

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

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

Executive Session

May 12, 2014

The Board of School Trustees of Triton School Corporation, Marshall and Kosciusko Counties, met in executive session in the Administration Office, 100 Triton Drive, Bourbon, Indiana at 6:15 PM on May 12, 2014.

Mrs. Middaugh called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Mrs. Amy Middaugh, Mr. Kevin Boyer, Mrs. Terri Barnhart, Mrs. Jerilyn Anders, and Mr. Steve Stichter.

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Mrs. Donna Burroughs – Superintendent.

TOPIC OF DISCUSSION: Personnel as per I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(9).

Adjournment

No other subject matter was discussed in the executive session other than the subject matter specified in the public notice. The meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM.

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Work Session

May 12, 2014

The Board of School Trustees of Triton School Corporation, Marshall and Kosciusko Counties, met for a work session in the Administration Office, 100 Triton Drive, Bourbon, Indiana at 6:35 PM on May 12, 2014.

Mrs. Middaugh called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Mrs. Amy Middaugh, Mr. Kevin Boyer, Mrs. Terri Barnhart, Mrs. Jerilyn Anders, and Mr. Steve Stichter.

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Mrs. Donna Burroughs – Superintendent.

TOPIC OF DISCUSSION: End-of-year topics/preparations/activities.

Adjournment

No other subject matter was discussed in the work session other than the subject matter specified in the public notice. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM.

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Regular Session

May 12, 2014

The Board of School Trustees of Triton School Corporation, Marshall and Kosciusko Counties, met in regular session in the Administration Office, 100 Triton Drive, Bourbon, Indiana at 7:00 PM on May 12, 2014.

Mrs. Middaugh called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Mrs. Amy Middaugh, Mr. Kevin Boyer, Mrs. Terri Barnhart, Mrs. Jerilyn Anders, and Mr. Steve Stichter.

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Mrs. Donna Burroughs – Superintendent, Mrs. Anita Haines – Corporation Receptionist, Mr. Jeremy Riffle – Elementary Principal, Mr. Michael Chobanov – Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Mr. Bob Ross – Jr./Sr. High School Assistant Principal, Mrs. Christine Cook – Curriculum/Assessment Coordinator, Mrs. Charlene Koenig – Guidance Counselor, Ms. Siara Sparkman – Times Union Reporter, and Mr. Dick Trowbridge – Patron.

Pledge of Allegiance

The “Pledge of Allegiance” was recited.

Consensus Agenda

Mrs. Barnhart made a motion to approve accounts payable vouchers #395 - #513 for \$493,204.36 and payrolls #8 - #9 for \$367,286.98 for a grand total of \$860,491.34, and the minutes of the April 14, 2014 executive session and regular session. Mrs. Anders seconded the motion and it carried 5-0.

Patrons’ Comments

None

Personnel

Mr. Stichter made a motion to approve Mrs. Burroughs’ recommendation for the following personnel items:

- Hire Mr. Bruce Gephart as the Maintenance Director;
- Hire Mrs. Samantha Willsey as a Secondary Math/Science Teacher and the varsity volleyball coach beginning in the 2014/2015 school year;
- Hire Mrs. Michelle Babcock as the Treasurer-Business Manager;
- Hire Mr. Richard Walter as a full-time Bus Driver beginning in the 2014/2015 school year;

Personnel (Cont.)

- Hire Mrs. Amy Chizum as a part-time Elementary Custodian;
- Hire Mr. Michael Baney as a Computer Technician at the Jr./Sr. High School;
- Hire Mr. Brad Hargrave as the 13-15 Baseball Coach;
- Accept the resignation of Mrs. Laura Reese as a Little Hoosiers Sponsor;
- Accept the resignation of Mrs. Carol Bules as an ACES Sponsor;
- Accept the resignation of Mrs. Pam Setser as a Lunchroom Supervisor at the Jr./Sr. High School, effective on May 29;
- Approve the following as Summer School Teachers at the Elementary: Mrs. Jill Finley, Mrs. Shawna Shively, Mr. Curt Kreft, Mrs. Ashleigh Hanby, and Mrs. Brittney Brosman; and
- Approve the following as Instructional Assistants for Summer School: Mrs. Pat Shearer, Mrs. Denise Shafer, Mrs. Mary Hayes, and Mrs. Lana Hostrawser.

