



The Tri-Village Local School District Board of Education met in regular session on July 17, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present: Tim Bevins, Darin Dubbs, Tracy Frech, Tom Schlechty, and Justin Spencer. Josh Sagester and Kim Chowning were present as well as Brittany Hathaway too.

The Board of Education approved the minutes of the regular meeting and special meetings (public hearing for special education funds and records commission meeting) held on June 28, 2023.

Superintendent's Report: Jason Schulte from Garmann Miller will be on site for an eleven month walk through in the Early Learning Center tomorrow, July 18 at 1:00 p.m. The Patriot Activity Center punch list is dwindling down. The atrium floor and gym floor repairs are complete. The following items need to be completed in the PAC yet: two hold opens for the gym doors, waiting on a part to control the air conditioning and heat in the district office and wellness center, and Bluetooth still needs to be installed in the locker rooms. Mr. Sagester shared a summer projects update. The bleacher replacement project in the junior high gymnasium will start July 18 and the practice football field irrigation pump has been delivered. The irrigation pump was a very cost-effective measure as there was no drilling or tapping into existing water lines. New flooring in the clinic has been installed as well as in the first-floor elementary classrooms and all the carpet has been cleaned. The clinic walls have been painted and new cabinets will be installed in the next few weeks. The renovations to the teachers' lounge should be completed soon. The south parking lot will be resealed at the end of July. Most of the auditorium updates have been completed. The girls state championship basketball signs have been hung alongside the boys state championship basketball signs. Two larger Tri-Village all sports state championship signs are ordered and will be mounted on 121. The following summer technology updates are complete or in process: new user accounts, website updates, new lunchroom software, 250 new Chromebooks ordered, and training computers have been placed in the bus garage. The technology update in the commons is delayed due to the availability of equipment. 49 Degrees is working on atrium updates to highlight the girls' basketball team state championship. Many orientations and open houses will take place in August; Freshman orientation is on the 9th at 6:00 p.m., 7th grade orientation and 8th grade schedule pick up on the 16th at 6:00 p.m., grades K-2 will host an open house on the 16th at 5:30 as well, and grades 3-12 will have their open house on the 28th starting at 5:30. A new teacher orientation will take place on August 14 in the district conference room. Mr. Sagester will give official introductions, provide organizational items, and share district expectations. Classroom management and school climate will be reviewed as well as the sharing of educational nuggets and traits of an effective educator. The superintendent convocation speech will begin the professional development day on August 15. Other PD items for the 15th include technology, hearing (K-6 staff), mindfulness (K-12 staff), artificial intelligence guest speaker Eric Curts, and online purchase order training. Data analysis and team building at Downing's pond will take place on August 16 and building staff meetings/working in rooms on August 28. Sagester shared the key highlights of House Bill 33. The fair school funding plan continues to be phased in using 2022 base costs inputs. The bill created the Department of Education and Workforce (DEW) which transfers most of the duties of the State Board of Education to DEW. Funding for Ed Choice vouchers increased by \$826 million over the biennium. A full voucher can be awarded to a student with family incomes at or below 450% of the federal poverty level which equates to \$135,000 for a family of four. Prorated voucher amounts can be awarded to students with family incomes above 450% federal poverty level with a minimum amount of \$617 for grades K-8 and \$841 for high school. HB 33 maintained retention for the third grade reading guarantee but created an exemption from retention for students whose parents, in consultation with the reading teacher and principal, agree the student should be promoted and receive intervention services until they read at grade level. There were several pupil transportation guidelines included in the bill including but not limited to establishing transportation noncompliance penalties at five consecutive days or ten cumulative days. The educator's piece of the bill changes the grade band licensure to grades preK-8 and grades 6-12. John Butch, WOAC secretary, has resigned his position effective immediately. As a result, the conference is looking to transition from secretary to commissioner which will require more responsibilities with the goal of improving overall credibility. Mr. Sagester has taken the lead in this process and will be hosting a meeting for all WOAC superintendents. The first day of coaching for fall sports is July 31. The varsity football team has a scrimmage at Covington on August 5 and at Greenon on August 10. Mr. Gray will be distributing free student season passes to those students who request a pass at either of the open houses or a couple of other dates in early August.

The Board of Education members voted on the following motions:

PERSONNEL CONSIDERATIONS

1. Recommendation to issue a one-year (2023-2024) contract to the following Title 1 Coaches. These positions are excluded from the negotiated agreement.
 - Marcia Schlechty
 - Joyce Ayyette
 - Patricia Rhoades
 - Michael Lehman
2. Recommendation to approve the following as classified substitutes (school bus driver) for the 2023-2024 school year.
 - Justine Slone
 - Matt Harman
3. Recommendation to approve the following as van bus drivers for the 2023-2024 school year: Roy Lowrie, Brad Gray, Logan Brubaker, Lee Morris, Carol Pearson, Chris Pearson, Christy Sarver, and Shane Coby.
4. Recommendation to approve a one-year (2023-2024) contract with the Darke County Sheriff's Department to provide a Resource Officer daily during the school year.
5. Recommendation to approve a one-year (2023-2024) contract to the following Wee Patriot Preschool employees.
 - Joanie Hollinger – Wee Patriot Preschool Director
 - Alisha Hollinger – Wee Patriot Preschool Teacher
 - Stacey Whaley – Wee Patriot Preschool Classroom Aide
 - Valerie Pipenger – Wee Patriot Preschool Classroom Aide
 - Christy Sarver – Wee Patriot Preschool Classroom Aide
 - Paige Greer – Wee Patriot Preschool Classroom Aide
6. Recommendation to employ the following as classified substitutes for the 2023-2024 school year. (All Aide substitutes must have an active Educational Aide Student Monitor Permit issued from the Ohio Department of Education.)
7. Recommendation to issue a one year (2023-2024) limited supplemental contract to the following individual, 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.

