



## Tri-Village Local Schools

The Tri-Village Local School District Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, September 21, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present Tim Bevins, Shane Coby, Amy Farmer, Tracy Frech and Tom Schlechty. Josh Sagester and Kim Chowning were present as well as Lee Morris and Shane Mead. The minutes of the regular meeting for August 31, 2020 were approved. The members also approved the August 2020 expenditures and all financial reports as presented by the Treasurer.

**Elementary Principal Report:** Mr. Mead stated that it has been a good start to the year. Despite having to wear the masks, he has had a lot of positive feedback and the staff and students have done a great job adapting. Total enrollment for the elementary wing thus far is 388 (K-60, 1<sup>st</sup> – 36, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 46, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 63, 4<sup>th</sup> – 64, 5<sup>th</sup> – 53 and 6<sup>th</sup> – 66). There has been a full swing of testing the last two weeks including KRA for Kindergarten, MAP testing for K – 6, and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade CoGAT. All distance learners came in on September 18 to complete MAP and the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade distance learners completed their CoGAT testing on September 21. Staff are giving their short cycle assessments (SCA's) the week of September 21 as well. All testing must be completed by September 30 so the data can be entered into the EMIS reporting system. Mr. Mead shared the elementary RIMP numbers. A student must meet a score of 700 to not be placed on a RIMP. There are twenty teachers this year that Mr. Mead will be observing as part of the OTES evaluation system. PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions & Support) efforts will continue this year.

**High School Principal Report:** Mr. Morris shared his high school staff meeting agenda that took place on September 2. It included an introduction of new staff members, organizational items, classroom management, professional organization and expectations, teacher evaluations, safety, instruction, teacher absences and COVID-19 protocols. He stated that the school year is off to a great start. Students are following the guidelines for the wearing of facial coverings. Mr. Morris also shared two weeks' worth of State football inspector results as they visited various athletic sites on September 10 and September 17. Inspectors observed and watched for the wearing of masks, social distancing, congregating of players, coaches, officials or spectators and participants having no physical contact with other participants unless part of on-field play.

**Superintendent Report:** The administrative team along with the school nurse have met on several occasions to compile the COVID-19 district reporting plan including two documents that can be found on the website. These are COVID-19 reporting and COVID-19 class letter. Administrators will also follow a quarantine protocol document as well. Mr. Sagester and county personnel met with Dr. Holman, Darke County Health Commissioner, recently regarding COVID related information. The District is happy to report that all students are eligible to receive free lunches per the United States Department of Agriculture thru December 31, 2020. The bus garage continues to move forward. The plumbers and excavators have been on campus. The framing should begin the week of September 28. Mr. Sagester praised Mrs. Fritz, school nurse, efforts in communicating COVID information to staff, parents, and students. She will be sending home a weekly/bi-weekly newsletter to communicate health and safety information pertaining to the District. The contents of the September Patriot Pulse will include the introduction of new staff, inclement weather notifications and COVID-19 reporting. Governor DeWine has signed HB606 which is legislation that grants civil immunity to individuals, schools, health care providers, businesses and other entities from lawsuits arising from exposure, transmission, or contraction of COVID-19 as long as they were not showing reckless, intentional or willful misconduct. Senate Bill 358 allows changes to education law for the 2020-2021 school year in response to implications from the pandemic providing more flexibility and local control in making decisions. Mr. Sagester shared board policy updates for the following policy numbers: 1520, 1530, 2270, 3124, 3220, 5200, 5460, 5610, 5611, 6144, 6152, 6152.01, 6235, 6424, 8450.01 and 8800. Policy 8450.01 (Protective Facial Coverings During Pandemic) is a new policy based on guidance from the Ohio Department of Health and the Center for Disease Control and Prevention. All other policies mentioned are a revised or replacement policy. The new sign in the front lawn of the high school has been completed. The new wave of chromebooks ordered back in June are still on backorder. Items included on the 2019-2020 State Report Card include Improving At-Risk K-3 and graduation rate. Student trips and festivities are still up in the air at this point and time. The Washington D.C. trip has been postponed until May. If the trip takes place, then the current freshman and 8<sup>th</sup> grade class will be going together. Homecoming festivities have

been delayed to the winter and prom has been set tentatively for April 17. Mr. Sagester was happy to report that the football team is ranked #6 in the D-7 AP poll and ranked #3 in D-7 in the Dayton area. Spirit week will be held for fall sports, September 28 to October 2. Records thru September 18: Football 3-0, Varsity Volleyball 7-1, Jr. Varsity Volleyball 5-3, 8<sup>th</sup> grade Volleyball 8-1, 7<sup>th</sup> grade Volleyball 6-2, boy's golf 8-2 and girl's golf 6-1. The District will hold its cross country meet on September 29.

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

**PERSONNEL**

- A. Employ Shelly Burns, as a school nurse substitute for the 2020-2021 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent.
- B. Approve the employment of substitute teachers for the 2020-2021 school year as submitted and updated monthly by the Darke County Educational Service Center, as recommended by the Superintendent.
- C. Recognize Jennifer Pierre as obtaining additional hours to place her on the master's step of the negotiated agreement, as recommended by the Superintendent.
- D. Approve Chris Pearson, site manager for FY2021 at a rate of \$50.00 per home baseball and softball games to be paid from the athletic fund, as recommended by the Superintendent.
- E. Approve Samantha Bialowas, to provide crossing guard services for the 2020-2021 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent.
- F. Issue a one year (2020-2021) limited supplemental contract to the following individuals, 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, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Assistant Baseball Coach	Joshua Davies
Assistant Softball Coach	Shane Mead
Head Baseball Coach	Jim Maples
Head High School Boys Track Coach	Scott Warren
Head High School Girls Track Coach	Christy Sarver
Junior High Boys Track Coach	Richard McCollum
Junior High Girls Track Coach	Julie Bell

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Accept the following donations, as recommended by the Treasurer.
  - 1) \$100.00 from SRL – Troutwine Insurance Agency of Arcanum to the General fund
  - 2) \$90.12 from Kroger Community Awards to the PATS account to benefit the Backpack program.
  - 3) \$87.02 from Kroger Community Awards to the Archery Club
  - 4) \$100.00 from Preferred Pump to the Archery Club
  - 5) \$305.00 from the Farmers State Bank to the General fund
  - 6) \$620.00 from Dynamite Designs to the General fund.
- B. Approve the following board policies, as recommended by the Superintendent.

1520 – Employment of Administrators (Revised)
1530 - Evaluation of Principals and Other Administrators (Revised)
2266 - Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in District Programs or Activities (New)
2270 - Religion in The Curriculum (Revised)
3124 - Employment Contract (Revised)
3220 - Standards-Based Teacher Evaluation (Revised)
5220 – Attendance (Revised)
5610 - Removal, Suspension, Expulsion, And Permanent Exclusion of Students (Revised)
5611 - Due Process Rights (Revised)
6144 – Investments (Revised)
6152 - Student Fees, Fines, And Charges (Revised)
6152.01 - Waiver of School Fees for Instructional Materials (Revised)
6325 - Procurement - Federal Grants/Funds (Revised)

6424 - Procurement Cards (New)
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8450.01 - Protective Facial Coverings During Pandemic/Epidemic Events (New)
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8800 - Religious/Patriotic Ceremonies and Observances (Revised)
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5460 – Graduation Requirements
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C. Approve the FY2021 five-year forecast, as recommended by the Treasurer.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.