



Tri-Village Local Schools
Board News Release

The Tri-Village Local School District Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, September 17, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Tim Bevins, Shane Coby, Amy Farmer, Tracy Frech and Tom Schlechty. Josh Sagester, Kim Chowning, Lee Morris and Shane Mead were in attendance as well. The minutes of the regular meeting for August 27, 2018 were approved. The members also approved the August 2018 expenditures, current appropriation budget amendments and all financial reports as presented by the Treasurer.

Elementary Principal: Mr. Mead received positive feedback from both staff and parents on the smooth start to the school year. There were also encouraging comments from staff on the August professional development days. The teacher led lessons seemed to be the most beneficial for the staff. Mr. Mead publically stated that he was very proud of the elementary staff and students for their accomplishments as highlighted in the Local Report Card results. The following Title I staff members will be providing after school intervention services in the near future: Jayne Weaver, Alexis Hartzell, Jennifer Pierre and Stephanie Baumgardner. As of September 17, 408 students were enrolled in the elementary. The fall MAP and growth testing was finished up the week of September 17. Mr. Mead gave an update on the third grade reading guarantee and was happy to report that the number of RIMP's (reading intervention monitoring plans) are down from previous years. Mr. Mead has begun staff observations with the first round of walk through's completed. The New Madison Fire department will host their annual fire prevention program with the elementary students on October 11. Mr. Mead will work with his PBIS team to implement the revised processes in October. This years' elementary building leadership team includes the following staff members: Kelsey Keen, Leslie Doppler, Mattie Brewer, Karen Bietry, Lindsay Bergman, Sarah Drew, Cindy Munchel, Debra Harvey, Angie Thomas and Abbi O'Donnell. The annual 1st to 6th grade fundraiser kickoff took place on September 7. A parent survey was distributed to parents requesting input on 14 items. Overall, 99% of those who completed the survey strongly agreed/agreed with the statements presented to them.

High School Principal: Mr. Morris praised John Lay, IT Coordinator, for his efforts in distributing 315 chromebooks and educating students and parents on the use of chromebooks. Principal Morris shared that he would be submitting a five year forecast for textbook and instructional needs to the Central Office. The first round of MAP testing for 7th and 8th graders is completed. Testing was much easier with the use of chromebooks and WIFI functioning at more capacity. The first District fire drill took place on September 5 and additional required drills are tentatively scheduled for the remainder of the school year. 380 students are enrolled in the high school including 10 Gateway, 30 MVCTC and 24 Edison students. Student ambassadors from MVCTC visited the District's sophomores on September 12. Eighth grade students will visit CTC on December 8. The District collaborates with the Darke County Educational Service Center staff members for special services; Bill Nellis, Lisa Guiffre and Jodi Rinehart are special education contacts, Mike Corcoran technology and April Hoying curriculum. As part of the Darke County Center of the Arts, Arts in Education program, junior high students will visit Memorial Hall on September 20 and high school students on November 12. There will be a senior career concert at Eldora Speedway on October 3 and sophomores will participate in National Manufacturing Day on October 5 at Ramco Motors. Both of these events are sponsored by Darke County Economic Development. Homecoming spirit week begins with the Clash of the Classes on September 18 and ends with the dance on Saturday, September 22 at 8:00 p.m. Parent-Teacher conferences will be held October 16 and 18 from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. The Veteran's Day breakfast will be held Friday, November 9. Mr. Morris presented plans for the upcoming prom in May under the supervision of Ms. Christina Guterrez and Mrs. Samantha Bialowas. The Tri-Village community is excited to participate in Thursday Night Lights sponsored by Fox 45. We will travel to Twin Valley South for this experience, kickoff will be at 7:00 p.m. on October 4.

Superintendent Report: Mr. Sagester informed the board members that the elementary staff are concluding their local assessment period. All vendor approved and diagnostic assessments must be completed and reported by September 30. The District's waiver day will take place on September 24. Staff will receive

Google training and state and local assessment data will be reviewed on this day. Superintendent Sagester was happy to report that over 220 families attended the District's 1:1 presentation in August and staff are already introducing at least one technology lesson per week. John Lay, IT Coordinator, will attend the October board meeting to discuss technology updates. The September Patriot Pulse and August Miami Valley CTC minutes were shared with the members. CGI Communications was on campus to shoot video at the end of August. The video editing process generally will take 5 – 6 weeks. It will then be proofed and revised if necessary. The video will be displayed on the Darke County Commissioner's website to highlight education in Darke County schools as well as the District's website. In early September, the District was able to secure another five year Coca Cola contract. Mr. Sagester shared the results from the 2017-2018 Local Report Card (LRC). He is most proud of the gap closing component which shows how well schools are meeting the performance expectations for our most vulnerable population. The elementary received an A rating and a B in the high school; up from an F in school year 2016-2017. Tri-Village was only one of seven school districts in the Channel 7 viewing area with a 100% graduation rate! Both the elementary and the high school received a building overall grade of B as well as an overall District grade of a B. The District is in the top 35% of all school districts in the State based on the overall LRC grade. The maintenance department is paying close attention to the chiller unit as it is approximately 17 years old. In a year or two, it may need to be replaced. The donation wall at the football plaza has been completed and the picnic tables and umbrellas have arrived and are set up at the plaza area as well. The cross county conference league is reviewing a basic template prepared by athletic directors on how to handle a league school(s) who cancel their Football season or cannot complete their season due to low numbers of players. There will be additional discussion on this topic at the next meeting on September 19. Mr. Sagester was happy to announce that the junior high boys cross country team won the CC invitational at Mississinawa Valley on September 15. Finally, Superintendent Sagester thanked the community members and various emergency personnel for their help with the placement of the sand bags at the football fieldhouse and the surrounding area on Arnold Street due to the heavy rains recently.

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

PERSONNEL

- A. Accept the resignation of Brenda Miller, Librarian, effective December 18, 2018.
- B. Issue a one year (2018-2019) limited supplemental contract to the following 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 Baseball Coach	Jim Maples
Assistant Baseball Coach	Josh Davies
Head High School Boys Track Coach	Scott Warren
Head High School Girls Track Coach	Christy Sarver
Junior High Boys Track Coach	Rick McCollum
Junior High Girls Track Coach	Julia Bell

- C. Employ the following as classified substitutes for the 2018-2019 school year.

Custodial	Library	MH Aide
Ronda Rexrode <i>(Retro-active to 8/28/2018)</i>	Elizabeth Jewell Towery <i>(Retro-Active 9/10/2018)</i>	Dottie Denniston
		Erin Ayyette

- D. Approve Chris Pearson, site manager for FY2019, at a rate of \$50.00 per home baseball and softball games to be paid from the athletic fund.
- E. Issue a one year (2018-2019) limited supplemental contract to the following.

Jonna Raffel	Freshman Class Advisor
Beth Fisherback	Sophomore Class Advisor

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Accept the following donation:
 - 1. \$944.11 from Webb Noonan Kidd Funeral Home (In Memory of Rose Willis) to the Football Fund
- B. Approve the FY2019 Five Year Forecast.
- C. Agree to pay April Worley \$200.00 per month for transportation fees for the 2018-2019 school year.
- D. Approve the 2019 High School Prom to take place on B & B Riverboats located at 101 Riverboat Row, Newport, Kentucky on May 4, 2019, under the direction of Ms. Christina Gutierrez, Junior Class Advisor and Mrs. Samantha Bialowas, Assistant Junior Class Advisor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board of Education adjourned to executive session at 7:30 p.m. and exited at 8:12 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.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.