



**Tri-Village Local Schools**  
**School of Excellence**  
Regular Board News Release

The Tri-Village Board of Education met on Monday, July 21, 2014 at 6:00 in the board office.

Mr. Sagester, Superintendent discussed the upcoming professional development days in August. The high school lab computers are currently being installed. The black top is completed and the parking lot has been striped and painted. Mr. Sagester complimented the summer crew and is very pleased with the summer progress.

Both the September 15th waiver day and school calamity day plans have been approved by the Ohio Department of Education.

Mr. Sagester is happy to announce Mr. George Kowalski is the newest member of our certified staff specifically our science department. We are excited to have him on staff. Additionally, Mrs. Jewell Towery was hired as our newest bus driver, she will be a nice addition to our team.

The family reports from the Ohio Achievement Assessments were recently mailed to all parents/guardians. We use the data from these reports to drive our instruction for our professional days in August.

The bus inspection was held on July 3rd, and could not have gone better. All buses were approved and stickered for the 2014-2015 school year. The inspectors continue to be very complimentary of the work Jerry Hollinger does to make sure our buses are compliant. Mr. Sagester commended Mr. Hollinger on a job well done.

Thanks to the Safety and Security Grant, the district has installed eight additional high definition cameras on campus. Mr. Sagester commended Mr. Chris Pearson, Facilities Operations Supervisor for ordering and installing the cameras. Moving forward the district will set money aside each year to continue to improve our video feeds on campus.

Mr. Sagester attended a county meeting regarding the School Resource Officer spearheaded by Representative Jim Buchy. In addition Sharon Deschambeau, President of the Darke County Chamber of Commerce, Chief Deputy Whittaker, Sheriff Toby Spencer, Commissioner Diane Delaplane and Darke County Chamber Board members were present at the meeting. After much discussion, Chief Deputy Whittaker distributed a cost estimate handout for year one start up followed by year two. They would like to hire 3 SROs for the county. Mr. Sagester shared the districts model with Mr. Ary and stated we are very fortunate to have him. Several area business owners have indicated they are on board with the project. This project is being spearheaded for the 2015-2016 school year.

Mr. Sagester publically thank the Brookville boys basketball coach for sponsoring raffle on behalf of family in the district who lost their home. They were presented a check in the amount of \$1,000. The family was extremely appreciative and was overwhelmed. Mr. Sagester congratulated Jenna Cline for earning the title of the Darke County Fair Queen.

The fall sports season will be kicked off with the first golf match on August 8th at the CCC Preview. Volleyball will begin on August 25th at Seton Catholic and the JH volleyball will be at home on the 25th taking on TCN. The cross country team will kick off on August 23rd at the Bob Schull Invitational.

Mr. Darin Dubbs concluded the meeting by stating his approval of all the personnel changes the district has incurred over the past two years. "I believe we have rebounded well and filled the positions with great administrators, and I am very happy with the current status of the schools", stated Dubbs.

**Other Items of interest:**

**PERSONNEL**

- A. *Accept the resignation of Christy Sarver, Cross Country Coach, effective July 15, 2014.*

- B. Issue a one year (2014-2015) limited certified contract to George Kowalski, 7-12 Integrated Science Teacher, conditionally, pending passage of the BCII criminal records check, negative drug screen and the issuance of a valid Ohio teaching certification/license, where applicable for the 2014-2015 school year.
- C. Approve Shane Mead as Title 1 Coordinator in the amount of \$3,500 for FY 2014-2015.
- D. Issue a one year (2014-2015) classified contract to Elizabeth Jewell Towery, School Bus Driver, conditionally, pending passage of the BCII criminal records check, negative drug screen and the issuance of a valid Ohio **school bus** endorsement, where applicable for the 2014-2015 school year.
- E. Approve Elizabeth Jewell Towery and Michael Reier, school bus drivers for the 2014-2015 school year.
- F. Issue a one year (2014-2015) supplemental contract to Beth Fisherback, Junior Class Advisor, Jackie Barnes, Assistant Junior Class Advisor, and Wanda Roberts, NHS Advisor.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Approve all bus stops as required by the State Department of Transportation, as recommended by the Transportation Coordinator and the Superintendent for the 2014-2015 school year. Changes or additional stops may be necessary as the year progresses if it is in the best interest of the Tri-Village Local Schools.
- B. Approve the 2014-2015 event ticket prices for Junior High and High School Sporting events, (\$6.00 per person for high school events and \$4.00 per person for junior high events).
- C. Approve the 2014-2015 sporting season ticket prices.
- D. Approve the issuance of free individual season passes to all athletic events, excluding the Bill Burkett Tournament, if a volunteer takes tickets for three games.
- E. Accept donations.
- F. Approve an overnight field trip for high school cheerleaders and high school dance team members to attend The Ohio State Fair on August 2-3, 2014.
- G. Approve an overnight field trip for the class of 2015 to visit New York City, NY from March 30 - April 3, 2015, under the direction of Jackie Barnes and Kim Puckett.
- H. Agrees to pay [REDACTED], grandparent of [REDACTED] \$200.00 per month to transport [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] Local Schools for the 2013-2014 school year.