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Center Grove School Leaders Attend ISBA/IAPSS Seminar on Collective Bargaining

(February 13, 2015) - Indiana School Boards Association (ISBA) and Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents (IAPSS) jointly sponsored a seminar on collective bargaining at the Indianapolis Marriott North Hotel on February 13, 2015.

This one-day seminar helped public school board members, school superintendents, and school administrators better understand all aspects of the school negotiation process. Topics discussed were "Update from IEERB" by Patrick W. Mapes, chairperson, IEERB, Sarah Cudahy, Esq., IEERB general counsel, and Stacey Hughes, IEERB director of research, "Compensating Teachers for Hours Worked" was discussed by Amy Matthews of Church Church Hittle and Antrim. "Communicating with Employees and the Media While Bargaining" was given by Susan Traynor Chastain of Lewis and Kappes. Dr. Paul Kaiser, superintendent of Beech Grove City Schools, Dr. David Clendening, superintendent of Franklin Community Schools, and Dr. Tracy Caddell, superintendent of Eastern Howard Schools discussed "Master Contract Provisions on Salary and Fringe Benefits." Dr. Bruce Hibbard, superintendent of New Albany-Floyd County Community School Corporation, Mr. Thomas Hunter, superintendent of Greensburg Community Schools, and Dr. Thomas Fletcher, superintendent of Twin Lakes School Corporation discussed "Discussion with the Association", which touched on discussions with the teachers' association.

This seminar was especially valuable to update board members and administrators on the new collective bargaining practice in order to provide a sound foundation for the board's bargaining team and practical application of the knowledge gained.

Local board members and administrators from Center Grove Community School Corporation in Greenwood who attended were Dr. Rich Arkanoff, superintendent, Dr. William Long, assistant superintendent, Dr. Paul Gabriel, chief financial officer, Sally Hacker, director of human resources, and Adam Norman, board vice president.

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