sheryl L. Conner. **Eastern Pulaski Community School Corporation:** Dara Chezem, Superintendent, Tim Rausch, Rob Zeider, Beth Ruff, Joe Cunningham, Aaron Campbell, Jimmy Terry, Kate Daily, Cody Hook, Emily Hintz, Lexi Swartzell, Beth Smith, Jackie Kiser, Jill Collins, Jenni Belcher, Mandy Bennett, Theresa Blankenship and Teresa Morning. **Frontier School Corporation:** Dan Sichting, Superintendent, Andie Mears, Shelley Christopher and Steve Christopher. **Kankakee Valley School Corporation:** Don Street, Superintendent, Jill Duttlinger, Katie Sampson and Bill Walther. **North Newton School Corporation:** Dr. Cathy Rowe, Superintendent, Patricia Reyes, Paul Sheldon (virtual), Tiffany Fox, Samantha Hickel (virtual), Diane Gonczy (virtual), Tiffany Sintkowski and Dawn Sutton. **Pioneer Regional School Corporation:** Chuck Grable, Superintendent, Lisa Kesling, Denny Herd, Chandra Felker, Rachelle Pearson and Deb Swartzell. **Rensselaer Central School Corporation:** Curt Craig, Superintendent, Kris Phillips, Rick Odle, Andrew Jones, Stacy Kurdelak and Wayne Belden. **Tri-County School Corporation:** Patrick Culp, Superintendent, Dr. Brandi Schemerhorn, Bob Gerber, Don Pampel, Spencer Geib and Michelle Buswell. **Twin Lakes School Corporation:** Debbie Metzger, Superintendent, Gloria Kinnard, John Roscka and Mike Godlove. **West Central School Corporation:** Dan Zylstra, Superintendent, Kyle McTeigue and David Reif.

1. Call to Order
Mr. White called the Special Joint meeting to order.

1.1 The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

1.2 Mr. White recognized a Quorum. He recognized the eight school boards participating in this joint meeting: Benton Community, Carroll Consolidated, Delphi Community, Eastern Pulaski Community, North Newton, North White, Pioneer Regional and Tri-County.

Other schools sending representatives or administrators to the meeting, but not conducting business, included Frontier, Rensselaer Central, Kankakee Valley, Twin Lakes and West Central.

1.3 Mr. Eccles, Superintendent of North White School Corporation, welcomed everyone who came out tonight with a statement. "At no other time have this many school boards from these many counties joined together for a meeting." "This is a statement to all public educators across the state that, although we are individual, we are also one."

2. Guest Speaker – Dr. J.T. Coopman, IAPSS Executive Director, explained the General Assembly's education bill proposals. He presented information on House Bill 1005, Senate Bill 412 and Senate Bill 413 and recommended the school boards and representatives to spread the word among their constituents.

3. Hearing of Patrons

Mr. White asked each of the participating school boards in attendance if they had a representative who wished to speak. Benton Community – No representative; Carroll Consolidated – Alesia Brown, Co-President of Carroll Education Association; Delphi Community – Tim Conner, President of Teacher Association; Eastern Pulaski – Kate Daily, President of Teacher Association; North Newton – Tiffany Sintkowski, Teacher; North White – Jeremy Boszor, President of NWCTA; Pioneer Regional – No Representative; Tri-County – No representative

4. Action Items

Mr. White read the Resolutions that the participating school boards would be voting on. He read, the Resolution Opposing Education Savings Accounts and Voucher Expansion and the Joint Resolution Between Local Teacher's Associations and Their Respective School Boards of Education In Opposition to HB 1005, SB 412 and SB 413. He also asked, when he calls on each school board, if you have a prepared statement to read you may do so at this time.

Mr. White recommended that the Board approve 4.1.1 Resolution Opposing Education Savings Accounts and Voucher Expansion and 4.1.2 Joint Resolution Between Local Teacher's Association and Their Respective School Boards of Education In Opposition to HB 1005, SB 412 and SB 413. Mr. Williams moved to approve these resolutions. Mr. Robertson seconded and the motion carried 7-0.

