

TIPPECANOE VALLEY SCHOOL CORPORATION

January 20, 2014
Burket Educational Service Center
5095 S 700 W
Burket, Indiana
6:30 p.m.

Minutes

Prior to calling the meeting to order, Rick Stewart of the Palestine Bible Church led devotions.

The meeting was called to order by President Bryan Murphy and revealed all members present along with Brett Boggs, Superintendent, Dr. Daniel Kramer, Assistant Superintendent, Jessica McFarland, recording secretary and Brandon Murphy, student representative.

Mr. Murphy announced the upcoming meetings: February 10, 2014 regular meeting, Tippecanoe Valley Middle School, 6:30 p.m.; March 10, 2014 regular meeting, Tippecanoe Valley High School, 6:30 p.m.; April 14, 2014, regular meeting, Akron Elementary, 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Murphy led the reorganization of the school board by first taking nominations for president. Dave O'Brien nominated Bryan Murphy for president and Tom Craft seconded the nomination. Mark Wise made a motion to close nominations and Dave O'Brien seconded the motion. The nomination for president passed 4-0. Mr. Murphy then took nominations for vice president. Dave O'Brien nominated Mark Wise for vice president and Tom Craft seconded the nomination. Rod Eaton made a motion to close nominations and Dave O'Brien seconded the motion. The nomination for vice president passed 4-0. Lastly, Mr. Murphy took nominations for secretary. Tom Craft nominated Dave O'Brien for secretary and Rod Eaton seconded the motion. Mark made a motion to close the nominations. The nomination for secretary passed 4-0.

Mr. Boggs then recommended that the Board approve the appointment of Jessica McFarland, Corporation Treasurer. Mark Wise made the motion and Dave O'Brien seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board then voted on school board meeting times for 2014. After a brief discussion, Mark Wise made the motion to change the meeting times to 7:00 p.m. and Rod Eaton seconded the motion. The motion failed to pass by a 2-3 vote. Dave O'Brien made the motion to keep the meeting times at 6:30 p.m. and Tom Craft seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-2 vote.

Spotlight on the Valley: Mr. Micah Lukens presented highlights for the year from Burket Educational Service Center. He reported that currently 42 students are enrolled and has had 6 students graduate so far this school year. He is hoping that the total number of graduates this year is between 15-20 students. He recognized Nicole Baugh and Austin Leasure, two outstanding students from Burket. Both students have worked hard in the classroom to obtain credits towards graduation.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

- ❖ Approval of the minutes of December 9 2013 regular meeting and executive session
- ❖ Accepted the resignation of the following personnel:
 - Mary Estep, Custodian, Mentone Elementary
 - Joy Holder, Instructional Assistant, Mentone Elementary
 - Madison Mullenix, Instructional Assistant, Akron Elementary
 - Joann Harshman, Head Cook, TVMS
 - Brittani Bush-Garber, 5th Grade Girls Basketball Coach, Akron Elementary
 - Troy Eaton, Golf Coach, TVMS
 - Brook Price, Instructional Assistant, Mentone Elementary
 - Jeff Shriver, Head Football Coach, TVHS
- ❖ Approved the retirement of the following personnel:
 - Dr. Daniel V. Kramer, Assistant Superintendent, TVSC

- ❖ Accepted the hiring for the following personnel:
 - Ashley Hohman, Instructional Assistant, Akron Elementary
 - Caitlin Mersch, Cook, Akron Elementary
 - Heather Wilson, Cook, TVHS
 - Alyssa VanMeter, Custodian, TVHS
 - Allison Rice, Speech and Language Assistant, TVSC
 - Blaine Conley, Assistant Superintendent, TVSC
- ❖ Approved the following extra-curricular assignments:
 - Debbie Johnston, Adult Education Director, TVSC
 - Jeff Shriver, Adult Education Director, TVSC
 - Mirannnda Mullenix, 5th Grade Girls Basketball Coach, Akron Elementary
- ❖ Approved out-of-state national conference on professional learning communities for administrators
- ❖ Approved out-of-state football coaching clinic for Scott Bibler, Darren Parker, and Jeff Sprunger

Tom Craft made the motion to approve the above consent items. Mark Wise seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boggs reviewed claims and payroll and asked for approval. Mark Wise was concerned regarding the timing of a mileage claim. After a brief discussion, the Board requested a policy stating that mileage claims should not be for more than a three month time frame. Mark Wise made a motion to approve the claims and payroll, as presented. Dave O'Brien seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boggs reviewed the Financial Report for the Board.

Items from Visitors: Julie Canada asked if TVSC was applying for the waiver from the State of Indiana for the days missed due to the snow storm. Mr. Boggs explained that we have applied for the waiver and will use it only if we cancel more student days than we have allotted for in the school calendar. He explained that it is TVSC's goal for students to attend school 180 days. If no additional student days are cancelled, by students attending school on Presidents' Day, the goal of 180 student days will be achieved without any additional make-up days.

Old Business: None

New Business: Mr. Boggs presented for initial consideration an updated non-resident student transfer policy. After explaining the new requirements and changes to the application, Mark Wise questioned wording within the policy. After the changes were noted, the policy should read "The building principal and superintendent may deny a transfer request based on one or more of the following criteria." The change will be made and brought back to the Board in February for final approval.

Each principal presented their school's 2013-2014 School Improvement Plan (SIP) and gave highlights to the Board. The Department of Education requires that each school submit a SIP once a year. Dave O'Brien made a motion to approve the plans as presented and Mark Wise seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boggs presented the report on the A-F Accountability Report Card that was released on December 20, 2013. A more detailed presentation along with a public hearing will be held at the February 10, 2014 board meeting at TVMS.

Mr. Boggs presented the resolution to transfer appropriations to the Board for their approval. After Dr. Kramer read the resolution, Rod Eaton made a motion and Dave O'Brien seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boggs presented the miscellaneous salary schedule for the Board's approval. The schedule included a change to substitute wages from \$7.25 per hour to \$8.00 per hour and a detailed schedule for academic support positions. Tom Craft made the motion to approve the salary schedule and Mark Wise seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boggs requested the Board approve Scott Backus as the new principal for the Tippecanoe Valley Middle School, effective July 1, 2014. Mark Wise made the motion to approve Scott Backus and Dave O'Brien seconded that motion. The motion carried unanimously.

In closing, Brandon Murphy, student representative, reported that the high school students are getting used to the new computer devices and have almost worked out all the kinks.

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