

Tri-Village Local Schools School of Excellence

Regular Board News Release

Prior to the board meeting Mr. Josh Sagester, Superintendent, Mrs. Kimberly Chowning, Treasurer, Mr. Chris Pearson, Facilities Operations Supervisor, Mr. Brad Gray, Athletic Director, Mr. Lee Morris, JH/HS Principal along with members of the Board of Education and steering committee took part in a ground breaking for the Outdoor Athletic Complex Quest. [Insert Photo]

Mr. Darin Dubbs, school board member was recognized by The Ohio School Boards Association for his 10 years of service to public education and the school children of Ohio. Mr. Jim Somers a representative from OSBA was on hand to present Mr. Dubbs with his certificate.

Mr. Lee Morris, along with Mrs. Kim Puckett presented the Believe in Ohio Scholarships and Local Winners with a certificate on behalf of the Board. The final competition was held on April 25th; earning a \$20,000 scholarship was Keenan Fraylick, a \$10,000 scholarship was earned by Kaylor Pearson, and Gage Berghoff. Local winners consisted of team Casey Puckett and Tyler VanWinkle, Mason McCabe, Keenan Fraylick, and Trent Laux. Each scholarship and local winner gave a brief presentation on their project. Gage Berghoff's project was an emergency medical response drone, Mason McCabe's project was a dual screen laptop, Kaylor Pearson did an agricultural drone, Keenan Fraylick designed an athletic mouth guard to calculate the force of an impact to help detect a concussion, Casey Puckett and Tyler VanWinkle's project was a school emergency evacuation app, and Trent Laux's project consists of using transition lenses.

Mr. Shane Mead, Elementary Principal congratulated both Mrs. Cindy Munchel, 4th grade Reading Teacher and Mrs. Sarah Eley, 5th grade Science & Social Studies Teacher for earning the vacancies in the district for the 2015-2016 school year.

Mr. Mead was pleased to report that all testing is complete for the 2014-2015 school year. Kindergarten Screening is scheduled for May 21st & 22nd. Children must be five (5) years old on or before August 1st to enroll in Kindergarten, if you have not registered your student please call Mrs. Harrington to schedule a screening. Congratulations to Hayley Callihan for being named April's Patriot of the Month.

On May 11th, Chris Rowland a singer/song writer spend the day sharing educational songs with our elementary students. Thank you to Mrs. Shawn Thomas and the PATS Organization for organizing this event.

May Concerts: K-3 was May 4th and 4-6 was May 12th. Both were a success and both were well attended. Thanks to Emily Brinkman and Geneva Price for all their hard work. The kids did an outstanding job.

Kindergarten Muffins for Mom's was held on May 8th. K-2 Field Day was Friday May 15th and 3-6 is Friday. Thanks to Mr. Zac Graham for organizing

Special Olympics were Friday May 15th. We had 19 students successfully complete last Friday. Pre-School Grandparents Day was May 14th and 15th. Very good turnout. Elementary Talent Show is scheduled for May 27^{th.} Thank you to Izzy Roberts, Gifted Coordinator for organizing the talent show. Day at Fifth Third Field is scheduled for May 31st at 2:00 p.m.

Mr. Brad Gray, Athletic director was on hand to discuss the 1st Annual Golf Outing at Beechwood Golf Course May 31st at 1:00p.m. If you would like to enter a team or be a hole sponsor, please contact Mr. Gray at 937-996-1511 or by email at brad_gray@darke.k12.oh.us. Mr. Gray gave an update on spring sports and potential eligibility guideline changes.

Mr. Morris was pleased to announce the sophomore OGT results. ODE requires each district to have an 80% passage rate on each test, and we succeeded in all but one subject areas. The passing percentages are as follows: Writing 82%, Reading 93%, Math 82%, Social Studies 87% (Science 79%).

Friday, May 29th all students in junior high will participate in a science fair. Thank you to Mr. Renfro for organizing this for the students. Mr. Morris distributed the 2015-2016 updated schedule to the Board. Thank you to Mrs. Annette Black, Guidance Counselor for her willingness to update and manage the new eight period schedule.

Mr. Morris briefly discussed the list of activities and events that has taken or will take place on campus.

Mr. Morris attended MVCTC Senior Recognition Ceremony on May 15th at Wright State University.

Mr. Morris was appreciative of the work Mrs. Beth Fisherback, Mrs. Jackie Barnes, Mrs. Dana Heckman and the entire junior class for their efforts for the 2015 Prom. They truly rolled out the red carpet for the students.

