



**Tri-Village Local Schools**  
**School of Excellence**  
Regular Board News Release  
April 15, 2019

The Tri-Village Local School District Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, May 20, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Tim Bevins, Shane Coby, Amy Farmer, Tracy Frech and Tom Schlechty. Administrators attending were Josh Sagester, Kim Chowning, Lee Morris, and Shane Mead. The minutes of the meeting for April 15, 2019 were approved as well as the April 2019 expenditures, current appropriation budget amendments and all financial reports as presented by the Treasurer.

**Elementary Principal's Report:** Mr. Mead reported that all AIR and MAP testing is complete for the 2018-2019 school year. Scores should be received the first of June. He was also happy to report that all current 3<sup>rd</sup> graders passed the third grade reading guarantee. Currently, 37 kindergarten students have registered for the 2019-2020 school year. Their screenings will take place on May 29-30. The District expects more students to enroll throughout the summer months. The Zoo Books Summer Reading Program is a program for at-risk readers who will receive a Zoo magazine once a month over the summer. Mr. Mead thanked Mrs. Pam Heil for continuing this program. Mr. Mead and his team have meet with Fountas & Pinnell to purchase a new K-3 English Language Arts (ELA) curriculum for the next school year. Congratulations to Taylor Wombolt for being selected as the April Patriot of the Month. The Tri-Village Elementary Book Fair will take place May 20-24. Thank you to Heather Richards and Robin Bruner for organizing this event as well as the parent volunteers who help. Kindergarten Muffins for Mom's took place on May 11 and the elementary music programs will be held on May 21. K-2 field day was on May 17 and grades 3-6 will take place on May 25. Mr. Mead thanked Mr. Zac Graham for organizing these events as well as Starbucks for providing coffee drinks to the adults free of charge! Tri-Village Elementary had nineteen students participate in the Special Olympics on May 10. Kindergarten graduation is set for May 28 at 6:00 p.m.

**High School Principal's Report:** Mr. Morris stated that 65 students attempted the ACT test for 2018-2019 school year. A history of test takers since 2012 was shared as well. Many out of classroom education opportunities take place in the month of May. Mr. Morris expressed his appreciation to Jerry Hollinger, Transportation Supervisor, in his efforts to make sure that students were able to go on all field trips that were submitted. There is one safety drill remaining for the school year. The JH/HS 2019-2020 class master schedule is near completion. All grades have been pre-scheduled for next year. Edison Community College will be on campus May 21 and Miami Valley Career Technology Center on May 22 to schedule students. The MVCTC commencement ceremony took place on May 17 and the Council on Rural Services Gateway ACES graduation celebration will be held on May 22. Forty-six members of TV's Class of 2023 traveled to Washington DC May 14-17, 2019. They were fortunate to visit Theodore Roosevelt Island, the Jefferson Memorial, the FDR Memorial, the MLK Jr. Memorial, the National Cathedral, Embassy Row, Library of Congress, US Capitol, Smithsonian Museum of American History, World War II Memorial, Korean War Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, Vietnam Memorial, the FBI J. Edgar Hoover building, US Army Twilight Tattoo, Iwo Jima Memorial, Pentagon Memorial, The White House, and Arlington National Cemetery, where respects were paid to Army Staff Sergeant Wesley Ross Williams of New Carlisle, OH. Mr. Morris shared the following end of year dates: May 8 – Staff Appreciation Lunch, May 13 – Spring Music Banquet, May 23 – Spring Music concert, May 29 – Spring Sports Awards, June 1 – Class of 2019 Commencement at 6:00 p.m. and June 3 – Final day for staff for the 2018-2019 school year.

