



Tri-Village Local Schools

The Tri-Village Local School District Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, November 16, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Shane Coby, Tracy Frech and Tom Schlechty. Tim Bevins and Amy Farmer attended virtually. Josh Sagester and Kim Chowning were present as well. The minutes of the regular meeting for October 19, 2020 were approved. The members also approved the October 2020 expenditures and all financial reports as presented by the Treasurer.

Superintendent Report: Mr. Sagester gave an update on COVID cases and quarantines. As of November 16, three students have recovered, and one additional student case has been confirmed by the Darke County health department. Five staff members are in quarantine. Students and staff currently in quarantine because of family exposures are 35 and 1, respectively. As of November 9, per Dr. Holman, there were fourteen total cases in the District’s boundaries with a total of 1,660 total cases in Darke County out of a total population of 51,000. Plexiglass barriers have been installed on the cafeteria tables to partition students while eating. Dr. Hohman liked this idea and is interested in using this model to pave the way for other schools in the County to avoid quarantine and to keep students at school while monitoring symptoms. An OHSAA article was shared with Board members stating that there is no evidence that school sports are causing COVID spread. The paving is complete at the bus garage. However, the electric is not. The framing inspection will take place on November 17. The District will revisit the easement idea in the Spring with the town council. The Veterans Day celebration was well planned and went well. A special thank you to Leah Scantland for preparing the Veterans Day breakfast and the following people and groups who were instrumental in the success of the morning: Mr. Morris, Mrs. Black, Mr. Mead, Mr. Beard, Mr. Ford, the Kindergarten staff (Miss Keen, Mrs. Doppler and Mrs. Butcher), Band (Mr. Bialowas), Chorus (Mrs. Smith) and FFA (Mr. Slone). The Tri-Village administration once again will be posting “Tri-Village Positives” for home basketball games beginning with the High School girl’s game on November 20. Mike Gray, Darke County ESC Superintendent, and April Hoying, DCESC Curriculum Coordinator, were recently on site to congratulate and present Miss Kelsey Keen the 2019-2020 Teacher of the Year award. The District’s gym variance has been approved by the Darke County Health Department and the Ohio Department of Health which permits 240 home visitors and 60 away visitors. The fall sports award banquet will take place on November 17. Mr. Sagester again congratulated the Volleyball team on their outstanding season. Football cross county conference honors were shared as follows: Robert Burk (Coach of the Year), Layne Sarver (Offensive Player of the Year), Josh Scantland (First Team Wide Receiver), Justin Finkbine (First Team Defensive Back), Reed Wehr (First Team Running Back), Wyatt Plush (First Team Offensive Lineman), Dylan Finkbine (Second Team Defensive Lineman), Blake Brandenburg (Special Mention Linebacker), Trevor Barrett (Special Mention Defensive Back), Tanner Printz (Special Mention Defensive Back), Devin Swick (Special Mention Wide Receiver), and Offensive Lineman Special Mention to Dillan Plush, Jakob Saylor and Christian Cantrell. The Bill Burkett tournament has been cancelled. However, the girls will still play against Versailles Friday night at 6. There will be a fall athletic council meeting in the near future and Mr. Gray will be scheduling evaluation meetings with all fall season head coaches following the awards program.

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

PERSONNEL

- A. Accept the resignation of Michael Dean, Assistant Girls Basketball Coach.
- B. Approve the employment of Deborah Dynes, fiscal office substitute, effective December 8, 2020 at a rate of \$23.00 per hour.
- C. Issue a one year (2020-2021) limited supplemental contract to the following 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 Girls Basketball Coach	Mackenzie Taylor
Junior High Basketball Cheerleading Advisor	Cheyenne Meyers
8 th Grade Girls Basketball Coach	Rick Bell

Volunteer Junior High Basketball Cheerleading Advisor	Madison Green
Volunteer Assistant Girls Basketball Coach	Caleb South

- D. Approve the employment of substitute teachers for the 2020-2021 school year as submitted and updated monthly by the Darke County Educational Service Center.
- E. Approve the 2020-2021 school year hourly rate for Paige Greer, Wee Patriot Preschool Aide at \$12.00/hour, retro-active to October 6, 2020.
- F. Recognize Julia Bell for obtaining additional education and training that will place her on the Master's step per the negotiated agreement.
- G. Approve Caleb South as a High School Girls Basketball trainer to provide weekly sessions at a rate of \$50.00 per week. The Girls Basketball fund will pay for these services.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Accept the following donations.
 - 1) \$500.00 from the Athletic Boosters to the Band account to benefit the purchase of concession supplies
 - 2) \$50.00 from Eileen Litchfield to the Athletic Department in Memory of Bill Burkett
 - 3) \$20.00 from Scott and Janice Mills to the Athletic Department in Memory of Bill Burkett
 - 4) \$200.00 from Weidners Construction to the Archery fund
 - 5) \$200.00 from Sowers Construction to the Archery fund
 - 6) \$100.00 from Singer Farms to the Archery fund
- B. Approve an extension of the Exclusive Right to Sell Contract with Leis Realty Company, Inc. to April 15, 2021.
- C. Approve an overnight field trip for FFA soil contest winners to go to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma (National Land Judging) from May 3 – 7, 2021, under the direction of Mr. Justin Slone, as recommended by the Superintendent, pending COVID guidelines.
- D. Award the bus barn parking lot pavement project to Seamless Asphalt in the amount of \$58,000.
- E. Approve a bus barn project alternate to Hollinger Excavating (parking lot base and drain work) in the amount of \$21,185.24.

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 6:32 p.m. and time out 7:35 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.