Tri-Village Local School District
Board of Education Meeting Proceedings

Date: July 27, 2026
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: Tri-Village Board of Education Conference Room

Board Members Present
Lauren Armstrong, Tim Bevins, Darin Dubbs, and Tracy Frech. Justin Spencer was absent.

Approval of Minutes
The minutes of the regular meeting and special education federal funds meeting held on June 29, 2026, were approved by the Board.

Recognition of Visitors
Georgia Lange and her husband were present. Mrs. Lange is an incoming new hire gifted teacher for the 2026-2027 school year.

Superintendent's Report
Mr. Sagester began his report by sharing an update on summer projects which included the following: flooring, hallway and trophy case painting, graphics and graduation composites, brick work, parking lots, fieldhouse doors, carpet cleaning, AC unit in technology closet, and installation of play clocks.

The first district leadership team meeting for the upcoming school year is scheduled for August 4 at 9:00 a.m. The County Administrators Conference meeting will be held at Miami University on August 5 and 6. A district cabinet meeting is planned for August 11 and a district safety meeting on August 14. New staff orientation will take place in the Patriot Activity Center on August 17. Mr. Sagester shared that 9th grade student orientation and 7th and 8th grade schedule pickup is set for August 19. Sophomores, juniors, and seniors can pick up their schedules beginning August 25 in the main office. Professional development days for all staff are scheduled for August 18, 19 and 31.

To remain in compliance with NEOLA policy and auditing purposes, Mrs. Francis has added phone extensions to the district's nondiscrimination policies for Mr. Morris and Ms. Black.

Senate Bill 276 signed into law the Student Athlete Mobility Act which allows a student attending a public high school the option to petition to participate in a sport at a neighboring public school if the student's own school does not offer the sport. Both school superintendents must approve the participation request.

OHSAA has released the fall and winter divisions. The volleyball, football, and girls' and boys' basketball teams will all be in Division VI. Official start date for golf is July 29, which is the WOAC Preview. August 1 is the official start date for volleyball, football, and cross-country. The football team will have a scrimmage at Fort Loramie on August 8, a jamboree game at Middletown Madison on August 13, and their opener at Bethel on August 21. The cross-country team has their first meet at Dixie on August 25, and the volleyball team will play in the Greenville Invite on August 29.

Treasurer's Report
Mrs. Chowning requested that the Board of Education approve FY 2027 permanent appropriations totaling $15,246,463 of which $13,050,223 is allocated to the general fund. She also requested the approval of the Darke County Sherriff's SRO contract for the upcoming school year in the amount of $95,978.

All information has been sent to Carol Riggle to compile the 2025-2026 OCBOA cash report due in the Hinkle system by August 31. The AOS audit for FY 2025 and FY 2026 should be forthcoming.

The district's food service department was selected to receive a Propane with Purpose award in the amount of $2,140 which is sponsored by Keystone Cooperative to help reduce outstanding lunch debt. A presentation of the check will take place on August 4th at 9 a.m.

Committee Reports
MVCTC Advisory: Mrs. Armstrong shared that juniors start back at CTC on August 10 and seniors on August 11.

Personnel Considerations
Recommendation to accept the resignation of Heather Bergman, Gifted Intervention Specialist (K-12) Teacher, effective August 10, 2026.

Recommendation to accept the resignation of Shaughn Bingham, Adolescence to Young Adult Life Sciences (Grades 7-12), effective August 3, 2026.

Recommendation to issue a one year (2026-2027) limited supplemental contract to the following individuals:

Supplemental	Staff Member
Play Director	Kathryn Asher
Assistant Play Director	Cory Canan
Flag Corps Advisor	Kathryn Asher

Recognize Logan DeLong as a volunteer football coach.

Request to rescind board resolution 26-57 number 13, Shaughn Bingham, Yearbook Advisor.

Request to rescind board resolution 26-62 number 6, Shaughn Bingham, Head Junior Class Advisor.

Recommendation to issue a one year (2026-2027) limited certified contract to Georgia Lange, K-12 Gifted and/or Intervention Specialist Teacher, with a placement on Step 10 (master's +30) of the approved salary schedule. Contract is 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 2026-2027 school year.

Recommendation to approve Julie Bell for obtaining additional hours to place her on the master's +15 step per the negotiated agreement.

Financial Considerations
Recommendation to approve financial reports as submitted by the Treasurer.

Recommendation to approve fiscal year 2027 permanent appropriations.

Recommendation to approve the 2026-2027 event ticket prices for Junior High and High School Sporting events, $7.00 for all varsity sports and $5.00 for all sub varsity sports.

Recommendation to accept the following donations:

Donor	Account	Amount	Purpose
Anonymous	Archery	$526.00	
Darke County Fish and Game	Archery	$375.00	

Family Health Services of Darke County	Athletics	$1,500.00	Scoreboard Sponsor
Tri-Village Cops for Kids	Food Service	$1,093.23	
571 Small Engine LLC	HS Cheerleading	$550.00	Football Banner/Ad
Clearskin by Cora Edger	HS Cheerleading	$100.00	Spirit Items
Kremer Show Goats	HS Cheerleading	$200.00	
Natascha Hemmelgarn	HS Cheerleading	$300.00	
Tanya Coby	HS Cheerleading	$40.00	

New Business Considerations
Recommendation to approve a one-year (2026-2027) contract with the Darke County Sheriff's Department to provide a Resource Officer daily during the school year.

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 2026-2027 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.

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.

Executive Session
The Board of Education entered executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official. Time in was 6:55 and time out was 7:25.

Adjournment
Mr. Dubbs adjourned the Regular Board of Education meeting at 7:26.