Mr. White called on **Benton Community School Corporation**. Dr. Jennifer Barce read a statement. Dr. Barce recommended that the Board approve 4.1.1 Resolution Opposing Education Savings Accounts and Voucher Expansion and 4.1.2 Joint Resolution Between Local Teacher's Association and Their Respective School Boards of Education In Opposition to HB 1005, SB 412 and SB 413. Hollie Schoen moved to approve these resolutions. Chris Dalton seconded and the motion carried 3-0.

Mr. White called on **Carroll Consolidated School Corporation**. Eric Johnson recommended that the Board approve 4.1.1 Resolution Opposing Education Savings Accounts and Voucher Expansion and 4.1.2 Joint Resolution Between Local Teacher's Association and Their Respective School Boards of Education In Opposition to HB 1005, SB 412 and SB 413. Kyle Wagner moved to approve these resolutions. Ryan Allbaugh seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

Mr. White called on **Delphi Community School Corporation**. Kirk Schwarzkopf read a statement. Kirk Schwarzkopf recommended that the Board approve 4.1.1 Resolution Opposing Education Savings Accounts and Voucher Expansion and 4.1.2 Joint Resolution Between Local Teacher's Association and Their Respective School Boards of Education In Opposition to HB 1005, SB 412 and SB 413. Tim Strasser moved to approve these resolutions. Zach Owen seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Mr. White called on **Eastern Pulaski Community School Corporation**. Tim Rausch read a statement. Tim Rausch recommended that the Board approve 4.1.1 Resolution Opposing Education Savings Accounts and Voucher Expansion and 4.1.2 Joint Resolution Between Local Teacher's Association and Their Respective School Boards of Education In Opposition to HB 1005, SB 412 and SB 413. Jimmy Terry moved to approve these resolutions. Beth Ruff seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Mr. White called on **North Newton School Corporation**. Patricia Reyes Recommended that the Board approve 4.1.1 Resolution Opposing Education Savings Accounts and Voucher Expansion and 4.1.2 Joint Resolution Between Local Teacher's Association and Their Respective School Boards of Education In Opposition to HB 1005, SB 412 and SB 413. Patricia Reyes moved to approve these resolutions. Tiffany Fox seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Mr. White called on **Pioneer Regional School Corporation**. Lisa Kesling recommended that the Board approve 4.1.1 Resolution Opposing Education Savings Accounts and Voucher Expansion and 4.1.2 Joint Resolution Between Local Teacher's Association and Their Respective School Boards of Education In Opposition to HB 1005, SB 412 and SB 413. Rachelle Pearson moved to approve these resolutions. Denny Herd seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

Mr. White called on **Tri-County School Corporation**. Dr. Brandi Schemerhorn read a statement. Dr. Schemerhorn recommended that the Board approve 4.1.1 Resolution Opposing Education Savings Accounts and Voucher Expansion and 4.1.2 Joint Resolution Between Local Teacher's Association and Their Respective School Boards of Education In Opposition to HB 1005, SB 412 and SB 413. Don Pampel moved to approve these resolutions. Spencer Geib seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

5. School Board Comments

Mr. White asked if any school boards would like to make a brief general statement at this time: Dan Sichting, Superintendent of Frontier School Corporation and Curt Craig, Superintendent of Rensselaer Central School Corporation both spoke.

6. Closing Remarks

Mr. White thanked Dr. J.T. Coopman, IAPSS Executive Director, all of the board members, administrators, fellow educators and community members who showed up tonight, to show our legislators that we value our schools and believe in their future.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m. EST

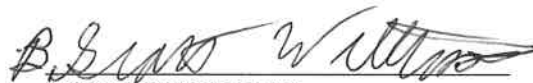



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BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NORTH WHITE SCHOOL CORP.