**Superintendent Report:** Mr. Sagester publically thanked all staff members for what they do for our students and community on a daily basis. He also shared recent agenda items from the Western Ohio Advocacy Network meeting which included legislation on F1 Visas, the budget bill, K-12 public school deregulation, graduation and college credit plus. A facilities and technology five year forecast was provided to the Board members. Mr. Sagester has asked Dale Barger to provide a cost proposal to create and maintain an extracurricular website that would cover activities such as athletics, recognition ceremonies, music programs, field days, etc. The tentative professional development plans for August include the Tri-County Mental Health providing

information on teen mental health basics and a demonstration called “Hidden in Plain Sight.” Other topics include technology integration with Google, Fountas and Pinnell Literacy, data and vertical meetings, and motivation speaker Chad Willett will speak on August 26. The District has received a \$2,500 grant from the Bayer Fund on behalf of the America’s Farmers Grow Communities. Congratulations to Mrs. Joanie Hollinger for writing this grant. Mr. Sagester attended Special Olympics on May 10. “The event was well attended and extremely organized. It was an honor to play a small part in such a large event,” he said. The District will host an Active Shooter training on June 11 and 13. The training will be led by the Darke County Sheriff’s office for all police departments in the county. A discussion took place on the adoption of an alma mater for Tri-Village. Mr. Sagester recently attended an annual legislative meeting at the Miami County ESC. Representatives Jenna Powell and Jay Todd Smith along with Senator Huffman were in attendance. Various legislative topics were discussed. A synopsis of school levies on the May 7 ballot was discussed as well. The State Highway Patrol has inspected and stickered the District’s fleet of buses for the 2019-2020 school year. A job well done by Jerry Hollinger, Transportation Supervisor. Congratulations to the following individuals for induction into the 2018-2019 National Honor Society: Grace Engle, Logan Brooks, Harley Ketring, Andi Bietry, Stevie Wright, Jacob Siegrist and Lucie Morris. On May 2, Mr. Sagester attended the FFA State Convention to observe our FFA students receive many accolades. Cassidy Ditty, Jonathan Crawford, Jared Godown and Maddie Downing received their State FFA degree. Cassidy Ditty was also a state proficiency finalist. Gavin Lochard and Madison Crawford received awards for gold rated officer books. The Charitable Giving award went to Willow Moore. Kate Gross was in the FFA band and Katelyn Hanes in the FFA Chorus. Katelyn was also in the Top 10 for Ohio Talent. Congratulations to Wesley Osborne for being nominated for the 2019 AAA School Safety Patroller of the Year award. Staff attendance awards will be given on June 3. Perfect attendance goes to Kevin Denlinger, Sue Dill, Sharon Frazier, Sheryll Hedger, Lorraine Holzapfel, Jeanette Leugers, Chris Pearson and Hannah Smith. The following individuals took one sick day or less the entire 2018-2019 school year: Heather Brown, Mattie Brewer, Kim Chowning, Brad Gray, Sharon Lipps and Carol Pearson. Longevity service awards will also be handed out on June 3. Kara Graham and Katie Pleiman will receive a 10 year plaque, Kathy Harris a 15 year plaque, Cheryl Purdy and Kim Chowning a 20 year plaque and Theresa Graham, Dee Hunt and Heather Richards a 25 year plaque. An updated facility and technology summer projects list was shared. On April 23, Shoes for the Shoeless gave out over 150 pairs of shoes to Tri-Village students and the organization gave out their 90,000<sup>th</sup> pair of shoes in our auditorium. Special thanks to the following individuals for helping with the distribution of these shoes: Mr. Slone and FFA students, Coach Burk and football players, Eric Burns and Tri-Village Rescue, Tony Price and several Cedar Grove members, members of the Triumphant Christian Center, Gateway and volunteers of the organization. The Tri-Village Alumni held its annual banquet on May 18 and honored the classes of 1944, 1969, 1994 and 2019. The last day for seniors is May 24. The Spring Sports Award Banquet will be held on May 29. Junior high league meet highlights are as follows: Justin Finkbine (1<sup>st</sup> 110m hurdles, 1<sup>st</sup> 200m hurdles and 1<sup>st</sup> High Jump), Reed Wehr (2<sup>nd</sup> 100m dash), Torie Richards (1<sup>st</sup> 200 hurdles), and Loryn Metzcar (1<sup>st</sup> Girls Discus). The high school league meet highlights are as follows: Austin Bruner (1<sup>st</sup> 100m dash, 1<sup>st</sup> 400m dash and 1<sup>st</sup> 200m dash), Layne Sarver (4<sup>th</sup> High Jump), Maria Petry (1<sup>st</sup> Long Jump), Lissa Siler (2<sup>nd</sup> Long Jump), Meredith Butsch (2<sup>nd</sup> High Jump), Maddie Bennett (3<sup>rd</sup> Shot Put) and Harley Ketring ( 4<sup>th</sup> 800m run). Regional qualifiers are Austin Bruner in the 100, 200 and 400 meter, Layne Sarver in the high jump and Maria Petry in both the long jump and high jump.

