



Tri-Village Local Schools

The Tri-Village Local School District Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, November 18, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present: Tim Bevins, Darin Dubbs, Tracy Frech, Tom Schlechty, and Justin Spencer.

The minutes of the regular meeting on October 21, 2024, were approved.

Elementary Principal's Report: Mr. Mead shared that much professional development took place after the early release on November 13. Emily Kappel of Kappel Consulting observed math teachers in the morning and then worked on finishing TV's math vision statement in the afternoon. McGraw Hill virtually presented their ELA curriculum with staff. The curriculum committee will meet after Thanksgiving break before deciding on the purchase of material. Jordan Renfro provided CRT training for both intervention specialists and aides. Mr. Mead thanked Renfro for taking the training on. Intervention specialists met with county ESC personnel to review IEP information and progress reports too. OTES 2.0 Round 1 observations will be completed soon. Mead has three to complete before the Thanksgiving break. He is also working on off-year evaluations and has just a few to complete. KRA data has arrived and by Mr. Mead's calculations, 77% was reached on the Literacy and Language portion of the assessment which is above the district's average! The fifth-grade students have completed their Cog AT testing and results will be shared once received by the vendor. The third-grade students have completed their state testing as well. Our PATS organization completed a Food and Hygiene drive the first week in November and are now collecting turkey feathers during lunch to raise money for the same cause. Congratulations to Ezra Guiterrez who won the Tri-Village Spelling Bee on November 14. Kinsley Lovett was the runner up. Ezra will compete in the Darke County Spelling Bee on January 16 at Romer's. On November 15, 6th and 7th grade students traveled to Wright State University's Education Day and watched the women's basketball game against Tennessee State while there. Grandparent's Day for second graders will be held on November 26. The elementary hosted a successful Silly Sock Fun Run fundraiser recently. The Pink Laces Running Club completed their season on October 29. Thirty-four girls completed the mile run. Congratulations to the following October Patriots of the Month: Hartaj Virk (KG), Maggie Brewer (1st), Asher Hopkins (2nd), Braxton Didier (3rd), Bo Creech (4th), Marie Napier (5th), and Katie Barger (6th). The Mobile Dentist was on campus on November 1st and 4th and serviced 43 elementary students during that time.

High School Principal's Report: During the next early release day, December 11, Mr. Morris shared that Darke County ESC staff will be providing demo training on Texthelp's Read & Write system in the testing portal. The JH/HS is purchasing new materials from IXL for online interventions in the subject areas of ELA, math, science, social studies, and foreign languages. Mrs. Burns, ELA teacher, has organized mock interviews for 11th grade students which will take place at the New Madison Public Library on December 10. Mr. Morris shared that there are 357 students on campus in the JH/HS wing. Senior Lydia Alette and junior Heidi Bell are representatives for the United Way – Darke County program and will be participating in the Toys for Tots drive on December 4. House Bill 123 instruction will take place on November 22, 25, and 26 for grades 7-12 under the guidance of Amanda Dyson, Logan Brubaker, Kara Burns, Sean Ford, Matt Hopkins, and Roy Lowrie. Kylie Prasuhn, new Darke County ESC Special Education Supervisor, has been on campus getting acquainted with the district's intervention specialists. Mr. Morris concluded his report with a list of upcoming events.

Superintendent's Report: Mr. Sagester was happy to announce that for the second consecutive year the elementary and middle school earned the US News and World Report "badge" because they placed among the top 40% in the state. The district's NEOLA representative, Mark Barhorst, will meet with Mr. Sagester and Mrs. Chowning regarding board policy updates on November 22. OSBA election results were shared as well as BASA breakdown of operating levies, permanent improvement, bond, combination levies, income, and earned income tax levies. The administrative team met last week to put together a Cardiac Emergency Response Plan. The district now has AEDs in every location as required by HB 147 thanks to Nurse Jodi. Eric Burns, Tri-Village Rescue Squad Chief of EMS, and his staff will be providing hands-on cardiac arrest training at various home basketball games for the community. Mr. Sagester reviewed SB 104 (single sex bathroom bill) with the Board of Education members. Sagester also spoke on HB 123 which requires three hours of instruction on the following topics (1 hour of suicide awareness, 1 hour of safety training and violence prevention, and 1 hour on social inclusion). All teachers in the 6th grade will provide instruction on these topics along with the various teachers previously mentioned in Mr. Morris'