Resolution Opposing Education Savings Accounts and Voucher Expansion

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly during its 2021 legislative session is considering House Bill 1005, Senate Bill 412, Senate Bill 413, and other bills that establish Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) and expand vouchers.

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the Indiana General Assembly should not enact Education Savings Accounts, or expand vouchers, and should continue to promote and fully invest in Indiana's public schools, more specifically, to further the public good, public funds should be invested in improving the schools designed to serve all children and to aid in improving Indiana public school teachers' salaries as recommended by the Governor's Teacher Compensation Commission in its report of December 14, 2020.

WHEREAS, the costs of Education Savings Accounts and school vouchers are covered exclusively by our state's school tuition support fund, further providing fewer dollars to fund our public schools and increase teacher salaries.

WHEREASE, the Board believes that public schools provide a strong educational environment for Indiana's children and Education Savings Accounts, if enacted, and expanded school vouchers would put this environment at risk by directing resources away from those schools to nonpublic schools and/or home schools that are not subject to the same rigorous scrutiny for their use of taxpayer resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, the school board of Benton Community School Corporation opposes the passage and signing of HB 1005, SB 412, SB 413 or any other bill expanding vouchers and/or creating Education Savings Accounts.

Approved this 1st day of March, 2021.

Jennifer Barce
Board President



Holli Schoen
Board Secretary



**JOINT RESOLUTION BETWEEN
BENTON EDUCATION ASSOCIATION
AND
BENTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION BOARD OF EDUCATION
IN OPPOSITION TO HB 1005, SB 412, AND SB 413**

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly during its 2021 legislative session is considering HB 1005, SB 412, SB 413 bills that establish Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) and dramatically increase funding for school choice scholarships; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned entities ("Entities") believe that such legislation divert much needed resources from public schools; and

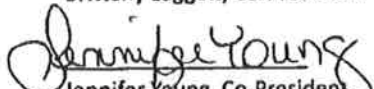
WHEREAS, the Entities believe that this type of legislation does not give choice to families but to nonpublic schools as nonpublic schools can choose who they educate and public funds should only be used for education that is open and inclusive to all Indiana students; and

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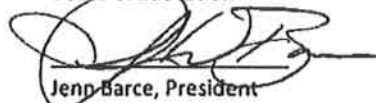
NOW THEREFORE, the Entities strongly oppose HB 1005 and urge Legislators to vote NO to HB 1005, SB 412, SB 413 and any other legislation that directs funding away from Indiana public schools.

Benton Education Association
Teacher's Association


Brittany Laggett, Co-President


Jennifer Young, Co-President

Benton Community School Corporation
Board of Education


Jenn Barce, President

Carroll Consolidated School Corporation Board of Trustees

Resolution Opposing Education Savings Accounts and Voucher Expansion

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly during its 2021 legislative session is considering House Bill 1005, Senate Bill 412, Senate Bill 413, and other bills that establish Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) and expand vouchers, the funding of which is at the expense of general public education funding.

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the Indiana General Assembly should not enact Education Savings Accounts, or expand vouchers, and should continue to promote and fully invest in Indiana's public schools, more specifically, to further the public good, public funds should be invested in improving the schools designed to serve all children and to aid in improving Indiana public school teachers' salaries as recommended by the Governor's Teacher Compensation Commission in its report of December 14, 2020.

WHEREAS, the costs of Education Savings Accounts and school vouchers are covered exclusively by our state's school tuition support fund, further providing fewer dollars to fund our public schools and increase teacher salaries.

WHEREAS, the Board believes that public schools provide a strong educational environment for Indiana's children and Education Savings Accounts, if enacted, and expanded school vouchers would put this environment at risk by directing resources away from those schools to nonpublic schools and/or home schools that are not subject to the same rigorous scrutiny for their use of taxpayer resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, the school board of Carroll Consolidated School Corporation opposes the passage and signing of HB 1005, SB 412, SB 413 or any other bill expanding vouchers and/or creating Education Savings Accounts at the expense of public education dollars directed to public schools.

Approved this 1st day of March, 2021.

