

Tri-Village Local Schools

The Tri-Village Local School District Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, December 9, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present: Tim Bevins, Tracy Frech, Tom Schlechty, and Justin Spencer. Darin Dubbs was absent from the meeting.

The amended minutes of the regular meeting on November 18, 2024, were approved.

Elementary Principal's Report: Emily Kappel from Kappel Consulting will be back on campus during the early release day on December 11 to continue working with the Math department. Emily will be sharing a basketball data analytics unit with staff members and lessons will be based on students asking questions, exploring, visualizing, and making decisions with data inside basketball. All the information needed for this data analytics unit is in videos made by Stanford basketball players. During the early release, the curriculum team will meet to discuss the pros and cons of HMH and McGraw Hill to get closer to deciding on new curriculum as required by the State and intervention specialists will be participating in Read & Write professional development. Read & Write are the new guidelines for the Ohio State Test pertaining to student accommodations. Tri-Village is number one in the county with 76% of our students scoring 263 or above on the Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA)! CogAT has been completed in the fifth grade and the third grade ELA State testing results have been received. Third grade scores are lower than compared to previous years. Mr. Mead has met with his teachers to produce a plan to address this concern. There was a great turnout for second grade Grandparents Day on November 26. Congratulations to the following students who were selected as November Patriots of the Month: Sadie Bourne (PK), Wade Hesson (KG), Oliver Meyer (1st), Ellie Hileman (2nd), Gauge Edwards (3rd), Megan Blackford (4th), Andrew Wyne (5th), and Taylor Wombolt (6th). As part of PBIS, the elementary office will begin passing out positive office visit certificates for those students being recognized as respectful, responsible, ready, helpful, a good friend, kind, and hardworking.

High School Principal's Report: During the early release day on December 11, Nurse Jodi will be providing medical response team training and Darke County ESC staff will provide demo training for the Read & Write curriculum. The end of course mid-year testing began today, December 9, with Algebra I, ELA II will be administered on December 10, and Biology on December 11. Mr. Morris is purchasing, through IXL Learning, online interventions in the areas of ELA, math, science, social studies, and foreign languages for his JH/HS students. Mrs. Burns, ELA teacher, will be holding mock interviews for her 11th grade students at the New Madison Public Library. Mr. Morris, Mr. Eric Burns, and an associate from Anderson Ethanol will be assisting in the interview process. Morris stated that Mrs. Burns does a nice job setting up this day. The High School Student Council and National Honor Society held a Community Dinner on December 8. Thank you to Beth Fisherback and Heather Stump for spearheading this event. Amanda Dyson is the district's Family Advocate, and she has been working with Adopt-A-Family sponsors including Big Brothers and Big Sisters, Greenville Technology, and Whirlpool. Mr. Morris shared his appreciation for the duties that Heather Brown provides as the district's crossing guard.

Superintendent's Report: Mr. Sagester shared with the board members the 2025-2026 school calendar draft. He stated that both the building administrators and the TVEA are pleased with the draft. Sagester reiterated the Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA) results as being a positive achievement for staff and students. April Hoying from the Darke County ESC will be on campus in December on two separate occasions to discuss Value Added data with each teacher. Mr. Mead has posted another Title I position due to fiscal year 2024 carryover money. Mr. Sagester thanked Ms. Heather Bergman, gifted teacher, for preparing and disseminating newsletters which keep staff updated regarding gifted students. Mr. Coby, Transportation Supervisor, had bus inspections recently and the State Highway Patrol passed all buses! The district is solidifying the completion of the track updates regarding equipment and movement of various events in preparation for the upcoming WOAC track meet in the spring. New goal posts for the football stadium have been ordered and will be installed in early April. On December 23, the athletic department will be hosting a "Night of Champions" honoring the 2015 State basketball team and 1985 softball team. Mr. Sagester shared the junior high and high school boys' and girls' basketball records at this juncture in the season. He also shared All Ohio football accolades for the following

athletes: First team Trey Sagester (QB) and Lane Bierly (DB), Second team Griffin Richards (WR) and Kaeden Lipps (LB), and Third team Dom Black (OL).

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

PERSONNEL CONSIDERATIONS

- 1. Recommendation to approve the monthly employment of substitute teachers for the 2024-2025 school year as submitted and updated monthly by the Darke County Educational Service Center.
- 2. Recommendation to approve a resolution for employment of substitute teachers.
- 3. Recommendation to approve a resolution for employee resignations.
- 4. Recommendation to non-renew all (2024-2025) supplemental contracts at the end of their season.
- 5. Recommendation to issue a one year (2025-2026) limited supplemental contract to Brad Gray, Athletic Director
- 6. Recommendation to employ the following as classified substitutes for the 2024-2025 school year:
 - Hannah Markley, retro-active to December 3, 2024
 - Heidi Brinley, retro-active to November 22, 2024
 - Kelsie Gilmore

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 1. Recommendation to approve financial reports as submitted by the Treasurer.
- 2. Recommendation to recognize the updated Ohio State minimum wage of \$10.70 per hour, effective January 1, 2025.
- 3. Recommendation to accept the following donations:

Donor	Account	Amount	Purpose
Darke County Center for the Arts	Art Club	\$ 500.00	
Dudley and Sharon Lipps	Athletics	\$ 4,000.00	
Miami Valley CTC	HS Principal	\$ 1,600.00	
Cedar Grove Church	HS Student Council	\$ 100.00	Community Christmas Dinner
John and Jessica Lay	HS Student Council	\$ 100.00	Community Christmas Dinner
Sollazzo Auto	HS Student Council	\$ 100.00	Community Christmas Dinner
Snack Shop	JH Cheer	\$ 200.00	
New Paris Area Chamber of Commerce	Key Club	\$ 150.00	

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Recommendation to appoint Tom Schlechty President Pro Tem for the annual organizational meeting on January 13, 2025, beginning at 5:45 p.m. to reside over the meeting until board officers for 2025 have been elected, as recommended by the Superintendent. (Budget meeting to begin at 6:00 p.m. Public Hearing for the District Calendar to begin at 6:15 p.m. and Regular Board meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m.)
- 2. Recommendation to approve an overnight field trip for select FFA members to attend the Ohio FFA state contest in Delaware, Ohio from December 13-14, 2024, under the direction of Mr. Justin Slone.
- 3. Recommendation to approve new, revised, and rescinded board policies.
- 4. Recommendation to approve the Emergency Response/Medical Emergency Team Plan.

Mr. Schlechty adjourned the meeting at 6:54 p.m.