Mrs. Barnhart seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Community
Garden
Project

made

Mrs. Burroughs submitted a one year "Lease Agreement" to Ms. Ashley Fink of Food Warriors, for the use of school property for the purpose of planting and maintaining a community garden. Mrs. Fink was advised that the Food Warriors organization is responsible for providing liability insurance for the community garden. Mr. Boyer

a motion to approve the community garden project contingent upon the Lease Agreement being signed by the Food Warriors Organization. This was followed by a second from Mrs. Anders. The motion carried 5-0.

Other
Business

Mrs. Burroughs acknowledged retirement resolutions are ready for the Board Members signatures at the conclusion of the meeting. The Board expressed their sincere appreciation to the following retirees: Mrs. Angie Klotz, Mrs. Laura Reese, Mrs. Dawn Gould, Mrs. Phyllis Watkins, Mr. Richard Anders, and Mrs. Janet Barker.

Mrs. Koenig gave a presentation on the guidance programs and activities that have been implemented for students in grades 7 – 9.

Following Mrs. Burroughs' recommendation, Mr. Stichter made a motion as follows:

- Approve the quote of Phend and Brown in the amount of \$26,500.00 for the paving project in the staff parking area located between the Elementary and Jr./Sr. High School;
- Approve the purchase of a Clarke Taski Rider floor scrubber in the amount of \$13,070.00;
- Approve the Lease Agreement for a period of four years from Kinetic Leasing to lease additional computers for all fourth grade students, and to replace machines that are outdated within the schools, and to purchase the computers at the end of the lease agreement at a cost of \$1.00 per machine and to offer for sale the computers to the students at a cost of \$1.00; and
- To reaffirm that the Superintendent has the authority to spend up to \$50,000.00 for purchases without first seeking permission of the Board for the expenditure.

Mrs. Barnhart seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Superintendent's
Report

Mrs. Burroughs identified the following Core Values that have been realized in the past month:

Continuous Improvement: The Four Star School Award to the Elementary staff.

High Expectations: The gold medal ratings that were received by the high school band and the high school choir, and the musical, "Willy Wonka" that was performed by Triton students on May 10.

Shared Leadership: Janet Jackson received a team grant to build a 3D printer for her classes.

Social Responsibility: The softball team project of selling T-Shirts to "Strike Out" juvenile diabetes.

Evidence-Based Decision Making: Staffing for next year.

Accountability: 98.4% of Triton third graders passed IREAD.

Mrs. Burroughs acknowledged the performance given in combination by elementary, junior high, and high school students in the "Willy Wonka" musical and she stated we have many talented students. Mr. Boyer commended Mr. Peter Foster for his efforts as the musical director, and he stated that the students gave a wonderful performance.

It was noted that a group has been formed to evaluate the old gym project. The "Old Gym Board" will hold a meeting at the old gym on June 26 at 7:00 PM to gather input from the community.

All ISTEP tests were administered on-line to students this year.

Sixth grade students wrote and published a book with Mrs. Mullin.

Mrs. Middaugh expressed that she enjoyed the FFA banquet very much and she reiterated that we have many talented students.

Mrs. Burroughs stated that the Board Self-Assessment needs to be completed and returned to Mrs. Mindy Klotz and the Superintendent Evaluation should be completed and returned to Mrs. Middaugh. Both documents are due prior to the June 6th Board Retreat.

Patron's
Comments

None.

Building
Reports

Mr. Riffle gave an update on events at the Elementary.

Mr. Chobanov and Mr. Ross reported on events at the Jr./Sr. High School.

Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the Board of School Trustees, at 7:40 PM Mrs. Middaugh declared the meeting adjourned.