

TIPPECANOE VALLEY SCHOOL CORPORATION

May 13, 2013
Mentone Elementary School
301 E Jackson Street
Mentone, Indiana
6:30 p.m.

Minutes

Prior to calling the meeting to order, Bryan Murphy led the Pledge of Allegiance and 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: June 10, regular meeting, Administration Office, 6:30 p.m.; July 8, regular meeting at the Administration Office, 6:30 p.m.; August 12, regular meeting, Administration Office, 6:30 p.m.; Building Trades open house, Sunday May 19; TVHS baccalaureate and commencement at 2:00 p.m. & 2:45 p.m., respectively; Capital projects fund workshop, June 24, Administration Office, 7:00 p.m.

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

- ❖ Mentone Student Council
- ❖ Mentone Office Helpers
- ❖ Akron Math Team
- ❖ Mentone Spelling Bee Winner and Runner Up
- ❖ IREAD 3 Perfect Scores
- ❖ No Bully Bulldogs
- ❖ Instgrok-Staci Revere
- ❖ Nearpod-Alicia Bradley

TVHS American Studies Class presented their project with the Prill School and Pioneer Day. Mr. Boggs recognized TVHS for receiving the IHSAA Sportsmanship Award for the 2011-2012 athletic season. This was the third year TVHS has received the award. Mr. Backus and Mr. Hutton were recognized for recently completing the requirements for certification as School Safety Specialists by the Indiana School Safety Specialist Academy.

The following retirees were recognized for their years of service to Tippecanoe Valley Community Schools: Dianne Pearson, Terri Klotz, and Jon Parker.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

- ❖ Approval of the minutes of April 15, 2013 regular meeting and executive session
- ❖ Accepted the resignation of the following personnel:
 - Abbey Sponseller, Teacher, Akron Elementary
 - Buddy Busby, Swim Coach, TVHS
- ❖ Accepted the retirement of the following personnel:
 - Terri Klotz, Teacher, TVHS
 - Jon Parker, Teacher, TVHS
 - Dianne Pearson, Teacher, Akron Elementary
- ❖ Approved maternity leave for the following personnel:
 - Nichole Finn, Teacher, Mentone Elementary
 - Jeanna Lidecker, Teacher, Little Vikings Developmental Preschool
- ❖ Approved extracurricular assignment of the following personnel:
 - Jeff Hoover, Assistant Track Coach, TVMS
 - Jill Stutzman, Assistant Track Coach, TVMS

After a brief discussion, Mark Wise made the motion to table the approval of the revisions of policies relating to the Board of Education. Dave O'Brien seconded that motion. The motion passed unanimously. Dave O'Brien made the motion to approve the above consent items and Mark Wise seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Mr. Boggs reviewed the Financial Report for the Board.

Items from Visitors: Joe Secrist expressed an interest from several parents to create a parent organization at TVHS. According to Mr. Secrist, the organization would support all programs within the high school and be a way for parents to get involved. After a brief discussion, Mr. Boggs recommended that the first step would be to create bylaws that would be brought to the school board for approval.

Chris Zolman, a coach for 18 years at TVSC, explained his version of an incident that occurred at an open gym last summer.

Old Business: Mr. Hutton presented a report on grading standards for area high school athletics. After discussion regarding grading standards, the board requested that Mr. Hutton bring a few options for approval at next month's meeting. Mark Wise made a motion to approve the High School, Middle School and Elementary Student and Staff Handbooks. Tom Craft seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business: Mr. Doehrmann and Mrs. Rassi presented a summary of the 1:1 project at TVHS and the current options for leasing. Mrs. Rassi also presented the following recommendations to the Board: approve use of Worth Group for device insurance, approve yearly hiring of a senior ICE student & internship positions, approve student technology fee for \$100/year, approve lease for 750 Acer Iconia W5 Tablets through Providence Capital. Then Dr. Kramer presented the two leasing options and the costs associated with each option. The two options presented were a staggered 4-year lease or a 4 year lease with annual, equal payments. Rod Eaton made a motion to accept the 4 year lease with annual, equal payments along with the other items detailed by Mrs. Rassi. Mark Wise seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Boggs presented the board with the revised transportation salaries and benefits. The recommendation included creating a new "Class C" for drivers hired after June 1, 2013. These drivers would not be offered health insurance but would be paid an additional \$20 per day. Regular Class A drivers can choose to become a Class C driver and Class B drivers must either become a Class A driver or Class C driver, eliminating Class B drivers. Class C drivers would not have the option to become Class A drivers. Tom Craft made the motion to accept the creation of Class C bus drivers as presented. Mark Wise made the motion to keep Class B drivers and give current bus drivers the option to join Class C. Rod Eaton seconded the motion. The motion did not pass with a vote of 2-3. Dave O'Brien seconded Tom Craft's original motion. The motion passed with a 3-2 vote.

Mr. Boggs and the Board recognized Courtney Newsome for serving two years as the High School student representative. She was presented with a card and an engraved Cross pen and pencil set.

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