

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

The Tri-Village Board of Education met on Monday, May 19, 2014 at 6:00 in the board office. Mrs. Kimberly Chowning summarized the 5-year forecast.

Mr. Shane Mead, Elementary Principal congratulated both Mrs. Wanda Roberts, 4th grade Teacher and Mr. Matt Harman, 5th grade Math Teacher for earning the vacancies in the district for the 2014-2015 school year.

Mr. Mead was pleased to report that MAP Testing has been completed for the 2013-2014 school year. ODE has approved MAP as an alternative test for the third grade reading guarantee. The cut score for this assessment is now a 181.

Currently we have 51 students registered for Kindergarten. All Kindergarten teachers, Mr. Graham, and selected title coaches have been KRA trained so we will be prepared in August to give this assessment.

For the 2014-2015 school year we are implementing a minimum of 30 minutes weekly in grades K-2 and 45 minutes weekly in grades 3-6 for technology to help prepare for PARCC. "If a second grade student is expected to type out a sentence for the PARCC, we need to get them in front of the computer with keyboard training", stated Mr. Mead.

Elementary Summer School is being offered from June 2-16, 2014 for 30 selected second and third grade students for free, however as of today only two students have registered. Thank you to Mrs. Jayne Weaver and Mrs. Eu-Det Crawford for volunteering to teach summer school.

The week of May 19th Mrs. April Wulber from the Darke County ESC was on campus to provide professional development for our staff on student learning objectives.

Mr. Mead was happy to announce Tagen Blankenship was the April Patriot of the Month. Mrs. Shawn Thomas and the PATS organization organized an author visit on May 14th. Herman Parish, the author of Amelia Bedelia came and spend the day with the elementary students. The K-3 concert was again a huge success. The

kids did an outstanding job.

Mr. Lee Morris, congratulated Gage Berghoff and Casey Puckett on their superior rating (Team Project Category). They received the university of Dayton Scholarship in Science or Engineering, \$2,000 each, renewable for an additional three years.

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 subject areas. The passing percentages are as follows: Writing 93%, Reading 98%, Math 87%, Social Studies 92% and Science 80%. A total of 60 sophomores took the test back in March.

Mr. Morris introduced the language arts department summer reading project. Students will be reading <u>The House on Mango Street</u> by Sandra Cisneros. The New Madison Public Library will host breakfast meetings over the summer to discuss the book.

Students will be able to earn college credit from Sinclair and IU East next year. Mrs. Barnes, Mrs. Miller, and Mrs. Puckett will teach advanced college placement courses through Indiana University East; and Mrs. Harris, Mr. Maples, Mr. Pohlman and Mr. Renfro will teach dual enrollment courses through Sinclair Community College.

Students participated in the Full throttle STEM day at Eldora Speedway. The Air Force Research Laboratory's Gaming Research Integration for Learning Laboratory (GRILL<sup>TM</sup>) in collaboration with Eldora Speedway Inc. and Tri-Village Schools hosted its 2nd Annual Full Throttle STEM at Eldora Day, at Eldora Speedway in Rossburg, Ohio.

This year's prom was a huge success. Congratulations to Tyler Cook and Lexie Bruner for being crowned king and queen and Colton Linkous and Raya Mikesell for being crowned prince and princess.

Mr. Josh Sagester, Superintendent started off by praising the entire certified and classified staff for the job they do for the students in our district. For appreciation week, the administrative team planned a luncheon to award the staff.

Mr. Sagester was contacted by Family Health in Greenville to write a letter of support regarding bringing a family physician to New Madison.

Mr. Sagester was honored to be a part of the Darke County Special Olympics. It went outstanding for our students and staff who participated or helped out with events. This is always a great day for our students and our district. "It was a great honor to help pass out ribbons to the students", stated Mr. Sagester.

Mrs. Puckett took a group of eight students to visit and tour RAMCO Motors in Greenville. This is another example of attempting to strengthen our affiliation with local manufacturing organizations.

Mr. Sagester would like to thank Mrs. Puckett and Mr. Morris for spearheading the Full Throttle STEM Day at Eldora Speedway. Students from Mississinawa Valley, Ansonia, Versailles, Tri-County North, St. Henry and New Bremen took place with remote control cars they designed this year.

We have students setting the bar across the country. Last year Jonathan Crawford won The Math Moves U Challenge, and this year we have two students in the finals. There is a total of only seven finalists from across the country, and two of them are from Tri-Village. Good luck to Macy Schepis and Aubrey Morris.

Mr. Sagester discussed the Ohio High School Athletic Association news release regarding competitive balance. This will become effective for the 2016-2017 school year. This would be for the following sports: basketball, baseball, volleyball and softball. Your previous academic year will determine your division for the following school year. This is how the OHSAA will try to even the playing field.