Volunteer High School Volleyball Coach
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Kara Burns

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

1. Recommendation to approve the financial reports as presented by the Treasurer.
- B. Recommendation to approve fiscal year 2024 appropriations.
- C. Recommendation to accept the following donations:

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Family Health Services of Darke County	Athletics	\$750.00	
Primex Plastics	Athletics	\$750.00	
Wayne Builder Supply	Athletics	\$1,250.00	
Brian Munchel Youth Music	Band	\$500.00	Equipment Lease
Family Health Services of Darke County	Capital Improvement	\$750.00	
Primex Plastics	Capital Improvement	\$750.00	
Wayne Builder Supply	Capital Improvement	\$1,250.00	
S&R Property Maintenance LLC	JH Cheer	\$600.00	
Castine Church	PATS	\$384.25	Backpack Program

- D.** Recommendation to approve the 2023-2024 school year salary for Alisha Hollinger, Wee Patriot Preschool Teacher, at an annual salary of \$38,074.00.
- E.** Recommendation to approve the 2023-2024 school year salary for Joanie Hollinger, Wee Patriot Preschool Director, at an annual salary of \$48,491.00.
- F.** Recommendation to approve the 2023-2024 school year hourly rates for the following Wee Patriot Preschool Aides:
- Stacey Whaley \$16.00
 - Valerie Pipenger \$12.80
 - Christy Sarver \$16.65
 - Paige Greer \$12.80
- G.** Recommendation to adopt the following classified hourly substitute rates, effective for FY2024 and thereafter, as recommended by the Superintendent.
- Custodian - \$14.00
 - Aide - \$13.00
 - Cafeteria - \$12.25
 - Secretary - \$13.00
 - Bus Driver - \$18.00
- H.** Recommendation to approve the Title 1 Coach pay rate of \$100.00/day for the 2023-2024 school year.
- I.** Recommendation to approve a daily rate of \$95.00/day for substitute teachers for fiscal year 2023-2024.
- J.** Recommendation to approve the JH/HS Classroom Proctor rate at \$100.00 a day, for the 2023-2024 school year. This position is excluded from the Negotiated Agreement.
- K.** Recommendation to approve the 2023-2024 event ticket prices for Junior High and High School Sporting events.
- \$7.00 for all varsity sports
 - \$5.00 for all sub varsity sports
- L.** Recommendation to approve the following 2023-2024 season pass ticket prices. Season pass tickets are only good for home events (excluding Holiday Tournaments and post season events). There will be a processing fee from hometown tickets for all online purchases. Family passes ONLY include immediate family members that live in your home. This does not include cousins, aunts, uncles, and/or grandparents.
- Family All Sports Pass (Family of 4) - \$375.00/\$50.00 per additional pass.
 - Student All Sports Pass - \$50.00
 - Adult All Sports Pass - \$150.00
 - Lifetime Senior Citizen All Sports \$100.00
 - Assigned Seat (Basketball) - \$50.00 (Must be a pass holder to purchase a reserved seat)
 - Reserved Seat (Football) - \$30.00 (Must be a pass holder to purchase a reserved seat)
- M.** Recommendation to approve the school breakfast and lunch prices as follows for the 2023-2024 school year:

Breakfast	\$2.00	Reduced - \$0.30
Lunch	PK-5 \$2.65	Reduced - \$0.40
	6-12 \$2.75	
	Ala Carte (Grades 6-12 Only) \$3.00	
	Main Entrée \$2.25	
	Milk \$0.50	

NEW BUSINESS

1. Recommendation to approve all bus stops as required by the State Department of Transportation, as recommended by the Transportation Supervisor and the Superintendent for the 2023-2024 school year. Changes or additional stops may be necessary as the year progresses if it is in the best interest of the Tri-Village Local Schools.
2. Recommendation to approve the issuance of free individual season passes to all athletic events, excluding Holiday tournaments and post season events, if a volunteer takes tickets for four games.
3. Recommendation to approve/reject board policies as presented.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - The Board of Education entered 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 7:10 and time out 7:15.

COMMUNICATIONS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST – Mr. Sagester shared the hard numbers from Level MB for the baseball and softball complex updates. The board members brainstormed various other ideas as well. Sagester shared these ideas with Matt Gray from Level MB. Mr. Gray will provide costs regarding the other thoughts for the complexes within the next week.

Mr. Schlechty adjourned the meeting at 8:11 p.m.