

March 28, 2025

TO: Media

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

RE: Regular School Board Meeting, Monday, March 10, 2025

The Tri-County School Board met for their Regular meeting on March 10, 2025.

The following topics were covered:

1. The board approved the agenda.
2. The board approved the minutes for the Regular Board Session on February 17, 2025.
3. Mr. McCracken presented the Jr/Sr High School Students of the Month- Junior High School- Whitley Gretencord 7th, Owen Cleefman 8th, Math: Jackson Comer, Social Studies: John Sterns, Science: Luke Arvin, English: Trey Foster, Agriculture: Jonah Miller, Fine Arts (Band): Tanner Dillion, Spanish: Alexis Northup, PE: Gizelle Barajas
4. Students of the Month from Mrs. Abby Geib's 4th grade class at TCI: Quinn Dahlenburg and Carter McClure
5. Students of the Month from Ms. Pilotte's Kindergarten class at TCP: Ellie Snyder and Lincoln Coley
6. There were no visitor comments.
7. Officer Aaron Page gave his report to the board.
8. Under Construction Report, Mr. Culp discussed steps for removing the asbestos at the Primary school. He also informed the board that work will start on Monday, March 24 since there is no one in the building due to spring break. Once the removal process is complete then they will begin work on remodeling the gym.
9. The board approved the base bid and alternates for the Asbestos Abatement at TCP.
10. The board approved the base bid and alternate 3 for the Tri-County Jr/Sr High School construction.
11. The board wanted to continue to review alternate 1 until the April board meeting.
12. Mr. Culp discussed the payment affidavits for the current construction projects at TCI and TCP. He also informed them that he, Mr. Culp and Paul Todoroski have a monthly budget review meeting.
13. Mr. Paul Todoroski from Skillman gave a quick update to the board on the construction at TCI and TCP.
14. Under Board Committee Reports, Mr. Geib reported on the high school building improvement meeting. Mr. Gerber discussed the continued items happening in the legislative meetings.
15. Ms. Hall reported to the board that last week TCP celebrated Read Across America week. TCP had several guest readers visit each classroom and had theme days to highlight the week. Thank you to Ms. Pilotte and Mrs. Sheets for helping coordinate that week. The Health Care Pathway students at the high school hosted a Teddy Bear Clinic Friday for our kindergarten students. They had stations set up to teach students about different aspects and departments of health care like going to the dentist, getting an eye exam, and healthy eating. The students got to wear lab coats and got their own teddy bear to take through the stations and do the check-ups on. TCP wants to thank the class, Mrs. Arvin, and Mrs. Alberts for putting together a fun and educational event for our students. As of today, TCP completed IREAD-3 testing with our second graders. TCP only had two make-ups to do today but every second-grade student has now taken the test. Ms. Hall thanked Mrs. Luebcke and Mrs. Kelly for their support and guidance for our first endeavor in this test. Results will be made public in late April.
16. Mrs. Pearson reported to the board that TCI thanks Mrs. Williams for organizing Read Across America Readers and Dress-up days for our students and staff. TCI have finished most of our IREAD tests, there are a few that we will finish up later this week. Jr. High track starts tomorrow. Tuesday, 5th grade is going on a field trip to the symphony in Indianapolis. Battle of the Books teams have been practicing

for their competition on April 8th. This month is Music Appreciation Month. Mrs. Pearson thanked Mrs. Sweetman for organizing events for our students and staff.

17. Mr. McCracken reported to the board that March is Severe Weather Preparedness Month. The Jr/Sr High School will be doing their drill on Thursday.
18. Mr. Haskins reported to the board that the last grading period starts on Wednesday, 3/12. Teachers will be finalizing grades by this Friday, 3/14. Report cards are going out on Tuesday, 3/18. They will be emailed but you can request a copy from the high school office. Juniors finished up SAT testing last Thursday. Thanks to Mr. Sharp for coordinating! The FFA Blood Drive is on Tuesday, 3/11. You will need to sign up on RedCrossBlood.org. When signing up you will need to enter: trichs to schedule an appointment time. School Smiles, a mobile dentist office, is coming on Wednesday, 3/12. Thanks to Mrs. Dyke for her efforts with this! ILEARN 3rd checkpoint is scheduled for before spring break. The BPA is competing today and tomorrow at the state competition. They are expected to return on Tuesday afternoon. The spring musical and art show on Friday, 3/14, and Sunday, 3/16. Doors open one hour before the musical to view the art show. The art fair is held in the cafeteria. Junior prom is on Saturday, April 5th at Meadow Springs near Francisville. This is the first Saturday back after spring break. There was a student meeting held today to discuss expectations that night. Congratulations to the boys' basketball team and coaching staff! The boys' basketball team is MWC co-champions and Sectional #50 champs. This is the second time in school history to 3-peat. They will play this Saturday at 2pm EST versus Kouts at North Judson. Continue to keep Mr. Ralph Jeffers, our night custodian, in thoughts and prayers. Wishing everyone a safe and relaxing spring break!
19. The board approved NEOLA Policies Vol.36, No.2 and Vol. 37, No.1.
20. The board approved the Personnel Report as presented.
21. The board approved the 2025-2026 Calendar Revision.
22. The board approved the IDOE Early Literacy Grant as presented.
23. The board approved the IDOE Waiver Request- Instructional Minutes.
24. The board approved the 2025-2026 Course Description Handbook.
25. The board approved the payroll ratification and claims docket.
26. Under the Superintendent's Report, Mr. Culp shared the date of the IAPSS Regional meeting with the board.
27. Mr. Culp presented the IDOE transfer report to the board. He also discussed the information on the report with the board.
28. Mr. Culp informed the board that the White County Youth Philanthropy Council awarded four Tri-County teachers classroom grants.
29. Mrs. Tieke asked clarifying questions over agenda topics. Mr. Culp answered them.
30. Next board meeting will be April 14, 2025.