June 11, 2019

TO: Media

FROM: Mr. Patrick Culp, Tri-County School Corporation

RE: Regular School Board Meeting, Monday, June 10, 2019.

The Tri-County School Board met for their Regular meeting on Monday, June 10, 2019. The following topics were covered:

- 1. Under Visitor's Comments, Mr. Scott Wealing asked why his company was pulled from training with the White County and Jasper County law enforcement next Monday evening, Mr. Gerber said that maybe he should talk to Mr. Culp tomorrow sometime.
- 2. Under the Technology Report, Mrs. Shannon Kelly, Technology Director, reported that the new access points from the Category II Project should deliver tomorrow. The technology department will be working on our typical summer list of projects to prepare for the next school year, and replacing new equipment as it arrives and rooms are available, repairing items that were turned in as not working, and preparing Technology for the 2019-20 school year.
- 3. Under the Board Committee Reports, Mr. Gerber reported that RWCDC met May 14, 2019 and election of officers was held and the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 11, 2019.
- 4. Gib Crimmins, Clerk of the Works, updated the Board members on the renovation. The flagpole/sidewalk is scheduled for summer, Ag Welding area is nearly complete, painting of exhaust ductwork and welding table tops will be completed this week. The kitchen HVAC has minor punch list items that need to be done. The Pool Project is nearly complete and the pool is filling at this time, should be full by Wednesday. The initial punch list is scheduled for June 20, 2019 and swim lessons are scheduled for July 8, 2019.
- 5. Ms. Elaine Hall reported to the Board members that the Primary School had a very good end of the year and she wanted to thank Mrs. Ashley LeBeau for the field day that was held for the students. Ms. Hall announced that 7 Second Grade students earned the PRIDE Award with Mr. Culp helping present those awards. United Way is once again sponsoring 12 Kindergarten students coming to summer school with Mrs. Rachel Pilotte teaching the class. The students are learning and enjoying the time with Mrs. Pilotte.
- 6. Mr. Brian Hagan reported to the Board members that the Intermediate School received the IRead test results and that 100% of the 3rd graders passed the test. The Summer Stem Camp is moving right along and many activities are being done, including making butter and working with recycled paper. The Hydroponics is working well now and Purdue graduate students take turns coming up every week to check on it and will be taking plants back with them to be tested to make sure that they are safe to eat, in hopes that the growing plants can be used in a salad bar this next school year for the students. Mr. Hagan also applied for a grant from Bayer and received \$10,000 and Mr. Hagan hopes to purchase two more hydroponics on rollers to be shared with the students.

- 7. Mr. Shawn McCracken reported to the Board members that Graduation was a success and that the Counselors are being recognized for 70% of our students filing for FAFSA. Mr. McCracken also reported that a National Guard Recruiter will be available to come in and talk to area schools. This person will be talking to the Junior High students and possibly the freshman in regards to bullying and will help with overseeing lunch hours and just being with our students.
- 8. The Board approved the resignation of Mrs. Taylor Alter, TCP custodian, effective at the end of the 2018-19 school year.
- 9. The Board approved the retirement of Mr. Jack Mitchell, J/S HS custodian, effective at on August 6, 2019, with much appreciation.
- 10. The Board approved the resignation of Ms. Kayaleen Henry, J/S HS custodian, effective June 13, 2019.
- 11. The Board approved the employment of Mr. Scott Luesse for the Jr/Sr High School Social Studies position effective for the 2019-20 school year.
- 12. The Board approved the following Administrative Goals as written:

Dr. Cathy Rowe - \$3,000

Mr. Shawn McCracken - \$500

Mr. Jeff LeBeau - \$1,500

Ms. Elaine Hall - \$1,000 for now, and remaining stipend when date available

Mr. Brian Hagan - \$3,000

- 13. The Board approved the Active Safety (Shooter) Training proposal from Henriott Group, which will be done on Staff Day, August 7, 2019 for all members of the staff to participate.
- 14. The Board approved the Administrator Assistance Contract proposal to help with the 2019-20 budget process.
- 15. The Board approved an overnight field trip request for FFA, sponsored by Travis Scherer, and Haley Verhaeghe, August 9-10, 2019, to go to Pine Village, IN.
- 16. The Board approved the Food2School bids for Prairie Farms for milk, Aunt Millie's for bread, and HPS for group purchasing.
- 17. The Board approved the increase in lunch prices for the 2019-20 school year as follows:

K-6 = \$2.70

7-12 = \$2.80

18. Mr. Culp thanked the Tri-County Education Fund for the support of the curricular awards dinner and program. The support for our students is greatly appreciated. On Sunday, June 2, 48 senior students graduated from Tri-County High School. Congratulations to the graduates and their families on the milestone. In addition, best wishes on all future endeavors. Congratulations to Tri-County Intermediate and Tri-County Primary School for once again achieving Family Friendly School Designation for the 2019-20 School Year. According to the Indiana Department of Education, "The purpose of the program is to focus on addressing the academic, physical, emotional and social needs of students while providing the needed resources and fostering the active involvement of their

families through schools and the community." Mr. Culp also reported that Mr. McCracken, Mr. Hagan and he attended the Indiana Department of Education School Safety Academy on May 13-14, 2019. Information on cyber-security, bus transportation safety, updates from the Department of Child Services, and updates from the Department of Homeland Security School Safety grant was just some of the information gained from the sessions. Just a reminder that the July Board meeting has been moved from July 8th to July 15, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.