

May 16, 2018

TO: Media

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

RE: Executive Session and Regular School Board Meeting, Monday, May 14, 2018.

The Tri-County School Board met for their Regular meeting on Monday, May 14, 2018.
The following topics were covered:

1. Ms. Hall and Mrs. Rachel Pilotte announced the Students of the Month:
Tri-County Primary School – Cassidy Wheeldon, Bryton Cleefman

Mr. Brian Hagan announced the Students of the Month:
Tri-County Intermediate School – Murphy Misch, Jonah Miller

Dr. Rowe announced the Students of the Month:

Fine Arts – Morgan Wood
Social Studies – Ty Kilmer
Math – Casey Foster
PE/FACS/Health – Chase Stearns
Science – Dru McAdams
CTE – Brittany Gonzales
Language Arts – Olivia Foust

Tri-County High School – Dru McAdams
Tri-County Junior High School – Emma Voors, Justin Walder

2. Under the Reach Higher Showcase, Ms. Elaine Hall, TC Primary School Principal, announced that Tri-County Primary School was once again awarded a Family Friendly School. This recognition will be applied for each year.
3. Under the Reach Higher Showcase, Mr. Brian Hagan, TC Intermediate School Principal, announced that Tri-County Intermediate School now has full accreditation for a STEM School and is one of 60 STEM schools in the State of Indiana. This accreditation is good for 5 years with annual updates.
4. Under the Technology Report, Mrs. Shannon Kelly, Technology Director, was unable to attend the meeting at the last minute, and sent her report to Dr. Goad. The access points at the High School have been placed. May 29th, Vermillion systems will be on site for about a week to install a few more security cameras at each school, and June 11-12, there will be a Google Certification Level 1 Training and tests happening at the Jr/Sr high school, and currently there are 23 staff members signed up for this training.
5. Under the Board Committee Report, Mrs. Cantrell and Mr. Gerber and several of the Board members attended the ISBA Regional #4 Spring meeting and Mrs. Cantrell really appreciates hearing of the Legislative Updates.
6. The Board adopted the 2019-2020 School Calendar, Draft #3, as redone by Dr. Goad.

7. The Board approved to move forward with the 2018 projects with Gibraltar Design.
8. The Board accepted the resignation of Mrs. Denise Wilken, TCP Cook, effective at the end of this 2017-18 school year.
9. The Board accepted the resignation of Ms. Paige Miller, Cheer Coach, effective immediately.
10. The Board approved the retirement of Mrs. Denise Porter, TCI Instructional Assistant, effective at the end of this 2017-18 school year.
11. The Board approved the retirement of Mrs. Jennifer Baer, Title 1 teacher, effective at the end of this 2017-18 school year.
12. The Board approved the employment of Ms. Robi Simms for the Jr/Sr High School Counselor position, effective for the 2018-19 school year.
13. The Board approved the employment of Mrs. Bridgett Redstone for the Cheer Coach effective immediately.
14. The Board approved the following summer school classes and teachers for the summer 2018:
 - Kindergarten Camp – Laurel Sheets (this is sponsored by White County United Way and they will cover all costs)
 - TCI STEM Camp: Language Arts/Reading – Tammy Justice
 - TCI STEM Camp: Math – J.R. Haskins
 - 6th Grade Band – Jeremy Sterk
 - Junior High Math – Mark Gretencord
 - Junior High Language Arts – Dan Szombathy
 - Senior High School Credit Recovery – Mollie Mosier
 - Senior High School Social Studies – Mick Benner
 - Ag SAE – Travis Scherer and Haley Verhaeghe
15. The Board approved the Jr/Sr High School Handbook Changes for the 2018-19 school year.
16. The Board approved to move forward with Personalized Learning in the Elementary School with Board support and under the leadership of the Principals.
17. The Board approved to open the Elementary Libraries for Summer Hours in order to connect with more students and continue to encourage reading in the summer. The Libraries at TCP and TCI will be open from 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday from June 4 – July 29, which coincides with the times the buildings are open for the summer lunch program.
18. The Board approved a 3% salary increase for the Support Staff for the school year 2018-19.
19. The Board approved Intent to Rehire Support Staff as listed for the school year 2018-19.
20. Dr. Goad reported to the Board members that there are lots of activities in the next two weeks, many award programs, Senior Night, scheduled on Friday, May 25, and

Graduation, scheduled on Sunday, May 27. The high school Curricular Awards program is sponsored by TCEFF this year and is scheduled on Friday, May 18. Once again this year two camps will be offered for students during the summer months. Summer Connection Camp through TCP, From Fork to Farm, with Mrs. Rachel Pilotte, TCI, Exploring Conner Prairie, with Mrs. Cynthia McQuinn, Mrs. Tammy Justice and Ms. Sharon Foster, and the Jr/Sr High School, Windy City Eye Opener, with Mr. J. R. Haskins and Mrs. Chris Legler. High Ability Camp through TCI, Science & Industry Excursion, with Mr. J. R. Haskins, Jr/Sr High School, Exploring the Natural Resources and Ecological Diversity of West Central Indiana, with Rose and Travis Scherer. Dr. Goad announced that the spec building at Mid-America Commerce Park has sold. The company plans to open in late summer or early fall. The building was sold to EggLife LLC and will initially hire 30 employees. They have a patent in place for a gluten free/low to no carbohydrate tortilla wrap. A parcel of 18 acres has been sold to a yet unnamed company which plans to begin construction after harvest. They, too, will hire approximately 30 employees.

21. Ms. Hall reported to the Board members that Kindergarten Round-Up was successful and Sheriff Pat Shafer came to talk to the 2nd grade classes about Bicycle Safety. Ms. Hall announced that an appreciation meal was held for the Volunteers and Mentors at TCP. Field Day will be Thursday and the Awards Program is scheduled for Tuesday, May 22, at 9:30 a.m.
22. Mr. Hagan reported to the Board that Battle of the Books was held at North White and the 6th grade received 1st place, 5th grade received 3rd place, and 4th grade received 1st place. A STEM fair was held at TCI with a huge attendance and Mr. Hagan thanked Mrs. Sara Arvin for all of her hard work in making this happen and such a success. Mr. Hagan thanked the PTO for putting on Muffins for Moms and Donuts for Dads. Mr. Hagan announced that on May 3, the 2nd grade visited the 3rd grade. Mr. Hagan thanked the PTO, School Board and the Community for the Staff Appreciation Week held last week. Mr. Hagan announced that Monsanto will be coming to TCI for Bike Safety. Snow White is being presented Thursday morning, at 9:15 a.m., Field Day is Friday, May 18 and their Awards Program is scheduled for Monday.
23. Dr. Rowe reported to the Board that the Prom was very successful and everyone was safe. April 24 a parent meeting was held in the evening for incoming freshman students. Dr. Rowe thanked the community businesses for a Job Fair that was held at the High School and last Wednesday a 2nd PRIDE breakfast was held for the students eligible for their PRIDE certificates. A Work Experience Luncheon was held at the Cooperative School Services in Rensselaer and the Junior High Battle of the Books was held at Roosevelt School in Monticello and our Junior High received 1st place in the County. Thursday is the Junior High Curricular Awards Program and the High School Curricular Awards is scheduled for Friday evening.