Billy Lytle, Member

Kyle Wagner, Member

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Eric Johnson, President

Ryan Allbaugh, Vice-President

Amanda Redmon, Secretary

**JOINT RESOLUTION BETWEEN
CARROLL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION
AND
CARROLL CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL CORPORATION
IN OPPOSITION TO HB 1005, SB 412, AND SB 413**

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly during its 2021 legislative session is considering HB 1005, SB 412, SB 413 bills that establish Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) and dramatically increase funding for school choice scholarships; and

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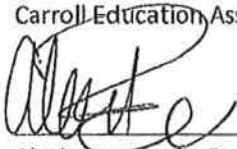
WHEREAS, the Carroll Education Association and the Carroll Consolidated School Corporation believe that this type of legislation does not give choice to families but, instead, gives preference to nonpublic schools because nonpublic schools can choose who they educate and public funds should only be used for education that is open and inclusive to all Indiana students; and

WHEREAS, the Carroll Education Association and the Carroll Consolidated School Corporation believe that public schools provide a strong educational environment for Indiana's children while this legislation, if enacted, would put this environment at risk by directing resources away from public schools to nonpublic schools which are not subject to the same rigorous scrutiny for their use of taxpayer resources.

NOW THEREFORE, the Carroll Education Association and the Carroll Consolidated School Corporation strongly oppose HB 1005 and urge Legislators to vote NO to HB 1005, SB 412, SB 413 and any other legislation that directs funding away from Indiana public schools.

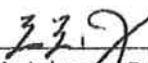
Approved this 1st day of March 2021.

Carroll Education Association


Alesia Brown, Co-President


Ryan Duff, Co-President

Carroll Consolidated School Corporation
Board of School Trustees


Eric Johnson, President

Billy Lytle, Member


Ryan Allbaugh, Vice-President


Kyle Wagner, Member


Amanda Redmon, Secretary

Resolution Opposing Education Savings Accounts and Voucher Expansion

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly during its 2021 legislative session is considering House Bill 1005, Senate Bill 412, Senate Bill 413, and other bills that establish Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) and expand vouchers.

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the Indiana General Assembly should not enact Education Savings Accounts, or expand vouchers, and should continue to promote and fully invest in Indiana's public schools, more specifically, to further the public good, public funds should be invested in improving the schools designed to serve all children and to aid in improving Indiana public school teachers' salaries as recommended by the Governor's Teacher Compensation Commission in its report of December 14, 2020.

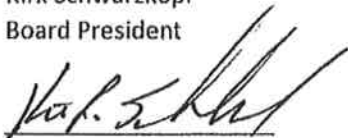
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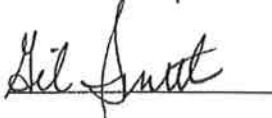
NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, the school board of Delphi Community School Corporation opposes the passage and signing of HB 1005, SB 412, SB 413 or any other bill expanding vouchers and/or creating Education Savings Accounts.

Approved this 1st day of March, 2021.

Kirk Schwarzkopf
Board President



Gil Smith
Board Secretary



**JOINT RESOLUTION BETWEEN
DELPHI CLASSROOM TEACHERS ASSOCIATION
AND
DELPHI COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION BOARD OF EDUCATION
IN OPPOSITION TO HB 1005, SB 412, AND SB 413**

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NOW THEREFORE, the Entities strongly oppose HB 1005 and urge Legislators to vote NO to HB 1005, SB 412, SB 413 and any other legislation that directs funding away from Indiana public schools.

Delphi Classroom
Teachers Association



Tim Conner, President

Delphi Community School Corporation
Board of Education



Kirk Schwarzkopf, President

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NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, the school board of Eastern Pulaski Community School Corporation opposes the passage and signing of HB 1005, SB 412, SB 413 or any other bill expanding vouchers and/or creating Education Savings Accounts.

Approved this 8th day of March, 2021.

