

TRITON SCHOOL CORPORATION
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***** BOARD MINUTES *****

Regular Session

August 08, 2022

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 August 08, 2022. The meeting was live streamed on social media as well.

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

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Mr. Jeremy Riffle-Superintendent; Mr. Tom McFarland-Business Manager; Mrs. Ashley Stayton-Corporation Receptionist; Mr. Orion Lemler-Triton Social Media; Mrs. Cook-Elementary Principle; Mr. McKeand-High School Principle

Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Barnhart called the Regular Session to order at 7:00 PM, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Consensus Agenda

Mr. Stichter made a motion to approve accounts payable vouchers #4414-#4420, #4469-#4496, and #4497-#4561 in the amount of \$609,144.68, payrolls #14 - #15 in the amount of \$352,913.15, less voided vendor checks totaling (\$378.92) for a grand total of \$961,678.91; and to approve the minutes of the executive and regular sessions held on July 11, 2022. Mr. Ken Miller seconded the motion and it carried 5 - 0.

Patrons' Comments

There were no patrons' comments.

Personnel

Following Mr. Riffle's recommendation Mr. Stichter moved, Mr. Boyer seconded, and the motion carried unanimously, to approve the resignation of Matt Arvesen as junior high football coach as well as the resignation of Amy Middaugh as high school cafeteria worker. Mr. Stichter moved to approve the resignation of Courtney King as elementary instructional assistant and the resignation of Brittney Brosman as 5th grade teacher. Mr. Rettinger seconded and the vote carried 5-0. Mr. Boyer moved to approve Leeah Webb as an elementary instructional assistant, Mr. Stichter seconded, and it carried 5-0. Mr. Riffle recommended Stacy Scheetz as elementary guidance counselor and Lisa Hammond as 6th grade teacher in addition to junior high volleyball coach. Mr. Boyer moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Stichter and it carried 5-0. Mr. Boyer moved to approve Aubrey Davis, Amy Fisher, and Kimberly Sharpe as substitute teachers. Mr. Rettinger seconded and it carried 5-0. Mr. Boyer moved to approve Joanna Oseguera as high school cafeteria worker, Sharon Kindig as 5th grade teacher, and Eric Callahan as high school classroom supervisor. Mr. Miller seconded and it carried 5-0. Mr. Stichter moved to approve Terry Scott as part time temporary bus mechanic. Mr. Boyer seconded and it carried 5-0. Mr. Rettinger moved to approve Bryon Overmyer as junior high football coach, Tom Worsham as junior high football volunteer, Joe Wood as junior high football volunteer and Terrin Meister as high school volleyball volunteer, Mr. Miller seconded and it carried 5-0. Mr. Miller moved to

approve Brandy Hall as elementary instructional assistant, Mr. Boyer seconded and it carried 5-0. Mr. Miller moved to approve Alan Whittaker as substitute high school chemistry teacher, Mr. Boyer seconded and it carried 5-0. Mr. Stichter moved to approve substitute teacher pay rates, Mr. Boyer seconded and it carried 5-0. Mr. Boyer moved to approve status quo teacher contracts, Mr. Miller seconded and it carried 5-0.

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Other

Mr. Boyer moved to adopt the teacher appreciation grant, Mr. Rettinger seconded and the vote carried 5-0. Mr. Stichter moved to approve permission to advertise CPF and bus replacement on the website, Mr Boyer seconded and it carried 5-0. Mr. Stichter moved to approve the revised 2022-2023 school calendar, Mr Rettinger seconded and it carried 5-0.

Superintendents
Report

Continuous Improvement - Today was opening day for our teachers. Safety was a major focus at both building where we are adding a county wide School Guard App that will minimize response time and provide our teachers the power to make decisions in order to keep our scholars safe. Steve Watkins was introduced to our staff, we took tours of unfamiliar areas and began to connect with teachers. There are plans in the works that will continue to improve safety for our school and community, this is a tremendous blessing!

I was able to share about the need for positive encounters with one another, our scholars, and our community. Educators, students, and community continue to heal after a difficult two years, it will take all of us investing in one another to make this the most positive year in a while.

Shared Leadership - The buildings are ready to welcome over 960 scholars on Wednesday. The maintenance crew has done a great job, teachers are preparing their classrooms, tonight's elementary open house will set the stage for a great first impression for our students, parents and teachers.

Social Responsibility - Thank you to our local government, the Bourbon Town Counsel for partnering with Triton School Corporation for the school resource officer and for Ward Byers and Marshall County Community Corrections for helping all Marshall County Schools pay for the upfront cost of the School Guard Apps. I also want to thank the County Government, the Marshall County Council for passing the resolution to support the Marshall Country Career Innovation Center and its READI Grant Proposal.

High Expectations - Football, volleyball, band, and tennis scholars continue to put the time and effort in to prepare for their fall seasons. Thank you to our coaches and scholars for their time and effort over the last couple of very warm weeks.

Teachers have been busily preparing new curriculum, meeting to receive training in math and language arts best practices, in preparation to be their best for the students who will enter their sphere of influence on Wednesday.

Alignment - The Strategic Plan was reviewed today, encouraging teachers with the items that have already been set in place and the need for them to continue to be part of the solution moving forward.

Evidence Based Decision Making - Part of the strategic planning process made it very clear the need for more timely professional development. That is why we brought the calendar back to the board today, to approve the delayed start opportunities that allow for professional development in the areas of safety, curriculum collaboration, vertical articulation, and instructional processes. Items to note include: Circled dates will be a delayed start for staff professional development, June 4 will be the updated graduation date instead of having a two-week window between our last student day and graduation. Also, note that originally October 10th was going to be PT conference day, digital learning day, PD for the High School and a board meeting night. After receiving the 1003 flexibility waiver, which bases our school year on hours instead of days, we did not feel it was in our teachers', students', or parents' best interest to make this a digital learning day.

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Patrons'
Comments

There were no patrons' comments.

Building
Report

Mrs. Cook gave a brief building report for the elementary. Mr. McKeand gave a brief building report for the high school.

Other

There were no other comments.

Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the Triton Board of School Trustees, Mrs. Barnhart declared the meeting adjourned at 7:31 PM.

Mr. Steve Stichter, Secretary

Approved: August 08, 2022

President: _____

Secretary: _____
