

January 9, 2018

TO: Media

FROM: Dr. Kathy Goad, Tri-County School Corporation

RE: Executive Session and Regular School Board Meeting, Monday, January 8, 2018.

The Tri-County School Board met for their Regular meeting on Monday, January 8, 2018.
The following topics were covered:

1. Ms. Hall and Mrs. Lexi McClure announced the Students of the Month:
Tri-County Primary School – Ella Schneider, Cale Nesius

Mr. Hagan announced the Students of the Month:
Tri-County Intermediate School – Wynter Perry, Carter McMorro

Mr. McCracken announced the Students of the Month:
Fine Arts – Riley Ewen
Social Studies – Andrew Douglas
Math – Chloe Getz
PE/FACS/Health – Bennie Patterson
Science – Josh Turza
CTE- Mackinley Myers
Language Arts – Tye Blankenship

Tri-County High School – Chloe Getz
Tri-County Junior High School – Brynn Warren, Noah Oilar

2. Under the Reach Higher Showcase, Mr. Eric Sharp, Technology specialist for TCP & TCI, briefly talked about the TCI Cavbots 2, (Robotics), along with Mrs. Holly Cook and Mrs. Aimee Clark, explaining what the Robotics Club is and Tri-County Intermediate has 2 teams of 8 students each. Mr. Sharp then asked Lily Hagan, Lucas Misch, and Brayden Batley, 6th grade students, who participate in the competitions to demonstrate what they built and what they do in competitions.
3. Under the Technology Report, Mrs. Shannon Kelly, Technology Director, reported that today is the last day for 470 bids for 2018 E-Rate Category I. The onsite Technology Security Audit was conducted on all four sites on December 27, 2017, and are still waiting on the final report, but items brought up were password policies, protecting E-Documents when staff members leave, and policies protecting the corporation in those situations. Mrs. Kelly reported that an ISTE grant opportunity was available with Technology PD money and while we had a small number of applicants, we had quality applicants all the same and she will be registering staff members for the ISTE conference this next summer in Chicago.
4. Board Elections were held as follows:

Donald Pampel – President
Robert Gerber – Vice President
Kyle Arvin - Secretary

5. Dr. Goad asked the Board members to look over the 2017 School Board Committees and let her know if any member would like to change committees. The Board members decided to stay on the same committees for 2018.
6. The Board approved the resignation of Mrs. Lyn-Ann Williamson from her bus routes effective after Thanksgiving break.
7. Dr. Goad announced the following transfers effective immediately:
 - Laurie Miller from Indian Trails bus driver to Jr/Sr HS cook position
 - Alyssa Anderson, Support Staff substitute into the temporary maternity leave IA position at TCP
8. Dr. Goad announced new Contracted and County-Wide Employees and will begin January 8, 2018 in their new positions:
 - Kenzie Trombell, SLPA, to provide Speech and Language services to our students.
 - Jim Annis, hired by the four White County Schools to serve as the White County Career Coach
 - Kacey Lock, hired by the four White County Schools to serve as the new Family Services Specialist funded jointly through the Lilly Comprehensive Counseling Grant
 - Mr. Annis and Mrs. Lock will be a Tri-County one day a week.
9. The Board approved the hiring of Mrs. Michele Bullington to drive the Indian Trails route, and Mr. Will Ellis as an IA (Instructional Assistant) in the Life Skills program.
10. The Board approved Ms. Kailie Tobin as the Varsity Softball Coach.
11. The Board granted permission to transfer unencumbered funds from CPF \$300,000, Transportation \$200,000 and Bus Replacement \$100,000 to the Rainy Day Fund.
12. The Board approved the Out-of-State FFA field trip request to Gobles, MI, the annual FFA Week ski trip, on Saturday, February 24, 2018.
13. The Board approved a request from Ashley Murray to graduate in December, 2018.
14. Dr. Goad reported to the Board members of the Facilitated Work Session scheduled for January 12-13, 2018. Dr. Benjamin, the facilitator, will lead us through the process of strategic planning, developing a vision and mission, and data dashboards. Dr. Goad reminded the School Board members of the National School Board Conference held in San Antonio, April 7-9, 2018. Any member who would like to attend, please let Dr. Goad know as soon as possible, as registration is closed on January 10, 2018. Dr. Goad commented about the weather we are having this winter could present some challenges.
15. Ms. Hall thanked Mrs. Chris Legler and the students for the Christmas program that was held December 13, 2017.
16. Mr. Hagan also thanked Mrs. Legler and all of the high school Custodians for all of their hard work making the Christmas program a success. Mr. Hagan also thanked Dr. Schemerhorn for helping the 6th grade students present Frosty the Snowman to all of the other elementary students on December 21, 2017. Mr. Hagan reported that the Stem School application was approved and the next step is a site visit on February 11, 2018. The next

Robotics competition is scheduled for January 20, held at Logansport and January 24, Club Day will begin again for second semester.

17. Mr. McCracken reported to the Board members that there are 4 new televisions at the high school and this is providing students with time, announcements and a Face Book page with all of the school activities. Mr. McCracken will meet with Electronic Systems Group in regards to the security and safety at the Jr/Sr High School. This will provide more training on the security system that is already present at the Jr/Sr High School.
18. Dr. Rowe reported to the Board members that she provided copies of the school calendar for the next 3 months to each of the members. Dr. Rowe has been attending counseling meetings with all 4 White County Schools, and an Advisory Group will be put together. Dr. Rowe reported that the Scholarship season is here and they will be meeting with the senior students on Tuesday, January 9, to pass out scholarship packets.
19. Mr. LeBeau reported to the Board members that the Boys Varsity Basketball game with Twin Lakes is rescheduled for Tuesday, January 9 and the Girls Varsity Basketball game with North Newton is rescheduled for January 18. January 19 is Homecoming, February 9 is Senior Night against Benton Central and February 13 is the Gary 21st Century Basketball game here at 7:00 P.M. Girls Varsity Basketball Sectional, at West Central starts January 30 and the Boys Varsity Basketball Sectional, is here at Tri-County and it begins on February 27.