The following motions were voted upon by the Board of Education members:

**PERSONNEL**

- A. Employ Colton Linkous, Lorraine Holzapfel, Kathryn Osborne, Merilee Beisner, and Christy Sarver as summer help.
- B. Employ Trey Frech as summer help.
- C. Accept the resignation of Jeff Judy, Adolescence to Young Adult (7-12) Integrated Social Studies Teacher, effective July 31, 2019.
- D. Issue a one year (2019-2020) limited supplemental contract to the following individuals:

National Honor Society Advisor	Jonna Raffel
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IAT (Intervention Assistance Team) Chairman - Grades 7-12	Kathryn Pleiman
Yearbook Advisor	Shaughn Bingham

- E. Issue a one year (2019-2020) limited supplemental contract to the following individuals, pending the issuance of a valid Ohio coaching certification/license, and all other requirements as set forth by the Ohio Department of Education and the Ohio High School Athletic Association:

Head Boys Basketball Coach	Bobby Jones
Assistant Boys Basketball Coach	Thorin Stage

#### NEW BUSINESS

- A. Adopt a resolution approving entrance into the Western Ohio Athletic Conference effective at the start of the 2021-2022 school year.
- B. Accept the following donations.
  - 1. \$100.00 from the Ohio Energy Project to the Elementary Principals Fund.
  - 2. \$1,000.00 from Shelley Dottillis to High School Band Fund.
  - 3. \$1,000.00 from Charles Koneval to High School Band Fund.
- C. Approve the updated/revised board policy 6320 – Purchasing and Bidding.
- D. Approve overnight field trips for high school volleyball and basketball teams to attend 2019 summer camps.
- E. Adopt the revision of the five-year forecast for fiscal year 2019.
- F. Approve for graduation those members of the class of 2019 pending completion of all State and Local requirements.
- G. Enter into a contracted services agreement between the Council on Rural Service Programs, Inc. (CORS) and Tri-Village Local School District (Tri-Village). CORS agrees to provide social service support (Gateway Services) to at-risk children as identified by Tri-Village and Tri-Village agrees to pay CORS the costs associated with the Gateway service for forty (40) weeks, approximately twenty-nine (29) hours weekly, beginning August 26, 2019 through May 22, 2020.
- H. Approve a memorandum of understanding with the Recovery and Wellness Centers of Midwest Ohio to provide a Mental Health Therapist one day a week during the 2019-2020 school year at no cost to the district.
- I. Approve the New Madison Public Library’s 2020 budget.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** The Board of Education adjourned to executive session at 7:40 p.m. and exited at 8:27 p.m. pursuant to ORC Section 121.22 (G)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee or official and pursuant to ORC Section 121.22 (G)(2) to consider the sale of personal property.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- J. Approve the FY 2019-2020 salary base for each of the following positions: Superintendent, Treasurer, Elementary and High School Principal, Assistant to the Treasurer, EMIS Coordinator/Administrative Assistant, Executive Administrative Assistant, Facilities Operations Supervisor, Food Service Supervisor, Transportation Supervisor, Technology Coordinator and School Nurse.
- K. Board of Education adopt the resolution authorizing the public sale of property owned by the Board to Bob Fiste at 410 East Wayne Street.

#### COMMUNICATIONS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

Mrs. Chowning requested that the Board of Education members plan to arrive at 5:45 for the June board meeting as the District will hold a public hearing for its Special Education federal funds. She also informed the members that she is working with Greenville Federal to invest in the CDAR’s program. A Board Retreat will be held on July 29 during the regularly scheduled meeting.

Mr. Sagester shared the initial preliminary design produced by Garmann-Miller in regards to the possibility of a building expansion project and a proposal from Choice One Engineering for water detention and drainage analysis. Discussion took place on these matters amongst the members.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.