Tim Rausch
Board President



Beth Ruff
Board Secretary



**JOINT RESOLUTION BETWEEN
EASTERN PULASKI TEACHER'S ASSOCIATION
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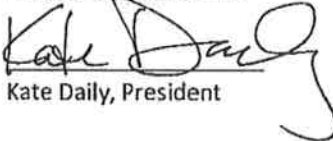
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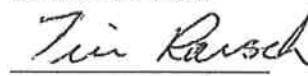
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Eastern Pulaski School Corporation
Teacher's Association ,


Kate Daily, President

Eastern Pulaski School Corporation
Board of Education


Tim Rausch, President

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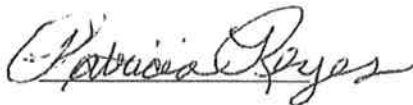
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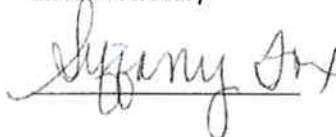
NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, the school board of North Newton School Corporation opposes the passage and signing of HB 1005, SB 412, SB 413 or any other bill expanding vouchers and/or creating Education Savings Accounts.

Approved this 1st day of March, 2021.

Patricia Reyes
Board President



Tiffany Fox
Board Secretary



**JOINT RESOLUTION BETWEEN
NORTH NEWTON EDUCATION ASSOCIATION
AND
NORTH NEWTON SCHOOL CORPORATION BOARD OF EDUCATION
IN OPPOSITION TO HB 1005, SB 412, AND SB 413**

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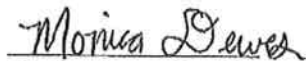
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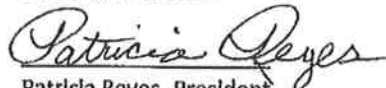
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North Newton
Education Association


Monica Dewes, President

North Newton School Corporation
Board of Education


Patricia Reyes, President

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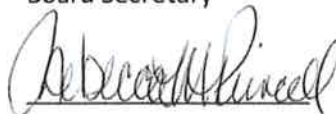
NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, the school board of North White School Corporation opposes the passage and signing of HB 1005, SB 412, SB 413 or any other bill expanding vouchers and/or creating Education Savings Accounts.

Approved this 1st day of March, 2021.

Jim White
Board President

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Rebecca Princell
Board Secretary

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**JOINT RESOLUTION BETWEEN
NORTH WHITE CLASSROOM TEACHER'S ASSOCIATION
AND
NORTH WHITE SCHOOL CORPORATION BOARD OF EDUCATION
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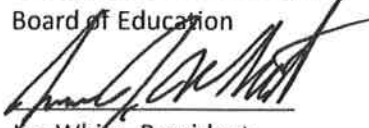
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North White Classroom
Teacher's Association


Jeremy Boszor, President

North White School Corporation
Board of Education


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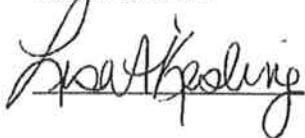
WHEREAS, the costs of Education Savings Accounts and school vouchers are covered exclusively by our state's school tuition support fund, further providing fewer dollars to fund our public schools and increase teacher salaries.

WHEREASE, the Board believes that public schools provide a strong educational environment for Indiana's children and Education Savings Accounts, if enacted, and expanded school vouchers would put this environment at risk by directing resources away from those schools to nonpublic schools and/or home schools that are not subject to the same rigorous scrutiny for their use of taxpayer resources.

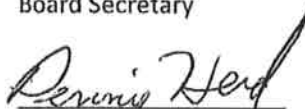
NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, the school board of Pioneer Regional School Corporation opposes the passage and signing of HB 1005, SB 412, SB 413 or any other bill expanding vouchers and/or creating Education Savings Accounts.

Approved this 1st day of March, 2021.