report in the JH/HS wing. The National Honor Society induction took place on November 12 with the following students inducted: Regan Brewer, Michael Rhoades, Aereonna Baker, Kaitlyn Cook, Logan Delong, Sydnee Delong, Carson Dyson, Alexis Finkbine, and Sophie Goins. Mr. Sagester shared 2023 value added teacher reports. The State Board of Education recently adopted rules to create an interim teaching license which would be available to teaching candidates who are struggling with subject-matter licensure exams but have the confidence of a local superintendent. The students in Jordan Renfro's multiple disabilities class were highlighted in a McDonald's video for participating in National Disabilities month. The football team finished their season with a 9-3 record. Trey Sagester (QB), Dom Black (OL), and Griffen Richards (WR) received first team offense WOAC honors. Kaeden Lipps (LB), Lane Bierly (DB), and Dom Black (DL) received first team defense honors. Second team offense honors were awarded to Levi Farmer (OL) and Lane Bierly (WR) and second team defense honor to Colt Camacho (DB). Zeke Hopkins (WR) and Mason Weathington (DB) received special mention. Division VII All Southwest District Honors have been awarded as well with Trey Sagester (QB) receiving Offensive Player of the Year. Griffin Richards (WR) and Dom Black (OL) was selected first team offense and Kaden Lipps (LB) and Lane Bierly (DB) first team defense. Southwest second team offense honors go to Zeke Hopkins (WR) and Levi Farmer (DL) and second team defense honors to Colt Camacho (DB) and Mason Weathington (DB). The girls' and boys' basketball teams have scrimmages lined up for this week. The girls played against Miami East on November 18 and the boys against Aiken on November 20 and Fairlawn on the 23rd. The boys' basketball team will compete in Division VI this year while the girls' team will play in Division V. The WOAC Cheer competition is on December 8 at National Trail. Tri-Village will host the 8th grade girls' basketball conference tournament running from February 1 to the 8th. When a district hosts the 8th grade tournament, the 7th grade championship game is hosted as well. This game will be played in the Patriot Activity Center. Tri-Village will also be the host site for the 7th grade boys' tournament but will not host the finals as that is at the 8th grade host site. The tournament runs February 8 – 13.

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 2024-2025 school year as submitted and updated monthly by the Darke County Educational Service Center.
2. Recommendation to rescind the following supplemental contracts:

Position	Name	Date	Resolution No.
Assistant to Boys Varsity Basketball Coach	Mick Sagester	5/20/2024	24-62 Item 7
JV Boys Basketball Coach	Rick McKinney	5/20/2024	24-62 Item 7
Volunteer Boys Basketball Coach	Mike Delong	5/20/2024	24-62 Item 7
Volunteer Boys Basketball Coach	Tyler Evans	5/20/2024	24-62 Item 7
7 th Grade Girls Basketball Coach	Cierra Tomey	5/20/2024	24-62 Item 7
8 th Grade Girls Basketball Coach	Christy Sarver	5/20/2024	24-62 Item 7
Assistant to Girls Varsity Basketball Coach	Scott Howell	5/20/2024	24-62 Item 7
JV Girls Basketball Coach	Doug Mize	5/20/2024	24-62 Item 7
High School Basketball Cheer Advisor	Kara Wilson	5/20/2024	24-62 Item 7
Volunteer Cheerleading Coach	Danielle Bourne	8/12/2024	25-06 Item 3
7 th Grade Boys Basketball Coach	Reginald Osborne	9/16/2024	25-11 Item 3
JV Baseball Coach	Shane Coby	9/16/2024	25-11 Item 3
Head Softball Coach	Emily Osborne	9/16/2024	25-11 Item 3
Winter Sports Coordinator	Chris Pearson	9/16/2024	25-11 Item 3
Head High School Girls Track Coach	Christy Sarver	9/16/2024	25-11 Item 3
Volunteer Archery Coach	John Siegrist	9/16/2024	25-11 Item 3
Volunteer Archery Coach	Gerald Osborne	9/16/2024	25-11 Item 3
Volunteer Powerlifting Coach	Tracy Brown	9/16/2024	25-11 Item 3

3. Pursuant to R.C. 3313.53, the Board of Education has offered the foregoing position(s) to those employees of the district who are licensed individuals, and no such employee qualified to fill the position(s) has accepted it. The Board has then advertised the position(s) as available to any licensed individual who is qualified to fill it and who is not employed by the Board, and no such person has applied for and accepted the position(s).

