

July 10, 2018

TO: Media

FROM: Dr. Ed Eiler, Tri-County School Corporation

RE: Regular School Board Meeting & Executive Session, Monday, July 9, 2018.

The Tri-County School Board met for their Regular meeting on Monday, July 9, 2018.

The following topics were covered:

1. Under the Board Committee Report, Mr. Gerber announced that the RWCDC triathlon went very well on the 4th of July and the next RWCDC meeting is scheduled for August.
2. Gib Crimmins, Clerk of the Works, and Joe Briggs, Gibraltar Design, updated the Board on the current construction project. Several of the smaller projects will be done during Fall Break and quotes on the Jr/Sr High School lockers are due next Monday, July 16. Plans are to relocate the flag pole at the Jr/Sr High School and the bathroom partitions may be done at the same time as the installation of the lockers. The Band room and the Ag Area may be a bigger project than expected and may be done at a later time. The Pool requires more work than anticipated with more cost. Bids have been sent out for the Band room, Ag room, Girls Restrooms and for securing the entrance at Tri-County Primary School with hopes of awarding bids in September. The high school entrance and Primary entrance may be done together to get companies to bid on the project. Plans for total completion on the project will be May 1, 2019.
3. The Board approved the changes to Board policy 8750 which reads as follows:
“Notwithstanding any other language in this or any other policy, the Board agrees that in the event any board member or administrator is sued, is involved in any lawsuit, legal action, legal or administrative proceeding or demand for judgment relating to any incident that arose while the superintendent was acting in his individual capacity or in his official capacity as an agent and/or employee of the board, excluding criminal litigation, and said lawsuit, legal action, legal or administrative proceeding, or demand for judgement is initiated during or after the end of the superintendent’s contract he board shall defend, hold harmless and indemnify the superintendent from any and all demands, claims, suits, actions, judgments and legal proceedings brought against the superintendent including paying for the expense of legal representation retained by the superintendent. In addition, in the event the school corporation changes insurance carriers the corporation shall elect the option to extend the period of time for the corporation’s directors and officers error and omissions liability coverage.”
4. The Board approved the NEOLA Policies that was reviewed by the Board from the June Board meeting and in addition the change to Policy 4434 Support Staff Holidays. The current policy does not list New Years Day as a holiday, which is an established practice for Support Staff employed for 12 months to be treated for New Years Day as a holiday. To be compliant with Board policy the Board approved including New Years Day as a holiday for Support Staff employed for 12 months.
5. The Board approved the following resignations:
J. R. Haskins, TCI 6th Grade Math and Science Teacher, effective August 6, 2018
Kathy Childress, TCP Instructional Assistant, effective July 9, 2018
Rhonda Smith, TCP Instructional Assistant, effective July 9, 2018

6. The Board approved the Maternity Leave request from Mrs. Laurel Sheets, 1st Grade teacher, from approximately August 29, 2018 and to return twelve (12) weeks later.
7. The Board approved the employment of Mrs. Jill Bahler for the Tri-County intermediate School 6th Grade Teaching position for the 2018-19 school year.
8. The Board approved the employment of Mrs. Lily Bouwkamp for the Tri-County Jr/Sr High School Spanish Teaching position for the 2018-19 school year.
9. The Board approved the employment of Mrs. Sarah Turner for the Tri-County Intermediate School 5th Grade Teaching position for the 2018-19 school year.
10. The Board approved the employment of Mrs. Nora Bodine for the Tri-County Intermediate School cook position for the 2018-19 school year.
11. The Board approved the employment of Mrs. Gina Anderson for the Substitute Teacher Coordinator position for the 2018-19 school year.
12. Dr. Eiler announced the following transfers, beginning with the 2018-19 school year:
 Tinika Whitcomb, from Life Skills at the high school to the Head Cook at TCP
 Lou Blanchette, from cook at TCI to Head Cook at TCI
13. The Board tabled to adjust Administrator Contracts by a 3% increase beginning with the administrator's 2018-19 contracts, until the August Board meeting.
14. The Board approved the 2018-19 school lunch prices as follows (an increase of \$.10):

Grades K-6	\$2.60
Grades 7-12	\$2.70
Adults	\$3.40
15. The Board approved to accept Aunt Millie's Bakeries as our bread supplier and Prairie Farms as our milk supplier for the 2018-19 school year.
16. The Board approved the Textbook Rental fees for the 2018-19 school year as follows:

Preparatory Kindergarten	\$83.00
Kindergarten	\$110.00
Grade 1	\$127.00
Grade 2	\$115.00
Grade 3	\$121.00
Grade 4	\$122.00
Grade 5	\$117.00
Grade 6	\$104.00
17. The Board granted permission to Dr. Eiler to fill any last minute openings that may come up for the 2018-19 school year, from the date of the July Board meeting through the date of the August Board meeting.

18. The Board approved the following bonds:

Superintendent	\$75,000
Treasurer	\$75,000
Assistant Treasurer	\$75,000
Secretary/Treasurer	\$ 6,000
Cafeteria Cashier	\$ 6,000
3 Building Secretaries	\$ 1,000 each

19. The Board approved the adoption of the following resolution regarding gift cards:

“Whereas; the Board of School Trustees of the Tri-County School Corporation may authorize gift card purchases, Be It Hereby Resolved: the purchase and issuance of gift cards for the following specific purposes: supplies, materials, equipment, clothing, food, gasoline or items that could be used to reward or incentivize students or parents may be made provided the purchase and issuance of gift cards are handled by an official or employee designated in writing by the school superintendent (for corporation purchases) or school principal (for extracurricular accounts), are not used to bypass the accounting system and procedures for payments are handled no different than for any other claim. The designated official or employee shall maintain a log which includes the name of the business from which the gift cards were purchased, their amounts, fund and account number to be charged, date the card was issued, person to whom the gift card was issued and proof the gift card was received by the person receiving the gift card.”

20. The Board granted permission to apply for all Federal Grants including, but limited to:

Title I, Title II, Title IV, IDEA Part B Section 611 & 619 and Part C as well as the Carl Perkins Career & Technical Education Grant

21. The Board approved an Out of State Field Trip Request, by Mr. J.R. Haskins to go to Chicago, Illinois, to the Museum of Science and Industry on July 11 or July 13, 2018.

22. The Board approved Administrator Assistance to help them search for a Superintendent.

23. The Board granted permission to advertise for fuel bids for the 2018-19 school year.

24. The Board approved an Overnight Field Trip Request, by Mrs. Mandy Taulman to take the 6th Grade students to Camp Tecumseh, to participate in the Foundations for Success program on August 27-28, 2018.

25. Dr. Eiler reported to the Board members that he had received a Technology report from Mrs. Shannon Kelly, Technology Director and reported that Vermillion Systems completed installing the new security cameras at each school, however, the last storm took down the server that manages the cameras so we are working with support on this issue. There were twenty-one teachers who participated in the 2 day Google, Level I Certification boot camp training, and to date only one teacher who has taken the certification exam. The ISTE conference was June 24-27, with an overwhelming amount of sessions to attend. The team of 7 packed in as many sessions as we could, and brought back many notes that we need to organize and prepare to share with our peers. There was already discussion about how pieces of the sessions attended could be brought back and implemented into the classrooms before we left. Mrs. Kelly reported that they are continuing working on the typical summer list preparing for the next school year. Dr. Eiler reported that he has met with the administrators and also Mrs. Mandy Taulman and everyone has been wonderful and he is very excited about being here at Tri-County. Dr.

Eiler thanked everyone for the opportunity and also reported that he will not help in the search for a new Superintendent.