

TRITON SCHOOL CORPORATION
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*** BOARD MINUTES ***

Regular Session

April 8, 2019

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 April 8, 2019.

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, Mrs. Anita Haines – Corporation Receptionist, Mr. Robert Ross – Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Mrs. Christine Cook – Elementary Principal, Mrs. Melissa LaShure – Data & Assessment Coordinator, Mr. Brandon Young – Secondary Teacher, and Mr. Nick Treber – Bourbon Public Library Director.

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

Consensus
Agenda

Mr. Stichter made a motion to approve accounts payable vouchers #184 - #355 in the amount of \$463,047.13, and payrolls #6 – #7 in the amount of \$395,875.08, the voided vendor check #30572 in the amount of (-\$39.95) for a grand total of 858,882.26; and to approve the minutes of the regular session held on March 11, 2019. Mr. Boyer seconded the motion and it carried 5 – 0.

Patrons'
Comments

There were no patrons' comments.

Personnel

Subsequent to Mr. Riffle's recommendation, Mr. Stichter moved, Mr. Rettinger seconded, and the motion carried unanimously, to approve the following personnel items:

- Accept the resignation of Mrs. Jennifer Meadway as an Instructional Assistant;
- Hire Mrs. Ashly Casey as an Instructional Assistant;
- Approve the following as Summer School Teachers: Mrs. Sarah Melling, Mrs. Jill Finley, Mr. Curt Kreft, Mrs. Samantha Phenix, Mrs. Brittney Brosman, and Mr. Robert Ross;
- Approve the following as Summer School Instructional Assistants: Mrs. Johna Snyder, Mrs. Lisa Kreft, Mrs. Katie Smith, Mr. Taylor Long, and Mrs. Denise Shafer;
- Hire Mrs. Justina Faulkner as the Junior High Track Coach; and
- Hire Mr. Dave Carpenter as the Junior High Boys' Golf Coach.

Other
Business

Mr. Stichter made a motion to reappoint Mrs. Karen Worsham for a four year term on the Board of the Bourbon Public Library. Mr. Miller seconded the motion and it carried 5 – 0.

Superintendent's
Report

Mr. Riffle identified the following core values that have been recognized since the previous meeting:

Continuous Improvement: As good as we are, we know that we can always achieve better results. We constantly try to find better ways of doing our work, and when we achieve our goals, we set higher targets. Mr. Riffle expressed his gratitude to Mr. Gephart and his crew for painting locker rooms and bathrooms during spring break, and "branding items" were added in the High School hallway and entrance to the Trojan Trench.

Shared Leadership: We work as a team. Each member provides essential leadership in support of our common goals. Mr. Riffle shared photos from the recent improvements made on the Triton Campus. The Wellness Committee met on March 7 to update and revise our 2019-2020 Wellness Plan.

Social Responsibility: We ensure that we are good partners within our community and that our students and employees support local individuals and organizations. We demonstrate wise stewardship of public resources and ensure that our graduates are ready to shoulder their civic responsibilities.

Superintendent's Report (Cont.)

Social Responsibility (continued): Crosswalks for our students who walk to school has been well used and successful. We have a partnership with the Town of Bourbon to provide crossing guards in two locations within the town during our morning arrival and afternoon departure times. Mr. Riffle commented on the partnership with the Lutheran Health Network.

Accountability: Each person affiliated with Triton School Corporation, including students, employees, parents/family members, and community stakeholders share accountability for our performance results and for providing personal best effort in support of our goals. We are getting ready to enter a busy testing season. Teachers and administrators continue to provide feedback to improve instruction in preparation for high stakes testing.

High Expectations: Our learning organization requires that we maintain high expectations for one another and for self. Administrators and teachers continue to implement teaching strategies that encourage our students to reach their highest potential.

Evidence Based Decision Making: We make decisions after careful consideration of the most compelling research and data analysis, and we utilize student data to drive instruction.

Alignment: We are most successful when everyone in our learning organization works together to achieve common goals. We can enhance efficiency and effectiveness by achieving alignment across our system.

Mr. Riffle apprised the Board of the ISBA Region 2 meeting which will be held at Christo's Banquet Facility in Plymouth on May 20. In addition, the Board Retreat is scheduled for June 21 and it will also be held at Christo's Banquet Facility.

Patrons' Comments

There were no patrons' comments.

Building Reports

Mrs. Cook reported on events at the Elementary.

Mr. Ross gave an update on happenings at the Jr./Sr. High School.

Mr. McFarland apprised the Board of the results of the State Audit that was recently performed. There were no major findings of improper procedures.

Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the Triton Board of School Trustees, Mrs. Barnhart declared the meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Steven D. Stichter, Secretary

Approved: _____ May 13, 2019

President: Lee Barnhart

Secretary: Steve Stichter

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