

TRITON SCHOOL CORPORATION
ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
100 TRITON DRIVE
BOURBON, IN 46504-1801

***** BOARD MINUTES *****

Regular Session

January 09, 2023

The Board of School Trustees of Triton School Corporation, Marshall and Kosciusko Counties, met in Regular Session at 7:00 PM, in the Administration Office, 100 Triton Drive, Bourbon, Indiana, on January 09, 2023. The meeting was live streamed on social media as well.

Members Present: Mrs. Terri Barnhart, Mr. Kevin Boyer, Mr. Steve Stichter, Mr. Ken Miller, and Mr. Wes Rettinger

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Mr. Jeremy Riffle–Superintendent; Mr. Tom McFarland–Business Manager; Mr. Orion Lemler-Triton Social Media; Mrs. Christine Cook-Elementary Principal; Mr. Nate McKeand-Jr./Sr. High School Principal; Bruce Gephart; Keegan Best; Lexi Westafer; Cory Hill; Brayden Cunningham; Oliva Shively; Chase King; Cole Gard; Sydney Smith; Mackenzie Bottorff; Gwyneth Borsa; Erinn Graham; Annika Safft

***** BOARD OF FINANCE *****

The Board of Finance meeting was called to order at 6:50 PM.

- Elections Mr. Miller made a motion to elect Mrs. Barnhart as the President of the Board of Finance, and Mr. Stichter as the Secretary of the Board of Finance. Mr. Rettinger seconded the motion and it carried 5 – 0.
- Investment Report Mr. McFarland reviewed investments held by the Corporation, old outstanding checks, and a fiscal indicator report.
- Adjournment Mrs. Barnhart adjourned the meeting at 6:55 PM.

***** REORGANIZATION SESSION *****

Mrs. Barnhart called the Reorganization Session to order at 7:00 PM.

- Oath of Office Mr. McFarland administered the oath of office and collected the required signatures.
- Election of Officers Mr. Riffle requested nominations for President of the Board. Mr. Miller moved to elect Mrs. Barnhart as the President. Mr. Rettinger seconded the motion and it carried 5 – 0. Mrs. Barnhart requested nominations for the offices of Vice-President and Secretary. Mr. Miller made a motion to elect Mr. Boyer as the Vice-President. Mr. Rettinger seconded the motion and it carried 5 – 0. Mr. Miller moved, Mr. Rettinger seconded, and the motion carried unanimously, to elect Mr. Stichter as the Secretary.
- Meeting Date, Time & Location Mr. Rettinger moved, Mr. Stichter seconded, and the motion carried 5 – 0, to continue having all regular meetings at 7:00 PM, on the second Monday of the month in the Administration Office.
- Appointments: Mr. Riffle made a recommendation to appoint Mr. Tom McFarland as the Corporation Treasurer, Warrick & Boyne (Tim Shelley) as the attorney, Steve Stichter as ISBA Delegate/Legislative Liaison, Wes Rettinger as Student Handbook Committee Representative, Ken Miller as Textbook Adoption Committee Representative, and Terry Barnhart as Board Policy Representative. Mr. Boyer moved, Mr. Rettinger seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Board Salaries Mr. Stichter moved, Mr. Miller seconded, and the motion carried unanimously, to continue the annual salary of \$1,850.00 for Board Members and to grant Board members the option of signing a waiver allowing individual members to accept a lesser annual salary which is to be determined by the individual member.

Conflict of Interest Forms Mr. Riffle informed the Board that each of them will need to sign a Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement. Administrators will also sign the forms.

Adjournment Mrs. Barnhart adjourned the reorganization meeting at 7:05 PM.

* * * * **REGULAR SESSION** * * * *

Mrs. Barnhart called the Regular Session to order at 7:05 PM.

Consensus Agenda Mr. Stichter made a motion to approve accounts payable vouchers #4936-#4944, and #5018-#5089 in the amount of \$1,103,685.04, payrolls #25 – #26 in addition to the TAG and stipend payrolls in the amount of \$559,276.98 for a grand total of \$1,662,962.02; and to approve the minutes of the regular session that was held on December 12, 2022. Mr. Boyer seconded the motion and it carried 5 – 0.

Patrons' Comments There were no patrons' comments.

Personnel Mr. Boyer moved, Mr. Miller seconded, and the motion carried unanimously, to approve Joshua Alcindor as an 8th grade girls volunteer basketball coach. Mr. Stichter moved, Mr. Boyer seconded to approve Bruce Jennings as a substitute teacher. The motion carried 5-0.

Other Business Mr. Boyer made a motion to approve the transfer of funds from the Education Fund to the Operations Fund. Mr. Stichter seconded the motion and it carried 5 – 0.

Mr. Boyer moved, Mr. Stichter seconded, and the motion carried 5 – 0, to approve the transfer from the Operations Fund to the Rainy Day Fund.

Mr. Stichter made a motion to approve the year-end appropriation transfers as recommended. Mr. Rettinger seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Following Mr. Riffle's recommendation, Mr. Stichter made a motion to approve the resolution to amend the joint service agreement for special education with JESSE. Mr. Miller seconded the motion and it carried 5 – 0.

Superintendent's Report **Continuous Improvement-** Triton Staff used the January 3rd professional development day to update certifications for CPI (Crisis Prevention Intervention), building level meetings, and vertical/grade level/department collaboration. It has been a successful start back to school, and I thank the Triton Staff for their dedication and preparation for students.

Shared Leadership- Areas of focus at this time include multiple areas of the Strategic Plan including but not limited to:

1. Encourage Student Academic Success
2. Foster Social and Emotional Growth
3. Invest in Teacher and Staff Success

TSC Strategic Plan 2022

Social Responsibility- Laura Baker and I will join nearly 40 other members on the US 30/US 31 Highway Commission pre planning committee. We will continue to look at proposed adjustments to US 30 and be able to give feedback from the school, county government, etc.

Accountability- Triton Elementary and High School have recently gone through state fire marshal inspections. There are several items that Bruce and his team worked on this past weekend (elementary door closers) to rectify, some items including but not limited to: GFI outlets, fire alarms tags, rope lights, extension cords, etc., that will be checked, corrected, or approved within the 90 day window of accountability.

High Expectations- The Triton Trojans Sports Network will be recognized for their ongoing and incredible support of all things Triton. They will now be recognized at Friday night's game when Triton Varsity Boys and Girls play host to Culver. Please consider going to <https://www.tritontrojans.org/donate> to donate to the cause. If you are appreciative of being able to watch games, concerts, or programs from afar, please don't take this incredible service for granted, donate to the cause and let TTSN know how much they mean to us.

Evidence Based Decision Making- Congratulations: Travis Barnhart, sophomore at Triton Jr. Sr. High School, was selected as one of four delegates to represent Indiana at the National 4-H Conference in Washington, DC. The National 4-H Conference is a premiere civic engagement experience for 4-H members across the country. Delegates from all over the United States will participate in educational workshops focusing on civic engagement, legislative process, and of course having fun! Approximately 400 students from across the nation will be in attendance. Anna McIntyre will be competing in the State Distinguished Young Woman Competition on February 15, representing our school, her family, and our community.

Patrons' Comments

None

Building Reports

Mr. McKeand provided a report on events at the Jr. /Sr. High School.

Mrs. Cook reported on happenings at the Elementary.

Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the Triton Board of School Trustees, Mrs. Barnhart declared the meeting adjourned at 7:29 PM.

Mr. Steve Stichter, Secretary

Approved: _____ February 13, 2022

President: *[Signature]*

Secretary: *[Signature]*

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