

**TIPPECANOE VALLEY SCHOOL CORPORATION**

December 7, 2015  
Mentone Elementary School  
Public Meeting Room  
301 E Jackson St  
Mentone, Indiana  
6:00 p.m.

**Minutes**

Before the meeting was called to order, Tom Craig from the Silver Creek Church of God led devotions.

The meeting was called to order by President Bryan Murphy and revealed all members present along with Brett Boggs, superintendent, Blaine Conley, assistant superintendent, Jessica McFarland, recording secretary and Jonathon Engle, student representative.

Mr. Murphy announced the upcoming meetings: January 18, 2016, Regular Meeting, Burket Educational Center, 6:00 p.m.; February 8, 2016, Regular Meeting, Tippecanoe Valley Middle School, 6:00 p.m.; March 14, 2016, Regular Meeting, Tippecanoe Valley High School, 6:00 p.m.

**Spotlight on the Valley:**

Mr. Boggs introduced Shelly Holloway and Mason Veach as the Pillar Award recipients for Outstanding Support Staff. He also introduced Krystyna Martin as the World Class Teacher Award recipient. All three award recipients received a framed certificate for their accomplishment.

Items from Visitors: None

**Approval of Consent Agenda:**

- ❖ Approval of the minutes of November 9, 2015 regular meeting and executive session
- ❖ Accepted the hiring for the following personnel:
  - Kelsey Miller, Cook, TVHS
  - Vanessa Gordon, Instructional Assistant, Akron Elementary
  - Hali Kruger, Cook, Akron Elementary
- ❖ Approval of the following extra-curricular assignments:
  - Patti Newman, School Improvement Steering Committee, Mentone Elementary
  - Karissa Cody, School Improvement Steering Committee, Mentone Elementary
- ❖ Accepted the resignation of the following personnel:
  - Brenda Alderfer, Instructional Assistant, TVHS
  - Jennifer Randall, Instructional Assistant, Akron Elementary
  - Karen Wright, Cook, TVHS
- ❖ Approved agreement with Gradway

Dave O'Brien made the motion to approve the above consent items as presented and Stan Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Mr. Boggs reviewed the Financial Report for the Board.

Old Business: Adam Weesner from Barton, Coe, Vilamaa and Chris Muvceski from Skillman Corporation were on hand to provide a brief update on the Akron building project. Adam noted that the project is right on budget as of now and that all engineering and drawings are moving forward. Chris noted that by the January meeting the Board will have final design drawings and the Board will approve the final design estimate in February.

Mr. Boggs asked for the Boards' approval for the naming of facilities board policy that was originally brought to the Board for initial review last month. Dave O'Brien made the motion and Stan Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business: Mr. Conley introduced Dr. Mary Bales from the University of Notre Dame. Dr. Bales and her research team will be conducting a climate audit at TVSC through a confidential survey and employee interviews. The goal is to provide results, broken down by job area, on how employees truly feel about their work experience.

Keith Lang, Director of Technology, presented the new phone system that will be installed by January 5, 2015. Mr. Lang explained that the current system is so old that getting replacement parts is costly and impossible. The new phone system will be a Voice over IP and will be installed and maintained by Rochester Telephone Company. TVSC has already started and will continue to notify everyone of this change and the new phone numbers associated with each building.

Mr. Boggs asked for the Board to approve the following KEYS grants: Ryan Adams, Akron, tickets to see Seussical the Musical, \$264; Layne Early, Mentone, books for 5<sup>th</sup> grade classroom library, \$500; Shelly Engle, TVHS, young adult books for classroom library, \$1,057; Staci Revere, TVMS/TVHS, books for low-level readers, \$425. Tom Craft made a motion to approve the KEYS grants and Todd Hoffman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

In conclusion, Johnathon Engle, student representative, noted that the winter sports are in full swing at the High School. He also noted that everyone is gearing up for end of course assessments and finals.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Bryan Murphy, President

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Dave O'Brien, Vice-President

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Tom Craft, Secretary

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Stan Miller, Board Member

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Todd Hoffman, Board Member