

TIPPECANOE VALLEY SCHOOL CORPORATION

April 15, 2013
Akron Elementary School
202 N. Rural Street
Akron, Indiana
6:30 p.m.

Minutes

Prior to calling the meeting to order, Tom Craig, Silver Creek 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, and Jessica McFarland, recording secretary.

Mr. Murphy announced the upcoming meetings: May 13, regular meeting at Mentone Elementary School, 6:30 p.m.; June 10, regular meeting, Administration Office, 6:30 p.m.; July 8, regular meeting at the Administration Office, 6:30 p.m.

Spotlight on the Valley-Mrs. Mills, Principal at Akron Elementary School was introduced. Mrs. Mills recognized the following groups and individuals:

- ❖ Akron Pride Council, Grades 1-5
- ❖ Akron Spell Bowl Team
- ❖ Akron Math Team
- ❖ Jesse Wietzel, Winner Akron Spelling Bee
- ❖ Domingo Santiago, Runner-up Akron Spelling Bee
- ❖ Taylor Biddle and Payton Mills, American Legion Essay Winners
- ❖ Andie Schwenger, Jesse Scott, Andrew Burke, & Grant Skeans for achieving IREAD 3 Perfect Scores
- ❖ ISTEP+ Perfect Scores

Approval of Consent Agenda:

- ❖ Approval of the minutes of March 11, 2013 regular meeting and executive session
- ❖ Approved the hiring of the following personnel:
Gene Noble, Assistant Bus Mechanic
- ❖ Approved the resignation of the following personnel:
Benjamin Kawsy, Biology Teacher, TVHS
- ❖ Approved extracurricular assignment of the following personnel:
Erik Russell, Assistant JV Baseball Coach, TVHS
Rosten Hamman, Assistant Tennis Coach, TVHS
- ❖ Approved maternity leave for Ashlee Parker, Kindergarten Teacher, Mentone Elementary
- ❖ Approved appointment of Corporation Treasurer, Jessica McFarland
- ❖ Approved 2013 school bus order
- ❖ Approved 2013 summer driver education proposal
- ❖ Approve 2013 summer school

After a brief discussion, Tom Craft made the motion to table approval of the revised transportation salaries and benefits. Dave O'Brien seconded that motion. The motion passed with three board members agreeing and two opposing the motion. Tom Craft made the motion to approve the above consent items and Dave O'Brien seconded the motion. 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. Rod Eaton seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boggs reviewed the Financial Report for the Board.

Items from Visitors: None

Old Business: Mr. Boggs presented and highlighted the 2013-2014 school year master calendar. Mark Wise made a motion to approve the master calendar, as presented. Dave O'Brien seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business: Mr. Boggs informed the board of the Kosciusko Endowment Youth Services (KEYS) grants recipients. Dave O'Brien made a motion to accept the KEYS grants and Mark Wise seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Miller presented Benchmark Literacy by Benchmark Education, as the 2013-2014 new reading resource used for kindergarten and grades 1, 3, and 5. For handwriting, Akron and Mentone will re-adopt Zaner Bloser's 3rd Grade

Writing Handbook. Tom Craft made the motion to adopt the presented resources for reading and handwriting and Mark Wise seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Mills presented the results from the Spring IREAD 3 results. Akron Elementary had 81% of students pass and Mentone Elementary had 86% of students pass. She also acknowledged twelve students who received a perfect score on the test. Mrs. Mills then explained the process for the students who did not pass the test which includes intense intervention and summer school.

Mrs. Rassi and Mr. Doehrmann presented the progress on the One-to-One Project at TVHS. Mrs. Rassi explained that after a network assessment, several upgrades will be made to the network to support the new computers. These upgrades will be completed this summer. Mr. Doehrmann explained that a final decision had not been made on the device to be used but would like to choose a product that would support Windows.

The following principals/assistant principals presented changes on the student and staff handbook: Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Mills, Mr. Backus, and Mr. Hutton. Several changes were highlighted from the elementary, middle school and high school handbooks. Following the summary of changes, Mark Wise wanted to discuss possibly changing the grading standards for high school athletes. Mr. Hutton agreed to research other school's policies as well as the legal aspects of changing the policy.

Mr. Boggs reviewed the revisions to the policies relating to the Board of Education. No further discussion was made related to this topic.

Mrs. Rassi presented an updated Faculty and Staff Internet Safety and Acceptable Use Policy. Dave O'Brien made a motion to approve the new policy and Tom Craft seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boggs informed the board of the Medtronic Grant that was awarded to TVHS in the amount of \$10,000. Mark Wise made the motion to accept the Medtronic Grant and Dave O'Brien seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Other New Business: Mr. Boggs informed the board of a Sunday facility use request by the Tippecanoe Valley Aquatic Club. Rod Eaton made a motion to approve the Sunday facility use and Tom Craft seconded the motion. The Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boggs notified the board of the Building Trade open house on Sunday May 19, 2013 from 1:00pm-4:00pm.

Mr. Boggs informed the school board of the Mental Health First Aid class taking place at TVMS on April 23, 25, 30 and May 2 from 6:00pm-9:00pm. This class is open to anyone and is free of charge. He encouraged everyone to pass the word along regarding the classes offered.

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