

TIPPECANOE VALLEY SCHOOL CORPORATION

November 11, 2013
Mentone Elementary
301 E Jackson St
Mentone, Indiana
6:30 p.m.

Minutes

Prior to calling the meeting to order, Pastor Terry Canfield 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: December 9, 2013, regular meeting, Mentone Elementary School, 6:30 p.m.; January 13, 2014 regular meeting, Burket Educational Center, 6:30 p.m.; February 10, 2014, regular meeting, Tippecanoe Valley Middle School, 6:30 p.m.

Spotlight on the Valley: Mrs. Anglin, guidance counselor at TVHS, introduced Janiece Stover of the North Central Indiana Area Health Education Center to provide an overview of the Youth Health Service Corp (YHSC) at Tippecanoe Valley High School. Mrs. Stover explained that the mission of the YHSC is to increase the number of students who pursue education or careers in the healthcare field. Students are able to receive medical training and certifications through the class. They are also required to develop a service project identifying medically at-risk areas within their community. Juan Baca and Jonah Mikel, students at TVHS, presented their thoughts on the program at TVHS.

Mr. Conley presented the 2013 TVMS Spell Bowl team that recently won the Indiana Academic Spell Bowl Junior Division hosted by TVMS. Through their hard work and diligent efforts, the team has qualified to go to the state finals this weekend at Purdue University.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

- ❖ Approval of the minutes of October 15, 2013 regular meeting and executive session
- ❖ Accepted the resignation of the following personnel:
 - Todd Volk, 6th Grade Girls Basketball, TVMS
 - Daniel Ramsey, C-Team Boys Basketball, TVHS
- ❖ Accepted the hiring for the following personnel:
 - Dusti Sweet, Study Hall Monitor, TVMS
 - Bandi Turpen, Instructional Assistant, Mentone Elementary
 - Shannon McSherry, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Mentone Elementary
 - Brooke Price, Instructional Assistant, Mentone Elementary
 - Audrey Willard, Custodian, TVMS
 - Sonja Beck, Cook, TVMS
- ❖ Approved the following extra-curricular assignments:
 - David Lash, 6th Grade Boys Basketball, TVMS
 - Troy Eaton, 7th Grade Boys Basketball, TVMS
- ❖ Approved the maternity leave for the following personnel:
 - Melody Rockhill, Special Education Teacher, Akron Elementary
 - Rebecca Hartzler, Treasurer, Mentone Elementary

Dave O'Brien 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. Tom Craft made a motion to approve the claims and payroll, as presented. Rod Eaton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boggs reviewed the Financial Report for the Board.

Items from Visitors: None

Old Business: Mr. Boggs reviewed the student discipline rule and the school board policy on bullying as well as the revision to the school board policy on "Absence of Duty." After a brief discussion, it was decided to change the scope

of the anti-bullying policy to read “any school” as opposed to “a school” within the corporation. Dave O’Brien made a motion to approve both policies with the above noted change and Mark Wise seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business: Mr. Boggs reported that the Indiana Department of Homeland Security awarded Tippecanoe Valley School Corporation a \$50,000 grant to be used to address safety and security needs identified during the School Safety Audit last spring. The Board commended the efforts of Jon Hutton, Scott Backus, Todd Glenn and Keith Lang for their work in obtaining this grant.

Mr. Boggs presented a new policy on staff use of social media for the board’s initial consideration. He also presented a revision to board policy relating to the administration use of corporation credit cards. Mr. Boggs asked the board to look over the new policies and approve them both in December.

Mr. Boggs also wanted to remind everyone in attendance of the “QPR Training Suicide Prevention” training taking place at every building during the months of November and December. The training will be conducted by Hunter Randall of the Bowen Center and open to the public.

In closing, Brandon Murphy, student representative, reported that the tablets were distributed at the end of October to all students. He noted that the bugs are being worked out and that the tablets seem to simplify work at the high school. Mr. Boggs recognized Brandon for being named to the TRC Academic All-Conference football team.

It was also noted that on November 19th the English 9A class will hold a memoir/art gallery to raise funds for the Wounded Warrior Project.

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