

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Dave O'Brien and revealed all members present; along with Brett Boggs, Superintendent; Daniel Kramer, Assistant Superintendent; Sherri Adamson, recording secretary; and student representatives Susy Contreras and Stephanie Shriver.

Mr. O'Brien announced the upcoming meetings: December 14, 2009, regular meeting, Mentone Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.; and January 18, 2010, regular meeting, Burket Educational Center, 7:30 p.m.; February 8, 2010, regular meeting, Tippecanoe Valley Middle School, 7:30 p.m.

During Spotlight on Valley, John Ekhoft, Corporation Coach for Positive Behavioral Interventions System, presented to the Board the components of the program and a brief description of the program at each building. Mr. Boggs indicated his appreciation to Mr. Ekhoft's leadership as the coach for the program and indicated cultural changes in schools need to be in place to make positive school climate changes and improve student achievement.

Also, during Spotlight on Valley, Mr. Boggs thanked the Fulton County and Kosciusko County Health Department; Mentone local officials; Debbie Potter, Corporation Nurse, Lora Swanson, Leanna Bell, and LaVada Butt, School Nurses; and Mr. Blaine Conley and Mrs. Catherine Miller, Building Principals for their assistance in implementing the H1N1 vaccination clinics on October 22.

Mr. Boggs indicated the few days before the conduction of the clinic, attendance in the corporation was as low as 88%. Following the clinic and Fall Break, attendance increased to 95% and is currently 97%, corporation wise. Mr. Boggs said the corporation was pretty fortunate the flu epidemic had not been so prevalent in the corporation and hopes to conduct future clinics.

Bryan Murphy made a motion to approve the consent agenda as follows: approved the minutes of the October 12, 2009, regular meeting and executive session; approved the following personnel: Margaret Carter, Tammy Freeman, and Lisa Hammond, Instructional Assistants at Mentone and Kimberly Long, part time custodian, TVHS; approved Kalynn Cumberland, Grade 8 Girls' Basketball Coach, TVMS; accepted resignations from Debbie Craig, Cook, Akron; Shelly Feldman, Grade 7 Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach; Angie Gast, Instructional Assistant, TVHS; accept the resignation of Susan Eller, Language Arts Teacher, TVMS; approved maternity leave requests for Tabitha Floor and Hayley Whitaker. Mark Wise seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boggs reviewed claims and payroll and asked for approval. Hal Hoffman made a motion to approve the claims and payroll, as presented. Rod Eaton seconded the motion. Being no further discussion, motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boggs reviewed the Financial Report for the Board.

Being no old business, Mr. Boggs presented for review a change to School Board Policy – Family Medical Leave. The changes will be presented at the December meeting for approval.

Mr. Boggs invited the Board to the Educational Summit on November 17 at 7:00 a.m. Presentations by Project Lead the Way students and instructor, Doug Heinold will be presented.

Mr. Boggs presented the Board members with a plaque awarded by Indiana School Board's Association for the Board recent achievement as Master School Board.

In other new business, Mr. Wise made a motion to approve a request for the use of the softball field and auxiliary gym on Sunday afternoons from December through April by John Strong, Softball Coach. Mr. Eaton seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The student representatives indicated the high school play; "Revenge of the Nerds" will be presented this Friday and Saturday at the high school.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Dave O'Brien, President

Hal Hoffman, Vice President

Mark Wise, Secretary

Rod Eaton, Board Member

Bryan Murphy, Board Member