November 16, 2017

TO: Media

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

RE: Executive Session and Regular School Board Meeting, Monday, November 13, 2017.

The Tri-County School Board met for their Regular meeting on Monday, November 13, 2017. The following topics were covered:

- 1. Dr. Goad introduced Mr. Jim Thompson, from Gibraltar Design, and Mr. Thompson introduced Mr. Joe Briggs. Mr. Thompson and Mr. Briggs presented a proposed plan for the possible swimming pool renovations. They focused on the aspect of age of the mechanicals, the destressed finish, and the need for repair or replacement of the locker rooms. Mr. Gerber asked about the life of the pool if nothing was done, and they both said maybe a year without doing anything, but then we would have to decide either to renovate it or close it.
- 2. Dr. Goad introduced Mrs. Karen Ward and Mr. Larry Crabb, representing the White County Retired Teachers. Mrs. Ward and Mr. Crabb awarded a \$500 check to Tri-County Intermediate School for an Active Teacher Grant that Mrs. Mandy Taulman wrote for her TCI 6th Grade Club Day Organization, named Lots of Bosses. This money will be used to fund this organization.
- 3. Under the Visitor's Comments, Ms. Karen Lowry, CTO Vice President, thanked the Board and the Negotiation team and appreciated the partnership between them and the teachers. The teachers gave each Board member a plate of cookies.
- 4. Ms. Hall announced the Students of the Month:

Tri-County Primary School – Emilie Bullington, Lucas Hernandez

Mrs. Aimee Clark announced the Students of the Month:

Tri-County Intermediate School – Harlee Garner, Luke Voors

Mr. McCracken announced the Students of the Month:

Language Arts – Taylor Pinkerton Fine Arts – Madison Metzinger Social Studies – Ethan Greer Math – Jacob Nelson PE/FACS/Health – Keahi Zussman CTE(Agriculture) – Blayne Vandeveer

Tri-County High School – Angela Ticen Tri-County Junior High School – Autumn Ross, Connor Schultz

5. Under the Reach Higher Showcase, Ms. Elaine Hall asked Mrs. Austen Hensler, 1st Grade teacher, to present to the Board members about Math Stations. Mrs. Hensler explained that this is being done with the 1st grade students and the students move from Mrs. Kathy Ingram, to Mrs. Laurel Sheets and then to Mrs. Hensler (all 1st grade teachers) to learn and study math in different ways. These different activities help them learn to count without using their fingers.

- 6. Under the Technology Report, Mrs. Shannon Kelly, Technology Director, reported that all switches are in place for the E-Rate Category 2 program. The Service Substitution has been submitted for the WAP, and now we have to wait on E-Rate approval. The Infrastructure Trial is completed for ISTEP and all things went well. The State Wide Readiness test is February 7, 2018 at 10:00 a.m., which is the same time as the February leadership meeting. Mrs. Kelly reported that she is in the process of setting up a technology security audit for the district.
- 7. Under Board Committee Reports, Mr. Pampel reported that the next RWCDC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 14.
- 8. The Board approved the resignations of Mrs. Michelle Rhoads, TCI After School Program aide, effective October 9, 2017, and Ben Gibbs, Levels Instructional Assistant at the Junior/Senior High School, effective November 21, 2017.
- 9. The Board approved the maternity leave request from Mrs. Kristine Cain, TCP Instructional Assistant, beginning January 1, 2018 and will take the full 12 weeks of maternity leave.
- 10. The Board approved the Master Contract for the 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years.
- 11. The Board approved the overnight BPA State Leadership Conference in Indianapolis, March 11-13, 2018.
- 12. The Board approved the out of state BPA National Leadership Conference in Dallas, Texas, May 9-13, 2018.
- 13. Dr. Goad asked the Board members to do a first reading of the NEOLA Technology Policy and it would be acted on at the December Board meeting.
- 14. Dr. Goad asked the Board members to do a first reading of the Substitute Teacher Policy and it would be acted on at the December Board meeting.
- 15. Dr. Goad reported to the Board members that another School Tour for the community is scheduled for Friday, November 17. Dr. Goad announced that a Dedication of the TCI Renovation is scheduled for Friday, November 17 at the TCI gym with the Boys Basketball scrimmage being played in the Intermediate gym. At 5:30 p.m. there will be a chili supper, and starting at 6:30 p.m. there would be activities planned around the renovation and then the basketball scrimmage would take place. Following the scrimmage, tours will be offered to look around the school. Dr. Goad and Mrs. Becky Streitmatter traveled to the State House last Monday, November 13, for the high school being recognized as one of the several schools providing dual credits to our students.
- 16. Ms. Hall reported to the Board members that the Remington Fire Department visited recently at the TCP. Ms. Hall reported that there was a 96% of parents or guardians at Parent/Teacher Conferences. Family Reading Night was held with a very good attendance and Hi Five Friday was held with the Remington Fire Department participating. A Veteran's Program was held for the students on Friday, November 10, 2017. Ms. Hall announced that the Elementary Christmas program is scheduled for December 13, 2017, at 1:00 at the Junior/Senior High School.
- 17. Mr. McCracken reported to the Board members that Travis Scherer and himself started a student Leadership Team, consisting of officers of the many clubs at the high school. These

students have many ideas what they would like to see addressed in regards for all of the student body. Mr. McCracken has an attendance board, which is more visual to all student body, to help increase the attendance. Mr. McCracken continues to update the stats for all grades, and last week the sophomore class won with the best attendance, so they received a pizza party. This month each grade will work on the least amount of tardies.

18. Dr. Rowe reported to the Board members that the Fall Play was held last weekend and they all did a great job, once again. The Veteran's Program was held last Friday, with Mr. Mick Benner and his class putting on the program. Dr. Rowe wanted to thank the Tri-County Educational Foundation Fund for their granting several awards to several of the Junior/Senior High School teachers and staff. A FAFSA night was held on November 7 and the high school Band & Choir concert is scheduled for December 12 and the 6th Grade and Junior High Band and Choir concert is scheduled for December 14.