Accordingly, the supplemental salary schedule set forth in the Agreement with the Tri-Village Education Association is not applicable to the circumstances, and the Board must consider other ways to recruit and retain individuals for these positions. To do so, the Board will consider volunteers to fill the positions. The Board will pay volunteers for the position(s) a nominal stipend as follows for the 2024-2025 school year:

Coaching/Activity	Volunteer	Stipend
7 th Grade Boys Basketball Coach	Reginald Osborne	\$ 2,737.00
7 th Grade Girls Basketball Coach	Cierra Tomey	\$ 3,158.00
8 th Grade Girls Basketball Coach	Christy Sarver	\$ 3,158.00
Assistant to Boys Varsity Basketball Coach	Mick Sagester	\$ 2,316.00
Assistant to Girls Varsity Basketball Coach	Scott Howell	\$ 2,316.00
Assistant to Varsity Girls Track Coach	Stacy Bruner	\$ 2,316.00
Head High School Girls Track Coach	Christy Sarver	\$ 4,421.00
Head Softball Coach	Emily Osborne	\$ 4,421.00
High School Basketball Cheer Advisor	Kara Wilson	\$ 3,368.00
JV Baseball Coach	Shane Coby	\$ 2,316.00
JV Boys Basketball Coach	Rick McKinney	\$ 4,421.00
JV Girls Basketball Coach	Doug Mize	\$ 3,579.00
Winter Sports Coordinator	Chris Pearson	\$ 3,579.00

Each person listed above volunteering for this position(s) must sign a “pupil activity contract” acknowledging that the nominal stipend attached to this position(s) is not guaranteed compensation. This fee is intended to cover the reasonable expenses associated with serving as a volunteer (travel, trophies, clinics, etc.). This fee is not a substitute for compensation. In addition, no current employee of the district who performs the same type of service may volunteer for this position(s). Persons volunteering for this position(s) must also comply with all other provisions required by Ohio law for pupil-activity programs.

4. Recognize the volunteers below for the following programs:

Volunteer Archery Coach	John Siegrist
Volunteer Archery Coach	Gerald Osborne
Volunteer Boys Basketball Coach	Mike Delong
Volunteer Boys Basketball Coach	Tyler Evans
Volunteer Cheerleading Coach	Danielle Bourne
Volunteer Powerlifting Coach	Jeff Enicks
Volunteer Powerlifting Coach	Tracy Brown

5. Recommendation to employ Craig Stewart, retro-active to November 5, 2024, as classified substitutes for the 2024-2025 school year. (All Aide substitutes must have an active Educational Aide Student Monitor permit issued from the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce (ODEW)).
6. Recommendation to approve Jeff McMiller classified substitutes (school bus driver) for the 2024-2025 school year.
7. Recommendation to accept with thanks the resignation of Cheryl Purdy, Education Management Information System Coordinator and Guidance Secretary for the purpose of retirement, effective January 31, 2026.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

1. Recommendation to approve financial reports as presented by the Treasurer.
2. Approve Fiscal Year 2025 Five-Year Forecast.
3. Recommendation to accept the following donations:

Donor	Account	Amount	Purpose
Jafe Decorating Inc	Elementary Projects	\$ 100.00	Silly Sock Fun Run
Lefeld Industrial & Welding Supplies	Archery	\$ 100.00	
Brenda Filby	JH Cheer	\$ 50.00	
Farmers State Bank	Elementary Projects	\$ 1,000.00	Silly Sock Fun Run

Hollinger Excavating	Elementary Projects	\$ 250.00	Silly Sock Fun Run
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NEW BUSINESS

1. The Board of Education adopts and approves administrative guidelines for administering a volunteer coaching program.

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 6:57 and time out 7:18.

COMMUNICATIONS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

Mrs. Chowning met with the district's investment advisor on November 15. She shared an investment strategy update with the Board including both an economic update and portfolio review.

Mr. Schlechty adjourned the meeting at 7:43 p.m.