Mr. Sagester publically thanked everyone in attendance for joining us for our ground breaking ceremony. "We are ready to see the fruits of our labor", stated Mr. Sagester.

Mr. Sagester wrote a letter of support for Family Health for a grant they are working on for the construction of their medical facility in New Madison.

Thanks to the key club, junior high and high school student council and the administrative teams, we were able to purchase fleece embroidered jackets for the entire staff for staff teacher appreciation week.

Mr. Sagester had the privilege of attending the Full Throttle STEM at Eldora, it is always great to our students excel.

Thank you to Kim Puckett for receiving a check for \$1,500 for her STEM efforts in our District. Mr. Sagester gave a brief update on House Bill 74 on testing updates, he will keep them abreast as changes come down the pike. Mr. Sagester publically thanked Mrs. Shawn Thomas for spearheading our PATS organization. "I truly appreciate her thankless job", stated Mr. Sagester.

"I would like to thank the Alumni Banquet Committee for allowing me to have a small piece in their program. It was nice to meet some past alumni and see how well they have done after graduating from Tri-Village", stated Mr. Sagester.

Other items of interest:

- A. Issued a one year (2015-2016) limited certified contract to Bonita Breining, P-12 Visual Art 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 2015-2016 school year.
- B. Issued a one year (2015-2016) limited certified contract to Sarah Eley, Early Childhood (Grades P-3) Reading P-3 Reading K-12 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 2015-2016 school year.
- C. Issued a one year (2015-2016) limited certified contract to Cindy Munchel, Early Childhood Generalist (4-5) 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 2015-2016 school year.
- D. Accepted the resignation of Kimberly Puckett, Mathematics (7-12) Teacher, effective August 1, 2015.
- E. Accepted the resignation of Noah Welbaum, IT Director, effective May 8, 2015.
- F. Issued a limited contractual contract Noah Welbaum to provide IT work at an hourly rate of \$20.00.
- G. Issued a one year (2015-2016) limited certified part-time contract to Brenda Miller, 7-12 Language Arts Teacher, placed on the salary schedule at the Bachelor 0 year experience salary step.
- H. Approved four extended days for Brenda Miller, Administrative Library duties for the 2015-2016 school year.
- I. Issued a one year (2015-2016) limited supplemental contract to Wanda Roberts, National Honor Society Advisor, Beth Fisherback, Head Junior Class Advisor, Shellie Francis, Senior Class Advisor, Bill Mason, Assistant High School Football Coach, Dave King, Assistant High School Football Coach, Corey Zickefoose, Assistant High School Football Coach, Dale Ary, Volunteer Football Coach, Tracey Brown, Volunteer Football Coach, Mike Hild, Volunteer Football Coach, Tony Mehr, Head Middle School Football Coach, David Barger, Assistant Middle School Football Coach, Eric Burkhart, Head Volleyball Coach. Steve Senour, Assistant Volleyball Coach, Tammy Foreman, 8th Grade Volleyball Coach, Holly Beam, 7th Grade Volleyball Coach.
- K. Approved Lindsey Farrell as a certified substitute (Nurse) for the 2014-2015 school year.
- L. Employed the individuals as summer help.

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- A. Accepted donations.
- B. Approved overnight field trips for high school volleyball and basketball teams to attend summer camps.
- C. Authorized the 2015-2016 membership into the Ohio High School Athletic Association.
- D. Adopted the revision of the five-year forecast for fiscal year 2015, as presented by the Treasurer.
- E. Approved Summer Blended Learning tuition rates
- F. Approved payment to summer blended learning teacher's at a rate of \$100.00 per student.
- G. Approved the FY 2015-2016 salary bases.
- H. Approved the following calamity day alternative make-up plan.
- I. Accepted donations to the Capital Projects Fund to benefit the Outdoor Athletic Complex.
- J. Accepted the following donation to the High School Boys Basketball Team.
- K. Accepted the following donations to Wee Patriot Preschool to benefit Grandparents Day.
- L. Accepted the following donations.
- M. Adopted a resolution to proceed with declaring it necessary to renew a tax levy in excess of the ten mill limitation for the benefit of the New Madison Public Library not to exceed 1.5 Mills.
- N. Adopted the following land use resolution.

Next Board Meeting: Monday June 29, 2015 @ 6:00 p.m. in the board office.