

TIPPECANOE VALLEY SCHOOL CORPORATION

June 9, 2014
Administration Office
8343 South State Road 19
Akron, Indiana
6:30 p.m.

Minutes

Prior to calling the meeting to order, Bryan Murphy led devotions.

The meeting was called to order by President Bryan Murphy and revealed all members present along with Brett Boggs, superintendent, Dr. Dan Kramer, assistant superintendent and Jessica McFarland, recording secretary

Mr. Murphy announced the upcoming meetings: June 23, 2014, CPF Workshop, Administration Office, 7:00 pm.; July 14, 2014 regular meeting, Administration Office, 6:30 p.m.; August 11, 2014, regular meeting, Administration Office, 6:30 p.m.; September 8, 2014, regular meeting, Mentone Elementary School, 6:30 p.m.

Spotlight on the Valley:

Robert Hinkle was recognized for his years of service with TVSC. Mr. Hinkle retired after 44 years with the Tippecanoe Valley School Corporation.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

- ❖ Approval of the minutes of May 12, 2014 regular meeting and executive session
- ❖ Accepted the hiring for the following personnel:
 - Dr. Michael Bendicsen, Principal, TVHS
 - Ashley Hohman, First Grade Teacher, Akron Elementary
 - Chris Rassi, Fourth Grade Teacher, Akron Elementary
- ❖ Accepted the resignation of the following personnel:
 - Scott Bibler, Junior Class Sponsor, TVHS
 - Troy Eaton, 7th Grade Boys Basketball Coach & Foot Assistant, TVMS
 - Buddy Busby, Swim Coach, TVHS
 - Jeffrey Sprunger, Student Council Sponsor, TVMS
 - Amber New, Cook, Akron Elementary
 - April Stiles, 8th Grade Volleyball Coach, TVMS
 - Heather Caudill, Cook, TVMS
- ❖ Approved the retirement for Robert Hinkle, 8th Grade Math Teacher, TVMS
- ❖ Approved the adoption of the Easy Tech Digital Literacy Curriculum for Grades K-8
- ❖ Approved the textbook fees for 2014-2015 school year
- ❖ Approved 2014 summer school contracts
- ❖ Approved TVHS FFA overnight achievement trip
- ❖ Approved the reappointment of Priscilla Burdge to the Akron Carnegie Public Library Board
- ❖ Approved Title I grant application in the amount of \$297,005.57
- ❖ Approved 2014-2015 lunch prices

Mark Wise first requested that the approval of the TVHS band trip to Memphis, TN be pulled for further discussion.

Dave O'Brien made the motion to approve the above consent items. Tom Craft seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mark Wise requested further information regarding the band trip. Janell Riner, Band Director at TVHS, explained that 24 students from TVHS will be joining other bands to perform at the halftime of the Liberty Bowl. She also explained that there will be fundraising opportunities for the students to participate in to help pay for the trip. Mark Wise commented that this will be an excellent opportunity for the band and made the motion to approve the trip. Rod Eaton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boggs reviewed claims and payroll and asked for approval. Dave O'Brien made a motion to approve the claims and payroll, as presented. Tom Craft seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boggs reviewed the Financial Report for the Board.

Items from Visitors: None

Old Business: During the May Board meeting, Meagan Wilks presented the Seclusion and Restraint policy for TVSC. The Board was asked to review the policy and approve the policy during the June Meeting. Mark Wise made a motion to approve the Seclusion and Restraint Policy and Dave O'Brien seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boggs presented an updated School Board Policy on vacations and holidays for full-time 12 month employees. Rod Eaton made a motion to approve the updated policy and Tom Craft seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Jon Hutton presented an update on the progressive F policy at TVHS. Mr. Hutton revealed that the new policy has raised the bar with students at TVHS but may still have some room for improvement. In the future he wants to be able to contact students before the grades become final to give them a final chance to improve the grade and continue to participate in the extra-curricular activity. His concerns are that once a student becomes ineligible from an activity, they won't strive to become reinstated. His goal is for the coaches to get more involved and to make it easier for students and parents to obtain and monitor grades.

New Business: Mr. Boggs presented the United Way Grant for 2014-2015 school year for the Board to approve. United Way of Kosciusko County has awarded TVSC \$17,913 to fund afterschool programs at Akron and Mentone. Mark Wise made the motion to accept the United Way Grant and Dave O'Brien seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boggs made a presentation to Dr. Kramer acknowledging his retirement and years of service at TVSC. Dr. Kramer started at as a Principal at Akron Elementary for 9 years and then at Mentone Elementary for 4 Years. The remaining 22 years was spent at the Central Office. After Dr. Kramer spoke to the Board regarding his time here at TVSC, he was presented a gift from the Board.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Bryan Murphy, President

Mark Wise, Vice President

Dave O'Brien, Secretary

Rod Eaton, Member

Tom Craft, Member