



## Tri-Village Local Schools

The Tri-Village Local School District Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, February 28, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present: Tim Bevins, Shane Coby, Darin Dubbs, Tracy Frech, and Tom Schlechty. Josh Sagester, Kim Chowning, Shane Mead, and Lee Morris were present as well as Heather Brown, community member.

The minutes for the regular meeting held on January 5, 2022, and special meeting held on January 12, 2022, were approved.

**Elementary Principal's Report:** Mr. Mead shared a tentative April and May state testing calendar. He also stated that the second round of OTES evaluations are under way with the goal of completing them by April 1. Winter MAP testing is finished. The elementary school has achieved 85% toward their goal of 100% of students reaching a year's worth of growth. Another round of MAP testing will occur in May (Spring testing). Lisa Giuffre from the Darke County ESC will be on campus to meet with the District's Intervention Specialists on March 1 to review state testing compliance. Congratulations to Mrs. Karen Bietry on receiving the honor of Teacher of the Year! Also, congratulations to Maggie Bohn for being chosen as the January Patriot of the Month. February's "Lunch with the Principal" will be held on March 4. Parent/teacher conferences were held on February 22 and 24 with a great turnout of parents as always.

**High School Principal's Report:** Mr. Morris distributed an end of course testing calendar. This testing will occur in the library; sixty-five students can now be tested in the library at one time. Algebra I and ELA II are now the only required tests for Class of 2023 and beyond. Mid-year end of course test results were shared for ELA II, Algebra I, Geometry, Biology, American Government, and American History. Mrs. Davis's Zoology visited Newport Aquarium on February 16. Eighty-two students are scheduled to take the ACT test on campus on March 1 from 8:00 a.m. to noon. Mr. Morris is midway through his second round of OTES evaluations; deadline is April 15. Eight of thirteen drills have been completed for the school year. The next drill will be held on March 18 at 10:30 a.m. Josh Haney from the Department of Homeland Security will be present for the drill. The district continues to collaborate with the Miami Valley Career Technology Center. Eighteen sophomores have applied to attend CTC for the 2022-2023 school year. The eighth-grade class trip to the CTC was cancelled on February 24 due to a calamity day. This trip should be rescheduled soon. Mrs. Cook and Mrs. Brummett are finalizing plans for the prom to be held on May 7 at the Fort Piqua Plaza. Graduation for the Class of 2022 will take place on Friday, May 27.

**Superintendent Report:** The CDC has issued new guidance that the wearing of masks is now optional on school buses. There are no staff or student cases of COVID on campus. Construction is underway for the Patriot Early Learning Center and Patriot Activity Center. The week of February 14, the foundation was prepped and poured for the ELC; week of February 21, the ELC was framed, and the masonry fire wall started; week of February 28, prepare the stone building pad for the PAC, and the week of March 7 the PAC foundation will be poured. The brick selection was chosen recently and will match the current building very well! A bio-channel star floor system was selected for the PAC flooring system which is a combination of anchored and floating systems with exceptional shock absorption, ball bounce, vibration damping, and great load bearing. Maple grade 1 was selected for the floor which will offer fewer character marks to provide a clean, uniform appearance. Current BASA updates can be found at the following link: <https://basa-ohio.org/week-in-review/>. Mrs. Jordan Renfro, Junior High MD teacher, has chosen to brand her classroom to be recognized as "Milestones and Dreams." Mr. Sagester appreciated Mrs. Renfro's creativity and thoughtfulness in rebranding her classroom. The Valedictorian/National Honor Society wall should be completed within the next week. The Spring bus inspection is complete with a perfect score of 9/9! The state highway patrolman will be back to complete the rest of the fleet later. Regarding transportation, Tri-Village has received a grant of \$180,000 to purchase four (\$45,000 per bus) new buses. Two buses will be purchased this fiscal year and two next fiscal year. The girls' basketball team will play in the regional semifinal game against Danville on March 3 at 6:00 p.m. The regional final game is scheduled for Saturday at 1:00 p.m. The following are the post season team accolades for the girl's team: WOAC honors include Brad Gray as Coach of the Year; Rylee Sagester Player of the Year; 1<sup>st</sup> team Morgan Hunt and Meghan Downing; 2<sup>nd</sup> team Tori Richards; and Delaney Gray special mention. Congratulation to Rylee Sagester for receiving Player of the Year in District 9 and Meghan Downing and Morgan Hunt receiving 1<sup>st</sup> team honors in District 9. The boys' basketball team plays in Districts on March 1 at 5:00 p.m. at UD against Fayetteville-Perry with the regional semi to be played on March 8 and regional