The 2014 Commencement is set for Saturday, May 31, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. The class of 2014 valedictorian's are Heather and Rachel Ferris, they are the daughters of Rick and Lois Ferris. They both plan on attending IU East in the fall. Heather's field of study is accounting and Rachel is undecided. The 2class of 2014 salutatorian is Justin Royer, he is the son of Richard and Jo Lynn Royer. Justin earned his Associates of Applied Science Degree from Edison Community College during his junior and senior year. His future plans after graduating high school are undecided.

Mr. Sagester wanted to publically thank the PATS organization and Mrs. Shawn Thomas for what they do for our district and students. During the month of May they organized the author visit, pizza bingo and the book fair. He went on to thank Barb Cox Baker, Bruce Burke, Joyce Harrison, Stephanie Burke and Monyca Schlechty for spearheading the 2014 Alumni Banquet. Thank you to Mrs. Price and Miss Venneman for directing the spring concerts. He concluded by wishing the boys baseball team good luck in the sectional final against Bethel. Congratulations to following athletes.

# CCC Track Meet

- Alisha Hollinger 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the 300 Meter Hurdles
- Keenan Fraylick 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the 3200
- Heather Ferris 6<sup>th</sup> place in the 400
- Olivai MtCastle 6<sup>th</sup> place in the 3200
- Jacob Wiford 6<sup>th</sup> place in the 3200

# Next Board Meeting: Monday June 30, 2014 @ 6:00 p.m. in the board office.

### <u>Other Items of Interest:</u>

# PERSONNEL

- A. Employ Kayla Linkous as a classified substitute (Wee Patriot Preschool) for the 2013-2014 school year effective May 13, 2014.
- B. Issue a one year (2014-2015) limited supplemental contract to Dawn Reed, Senior Class Advisor.
- C. Issue a one year (2014-2015) limited supplemental contract to Rachel Laux, Drama Club Advisor.
- D. Issue a one year (2014-2015) limited certified contract to Matthew Harman, Middle Childhood 4-9 Mathematics/Reading/Social Studies 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.
- E. Issue a one year (2014-2015) limited certified contract to Wanda Roberts, Early Childhood (P-3), 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 2014-2015 school year.

- F. Accept with thanks the resignation of Dave Brewer, Bus Driver, effective July 31, 2014, for the purpose of retirement.
- G. Accept the resignation of Ryan Buck, part-time custodian, effective May 2, 2014
- H. Issue a one year (2014-2015) 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.
- I. Approve four extended days for Brenda Miller, Administrative Library duties for the 2014-2015 school year.
- J. Approve to issue a classified contract to Carol Pearson, (8:00-Noon) MD Aide, for the 2014-2015 school year.
- K. Hire Scott Gravatt as the Medical/First Aid Trainer for the OHSAA Baseball Sectional Tournament.
- L. Hire Brad Gray, Scott Warren and Chris Pearson as Game Personnel for the OHSAA Baseball Sectional Tournament.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- A. Approve the Certificate of Completion of the Exceptional Needs Program Project Agreement.
- B. Approve the Tri-Village Athletic Department Payment Agreement Contract for advertisement panels as recommended by the Athletic Director.
- C. Accept the following donations.
- D. Approve overnight field trips for high school volleyball and basketball teams to attend summer camps.
- E. Authorize the 2014-2015 membership into the Ohio High School Athletic Association.
- F. Approve the increased school lunch fees to be \$2.40 for grades K-2, and \$2.45 for grades 3-12, \$2.70 for ala carte lunch, and \$2.80 for adults, and \$0.50 for milk, main entrée ala carte items \$2.05, breakfast for all grades \$1.75.
- G. Adopt the revision of the five-year forecast for fiscal year 2014, as presented by the Treasurer.
- H. Approve Summer School Title I Intervention hours for June 2, 2014 June 16, 2014 at 2 hours a day, with an hourly rate of \$24.83.
- I. Approve Summer Blended Learning tuition rates.
- J. Approve payment to summer blended learning teacher's at a rate of \$100.00 per student.
- K. Approve the establishment of Fund 300 SPCC (Special Cost Center) 9800, a fund used to account for revenues and expenditures related to the High School Girls Basketball season and off-season programs.
- L. Approve the establishment of Fund 300 SPCC (Special Cost Center) 9900, a fund used to account for revenues and expenditures related to the High School Girls Volleyball season and off-season programs.
- M. Approve the establishment of Fund 022 SPCC (Special Cost Center) 9214, a fund used to account for revenues and expenditures related to the District hosting OHSAA tournaments.
- N. Approve board policy 0160.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

#### NEW BUSINESS

- O. Approve wages and language of the Negotiated Agreement between the Board and Tri-Village Education Association for July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017.
- P. Approve wages and language for the period of July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2017 of the Negotiated Agreement between the Board and Ohio Association of Public School Employees Chapter #483 AFSCME, AFL-CIO.
- Q. Approve the FY 2014-2015 salary base for each of the following positions: Superintendent/Principals, Treasurer, Assistant to the Treasurer, Bus Mechanic, EMIS Coordinator/Administrative Assistant, Executive Administrative Assistant, Facilities Operations Supervisor, Food Service Supervisor