

Tri-Village Local Schools

The Tri-Village Local School District Board of Education held its 2023 organizational meeting on Wednesday, January 4, 2023, at 5:45 p.m. with the following members present: Tim Bevins, Shane Coby, Darin Dubbs, Tracy Frech and Tom Schlechty. Administrators attending were Josh Sagester, Kim Chowning, Lee Morris, and Shane Mead. Mr. Schlechty was elected as President of the Board of Education for 2023 and Mr. Coby was elected as Vice-President. The date, time, and place of regular meetings for 2023 were also approved by the Board members. Committee appointments are as follows: Transportation chair is Mr. Bevins and member Mr. Coby. Building and grounds chair is Mrs. Frech and member Mr. Schlechty. Miami Valley Career Technology Center Advisory chair is Mr. Dubbs and member Mr. Bevins. Legislative Liaison chair is Mr. Coby and member Mrs. Frech. Mr. Dubbs will serve as a member to the Athletic Council and Mr. Coby will serve as the 2023 OSBA Student Liaison. The 2023 organizational meeting was adjourned at 5:52.

The Board of Education members and administrators entered the 2024 Budget Hearing meeting at 6:00 p.m. Mrs. Chowning reviewed the proposed 2024 Tax Budget with those present. Mr. Schlechty called the meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

At 6:20 p.m., the Board of Education members and administrators entered a public hearing to discuss the proposed 2023-2024 district calendar. There were no questions raised on the presented calendar. The meeting was adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

The regular Board of Education meeting began at 6:30 p.m. The regular meeting minutes for December 19, 2022, were approved by the board members.

Superintendent Report: January is School Board Appreciation month and Mr. Sagester thanked the board members for their service. There are still some minor punch lists items that need to be addressed yet. Jason Schulte from Garmann Miller will be on site January 10 to review these items. There was another incident where two more people drove around the gates behind the PAC closest to the fieldhouse. These individuals were caught and will be paying restitution for the damages. Mr. Sagester discussed options with the members to prevent this from recurring. Kevin Flory submitted two quotes: 1) to gravel approximately 24,000 sq. ft. to provide a back parking lot behind the drive and 2) to gravel the edges along the drive and boulder the area with large rocks. Mr. Sagester distributed a Title IX resolution (a resolution to oppose the proposed changes to Title IX and to affirm parental rights and local control of Ohio K-12 education) as prepared by the Ohio Department of Education. The State Board opposes the proposed regulatory changes released by the U.S. Department of Education on June 23, 2022. The new wellness center membership and liability forms were discussed as well as guidelines for the use of the wellness center. A driver's license for potential new members will be required to be ran through the district's background security system prior to issuing a membership. The Patriot Holiday Classic once again was a success. Mr. Sagester thanked Brad Gray, Chris Pearson, Greg Pearson, John Miller, and the custodial crew for spearheading and assisting with the event at the Patriot Activity Center. Concession sales were over \$5,000 for the two-day event and over \$10,000 in ticket sales. Both the boys' varsity and junior varsity teams were the Patriot Holiday champions.

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 2022-2023 school year as submitted and updated monthly by the Darke County Educational Service Center.
- 2. Recommendation to hire Julia Bell, Wellness Center Fitness Instructor.
- 3. Recommendation to issue a one year (2022-2023) limited supplemental contract to Christina Volk, Assistant Sophomore Class Advisor.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 1. Recommendation to approve financial reports as presented by the Treasurer.
- 2. Recommendation to approve the Wellness Center Membership rate at \$75.00 per person per calendar year, effective January 2023. You must be over the age of 21, and no one under 21 is permitted in the Wellness

Center. Exceptions will be made for a student or groups of students who are participating in school sponsored activities/classes and being coached/taught by a Tri-Village board approved school employee.

- 3. Recommendation to approve the Wellness Center fitness instructor rate to be:
 - \$3.00 for Staff Member Attendance
 - \$7.00 for Community Member Attendance
 - 4. Recommendation to approve the rate of the Early Bird Saturday Special Sessions
 - \$5.00 for Staff Member per session
 - \$10.00 for Community Member per session
- 5. Recommendation to approve the 2023-2024 tax year school district budget as presented by the Treasurer.

NEW BUSINESS CONSIDERATIONS

1. Recommendation to approve the Wellness Center Guidelines.

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 7:38 p.m.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.