finals on March 11. The following are the post season team accolades for the boy's team: WOAC honors include Josh Sagester as Coach of the Year; Layne Sarver Player of the Year; 1<sup>st</sup> team Wilson Suggs and Josh Scantland; 2<sup>nd</sup> team Dalton DeLong and Justine Finkbine; and Jason Hale special mention. Congratulation to Layne Sarver and Wilson Suggs for receiving 1<sup>st</sup> team honors in District 9. Layne Sarver and Josh Scantland will also play in the district 9 All Star game. Coach Brewer has resigned as the head volleyball coach. Thus, the position has been posted. First round interviews will begin next week for the head football coach position. Congratulations to Coach Brown and the powerlifters for a job well done at their home meet on February 18. The boys team placed first, and the girls team placed second.

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 2021-2022 school year as submitted and updated monthly by the Darke County Educational Service Center.
2. Recommendation to employ the following as classified substitutes for the 2021-2022 school year. (All Aide substitutes must have an active Educational Aide Student Monitor Permit issued from the Ohio Department of Education.)
  - Justin Jay, School Bus Driver
  - Natasha Balthis, Classroom Aide
3. Recommendation to accept with thanks the resignation of Teresa Light, Bus Driver, effective January 31, 2022.
4. Request approval of one year (2021-2022) limited supplemental contracts 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.
  - Assistant Baseball Coach – Justin Slone
  - Volunteer Assistant Baseball Coach – Joshua Gore
5. Recommendation to issue a partial one year (2021-2022) classified contract to Mark Cooley, Bus Driver, effective February 28, 2022.

### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

1. Recommendation to approve the Financial Reports as presented.
2. Recommendation to accept the following donations:
  - \$300.00 from Kiwanis Club of New Madison to the Chorus fund
  - \$300.00 from Kiwanis Club of New Madison to the Band fund
  - \$500.00 from Kiwanis Club of New Madison to the Elementary Principal fund
  - \$500.00 from Kiwanis Club of New Madison to the Archery fund
  - \$500.00 from Kiwanis Club of New Madison to the Key Club
  - \$5,000.00 from Mr. Michael Homan, Wayne Builders Supply, to the Capital Projects fund
  - \$75.00 from American Legion Unit 245 to the Elementary Principal fund
  - \$400.00 from the Darke County Center for the Arts to the Art Club
  - \$500.00 from GMT Roofing to the Capital Improvement General Fund
  - \$450.00 from Laux Seed Solutions LLC to the Capital Improvement General fund
  - \$450.00 from Laux Seed Solutions LLC to the Athletic Fund
  - \$450.00 from Flory's to the Capital Improvement General fund
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  - \$450.00 from Red Front Inn, Inc. to the Capital Improvement General fund
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  - \$450.00 from Bell Family Grain Farms, LLC. to the Capital Improvement General fund
  - \$450.00 from Bell Family Grain Farms, LLC. to the Athletic Fund
  - \$500.00 in-kind donation from Greenville Lodge of Elks No. 1139 (school supplies)
3. Consider for approval amending a resolution that authorized the issuance of certificates of participation for the purpose of constructing, improving, furnishing, and equipping school facilities; and authorizing and approving related matters.

4. Recommendation authorizing the appropriation of money from the General Fund of the school district for the purpose of the optional prepayment of the outstanding principal balance of the school district's amended and restated lease-purchase agreement entered into through the OASBO Expanded Asset Pooled Financing program, plus payment of interest accrued to the date of prepayment and any additional payments due under such lease agreement; and authorizing and approving related matters.
5. Recommendation to approve a depository agreement with the Farmers State Bank from August 17, 2021, through August 17, 2026, with The Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati acting as the safe keeper.

#### **NEW BUSINESS CONSIDERATIONS**

1. Recommendation to approve the 2022-2023 school calendar.
2. Recommendation to authorize the 2022-2023 membership into the Ohio High School Athletic Association.
3. Recommendation to approve an overnight field trip for the high school cheerleaders to participate in the high school state OASSA competition held at Pickerington High School in Columbus, OH from February 26-27, 2022, under the direction of Mrs. Danielle Bourne and Mrs. Kara Wilson.

**Executive Session** - The Board of Education adjourned to executive session 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. Time in 7:08 and time out 7:32.

#### **Communications and Items of Interest –**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.