Lisa Kesling
Board President



Dennis Herd
Board Secretary



**JOINT RESOLUTION BETWEEN
PIONEER REGIONAL CLASSROOM TEACHER'S ASSOCIATION
AND
PIONEER REGIONAL SCHOOL CORPORATION BOARD OF EDUCATION
IN OPPOSITION TO HB 1005, SB 412, AND SB 413**

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly during its 2021 legislative session is considering HB 1005, SB 412, SB 413 bills that establish Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) and dramatically increase funding for school choice scholarships; and

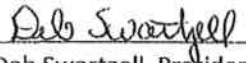
WHEREAS, the aforementioned entities ("Entities") believe that such legislation divert much needed resources from public schools; and

WHEREAS, the Entities believe that this type of legislation does not give choice to families but to nonpublic schools as nonpublic schools can choose who they educate and public funds should only be used for education that is open and inclusive to all Indiana students; and


WHEREAS, the Entities believe that public schools provide a strong educational environment for Indiana's children while this legislation, if enacted, would put this environment at risk by directing resources away from public schools to nonpublic schools which are not subject to the same rigorous scrutiny for their use of taxpayer resources.

NOW THEREFORE, the Entities strongly oppose HB 1005 and urge Legislators to vote NO to HB 1005, SB 412, SB 413 and any other legislation that directs funding away from Indiana public schools.

Pioneer Regional Classroom
Teacher's Association


Deb Swartzell, President

Pioneer Regional School Corporation
Board of Education


Lisa Kesling, President

Resolution Opposing Education Savings Accounts and Voucher Expansion

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly during its 2021 legislative session is considering House Bill 1005 and Senate Bill 413, and other bills that establish Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) and expand vouchers.

WHEREAS, the Tri-County School Board has determined that the Indiana General Assembly should not enact Education Savings Accounts, or expand vouchers, and should continue to promote and fully invest in Indiana's public schools, more specifically, to further the public good, public funds should be invested in improving the schools designed to serve all children and to aid in improving Indiana public school teachers' salaries as recommended by the Governor's Teacher Compensation Commission in its report of December 14, 2020.

WHEREAS, the costs of Education Savings Accounts and school vouchers are covered exclusively by our state's school tuition support fund, further providing fewer dollars to fund our public schools and increase teacher salaries.

WHEREAS, the Tri-County School Board believes that public schools provide a strong educational environment for Indiana's children and Education Savings Accounts, if enacted, and expanded school vouchers would put this environment at risk by directing resources away from those schools to nonpublic schools and/or home schools that are not subject to the same rigorous scrutiny for their use of taxpayer resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, the school board of Tri-County School Corporation opposes the passage and signing of HB 1005 and SB 413 or any other bill expanding vouchers and/or creating Education Savings Accounts.

Approved this 1st day of March, 2021.

Dr. Brandi Schemerhorn
Board President



Mr. Jason Kilmer
Board Secretary



**JOINT RESOLUTION BETWEEN TRI-COUNTY CLASSROOM TEACHERS
ORGANIZATION
AND
THE TRI-COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION IN OPPOSITION TO HB 1005 AND SB
413**

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly during its 2021 legislative session is considering HB 1005 and SB 413 bills that establish Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) and dramatically increase funding for school choice scholarships; and

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly is considering HB 1001 that reduces the funding for Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned entities ("Entities") believe that such legislation divert much needed resources from public schools, and

WHEREAS, the Entities believe that this type of legislation does not give choice to families but to nonpublic schools as nonpublic schools can choose who they educate and public funds should only be used for education that is open and inclusive to all Indiana students; and

WHEREAS, the Entities believe that public schools provide a strong educational environment for Indiana's children while this legislation if enacted, would put this environment at risk by directing resources away from public schools to nonpublic schools which are not subject to the same rigorous scrutiny for their use of taxpayer resources,

NOW, THEREFORE, the Entities strongly oppose HB 1005 and urge Legislators to vote NO to HB 1005 and SB 413, and any other legislation that directs funding away from Indiana public schools.

Tri-County Classroom Teachers Organization



Travis Scherer, TCCTO President

Tri-County School Board President



Dr. Brandi Schemerhorn, President