

January 9, 2023

TO: Media

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

RE: Regular School Board Meeting, Monday, January 9, 2023

The Tri-County School Board met for their Regular meeting on Monday, January 9, 2023.

The following topics were covered:

1. Board Officers are as follows: Dr. Brandi Schermerhorn, School Board President, Mr. Bob Gerber, School Board Vice President and Mr. Jason Kilmer School Board Secretary.
2. The Board approved the reappointments of Tammy Seward as Treasurer and Mrs. Kristin Dreblow as Deputy/ Assistant Treasure with the amount of bond currently set at \$75,000.
3. The Board approved keeping Lewis-Kappes and Mrs. Monica Conrad as the Corporation attorney.
4. Students of the Month for Junior High are Adalynn Demerly and Jordy Martinez Morales. High School are Anthony Kendall (Social Studies), Ben Alberts (Fine Arts: Band), Nicole Walker (Math), Amalee Scheitlin (Language Arts), Elizar Aldez (Science), Grayson Schneider (CTE: Welding), Kevin Martinez (PE/ Weights) and Jose Medina (English Language Learners).
5. Students of the Month for TCI are Carter Burns, Logan Kaeb, Linette Morrow and Gracie Martin.
6. Students of the Month for TCP are Kylee Northcutt, Sebastian Campos, Alyssa Kopka and Joayden Golz.
7. Mr. Culp discussed renewing the Referendum and the timeline action steps required if the board approves, No action is required at this time.
8. There were no visitor comments.
9. Mrs. Shannon Kelly reported to the Board that she is preparing for the February ME count. She has started the project of creating the 2023-2024 Online Enrollment forms. She will be assisting Mr. LeBeau with the MWC Conference Wrestling meet this Saturday.
10. Mr. Culp reported that Chief Wirtz had not submitted anything at this time. Mr. Culp thanked Office Wirtz for all his time, effort and dedication to his position while at Tri-County. Officer Wirtz will be leaving due to accepting another position.
11. Under the Construction Report, Joe Briggs and Daniel Burns from Gibraltar presented proposed improvements of concessions, track, CTE addition and renovation.
12. Under Board Committee Reports, Board committees were updated.
13. Ms. Hall reported that TCP has finished the month with a wonderful Christmas Program. She thanked Mrs. Legler again for her hard work and time in planning the Christmas Program. She went on to say that there are many other staff who help make that event possible. She thanks Mr. LeBeau, Mrs. Hensler and the bus drivers who help coordinate bussing for that event. She reported that the students and staff had a nice Christmas Break. TCP is glad to see the students back in the building and they are working on getting back into the routine of the school day.
14. Mrs. Pearson reported to the Board that on January 18th some of the teachers will visit the Science Caravan to evaluate the Science curriculum for next year. Teachers will be working with their NWEA data to help drive their instruction. They are taking their second round of the IReady diagnostic right now and will then have a representative from IReady help them analyze the data collected. Two individuals will be coming from Wabash Education center to help integrate OG and STEM into TCI's curriculum maps. This month TCI will have some of their students take the WIDA test, this helps to identify students that may need additional support to help them overcome any language barriers. The Jr. High wrestling season starts tonight. Fifth grade girls and boys basketball has started. The robotics

team will compete on February 4th at Fairview Elementary in Logansport. The 4th grade will be going to the Lafayette Symphony on Friday, February 10th. On February 14th the 6th grade will be going to the Challenger Center.

15. Mr. McCracken had nothing to report.
16. Mr. Haskins reported to the Board that it's great having everyone back in the building. Many students were ready to get back. During PLC a presentation about Digital Literacy will be given by Mrs. Smith. Still continuing to get scholarship information out. There are 30 students advancing to the BPA state competition in March. Additional students are being recognized by the IHSSA for sportsmanship. Mrs. Scherer and Ms. Lowry will go to the Science textbook caravan on January 18th. Welcome to Mr. Rockhill, the new Business teacher.
17. Mr. Haskins reported that 5 students passed their Drone test at the Purdue airport. They are Katie Pinkerton, Will Getz, Eli Williamson, Tyler Vandever and Justin Kilmer.
18. Mr. Haskins reported that Koby Bahler and Will Getz were commended for their sportsmanship by officials over the weekend.
19. Mr. Haskins reported that the girls basketball sectional starts three weeks from tomorrow. Friday Lily Sterk, Thalia Herrera Pearson, Ryleigh Sheldon and Summer Stoller will compete at the girls state wrestling. The MWC wrestling meet is this Saturday at Tri-County High School. Thank you to Officer Wirtz and nothing but luck. He has impacted our schools and our kids. He has made a difference at the Jr. /Sr. High School.
20. Under Old Business, the board approved the NEOLA Policies Vol. 35 No. 1 as presented.
21. The Board approved the 2024-2025 School Calendar.
22. Under New Business, Mr. Culp reported at the recommendation of Mrs. Conrad, all employment recommendations, resignations, and other personnel- related matters will fall under the "Personnel Report." There are no employment recommendations at this time.
23. The Board approved Louise Knochel to serve another four year term at the Remington Carpenter Township Public Library.
24. Under the Superintendent's Report, Mr.Culp reminded the board that the Facilitated Board Workshop is scheduled for Saturday, February 11th, 2023 at the TCSC Corp. office. Dr. Brad Balch will serve as the facilitator. Mrs. Patti Kem, Executive Director of Cooperative School Services, intends to retire in June. On behalf of the Tri-County School Corporation, we would like to congratulate Mrs. Kem on her dedication and services to CSS. Best wishes during retirement. Mrs. Sarah Claton is the new Assistant Director for CSS. Tri- County is preparing for a required state audit.
25. Under Board Comments, Mr. Arvin welcomes Mrs. Overbeck to the Board.
26. The Board of Finance officer elections are as follows, Mr. Kyle Arvin, Board of Finance President and Mrs. Rachel Cantrell, Board of Finance Secretary.