

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

**\*\*\* BOARD MINUTES \*\*\***

**Executive Session**

**November 10, 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 6:00 PM on November 10, 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: Mid-Year Superintendent Evaluation 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 6:20 PM.

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**Work Session**

**November 10, 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 6:20 PM on November 10, 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.

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION: Strategic Plan and Calendar.

**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 6:45 PM.

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**\*\*\* BOARD MINUTES \*\*\***

**Regular Session**

**November 10, 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 6:50 PM on November 10, 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, Mrs. Christine Cook – Curriculum/Assessment Coordinator, Mr. Michael Chobanov – Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Mr. Robert Ross – Jr./Sr. High School Assistant Principal, Mr. Sonny Wyland – Wyland, Humphrey & Clevenger, and Students and Their Parents (as per the attached list).

Pledge of Allegiance

The “Pledge of Allegiance” was recited.

Mrs. Burroughs acknowledged the dedicated service of our veterans and she also acknowledged the recent passing of Mr. Kenneth Klotz who worked as a custodian for the Corporation for 26 years. There was a moment of silence to honor our veterans and Mr. Klotz.

Consensus Agenda

Mrs. Barnhart made a motion to approve accounts payable vouchers #1103 - #1202 for \$408,561.58 and payrolls #21 - #22 for \$367,816.68 for a grand total of \$776,378.26; and to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2014 work session, and regular session. Mr. Boyer seconded the motion and it carried 5-0.

Patrons’ Comments

None.

## Personnel

Mr. Stichter moved, Mrs. Barnhart seconded, and the motion carried unanimously, to approve the following personnel items:

- Approve a maternity leave of absence for Mrs. Ashleigh Hanby;
- Hire Mr. Jeremy Bules as the seventh grade boys basketball coach;
- Hire Mrs. Paige Miller as the varsity girls' basketball assistant coach;
- Hire Mrs. Kimberly Overmyer as a high school lunchroom supervisor;
- Approve a temporary teacher contract for Mrs. Laura Reese to fill the leave of absence for Mrs. Shawna Shively; and
- Accept the retirement notice of Mr. Peter Foster as the Music/Band Director at the Jr./Sr. High School. The Board and Mrs. Burroughs expressed their sincere appreciation for Mr. Foster's effort as the Music/Band Director.

G. O. Bond  
Project – Public  
Hearing

Mr. Sonny Wyland, Attorney from Wyland, Humphrey, and Clevenger, LLP, guided the Board through the public hearing process on the general obligation bond project.

Mrs. Barnhart moved, Mr. Stichter seconded, and the motion carried 5-0, to approve the postings for the notice of the public hearing as presented. The notice was posted in the post offices located in Bourbon and Tippecanoe, and in the town clerks offices located in Bourbon and Etna Green.

Mrs. Middaugh opened the meeting for the public hearing on the additional appropriations of bonds. No patrons that were present commented or objected. Mrs. Barnhart moved to close the public hearing and Mrs. Middaugh seconded the motion. The motion carried by consensus of the Board.

Mr. Boyer made a motion to adopt the additional appropriation resolution for the general obligation bond project and this was followed by a second from Mr. Stichter. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Stichter made a motion to approve advertising for the sale of the general obligation bonds. Mrs. Barnhart seconded the motion and it carried 5-0. Mrs. Burroughs, Mrs. Babcock, and Mr. Curt Pletcher from H. J. Umbaugh, will serve on the bid committee for the sale of the bonds.

Mrs. Barnhart made a motion to approve the Final Bond Resolution and this was seconded by Mrs. Anders. The motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Barnhart moved, Mrs. Anders seconded, and the motion carried 5-0, to approve the law firm, Wyland, Humphrey, and Clevenger, LLP, as the legal counsel for the general obligation bond project.

Student Presentations	<p>Students from the fourth grade class gave a presentation and showed a video on their project, "Operation Christmas Child".</p> <p>A letter of appreciation from the sixth grade class was read to the Board for allowing them to participate in the project, "Feed My Starving Children".</p> <p>Andrew Chupp gave a presentation on the National FFA convention that several members attended in Louisville, Kentucky.</p>
2014 Budget Public Hearing On Additional Appropriations-Debt Service	<p>Mrs. Middaugh stated this is considered the public hearing on the additional appropriations for the debt service fund. No patrons commented on the additional appropriation for debt service. Mr. Stichter made a motion to approve the additional appropriations resolution for debt service as presented for the 2014 budget. Mrs. Barnhart seconded the motion and it carried 5-0.</p>
2015-2016 School Calendar Adoption	<p>Mrs. Burroughs' stated that the area superintendents are continuing discussion on the 2015-2016 school calendar. It will be presented at a later date for adoption.</p>
Other Business	<p>Mr. Boyer made a motion to approve the quote from Oliver Ford in Plymouth for the purchase of two (2) Ford trucks in the amount of \$28,224.00 for each truck. Mrs. Anders seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The trucks that are being purchased will be utilized by the maintenance department and the transportation department.</p> <p>Mr. Stichter moved to approve the amended Strategic Plan for Triton School Corporation for 2014 – 2020. This was followed by a second from Mrs. Barnhart. The motion carried 5-0.</p> <p>Mrs. Barnhart moved, Mr. Stichter seconded, and the motion carried 5-0, to approve a \$100.00 stipend for all classified staff members payable on the December 19, 2014 payroll. Mrs. Burroughs stated the funds utilized to pay the stipends will be taken from the INMac fund and the Energize Indiana fund. Mrs. Burroughs and the Board expressed their appreciation for the efforts of all of the classified staff members.</p> <p>Following Mrs. Burroughs recommendation, Mr. Boyer made a motion to adopt the Resolution to Deed Old Gym to Triton School Corporation (Approve Resolution for the Acceptance of Real Estate). Mrs. Anders seconded the motion and it carried 5-0.</p>
Superintendent's Report	<p>Mrs. Burroughs announced that students will be dismissed at 1:00 PM on Wednesday, November 12, to allow staff and students the opportunity to attend funeral services for Mr. Kenneth Klotz. She added that the State of Indiana granted a waiver for the early release.</p>

Superintendent's Report (Cont.)

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

**Continuous Improvement:** The volleyball team won the sectional championship.

**High Expectations:** All members on the football team passed all of their classes and advanced to the second round of the sectional game.

**Shared Leadership:** She mentioned the special community meeting that was held in the performing arts center at the Jr./Sr. High School on October 30. The administrators participated in presenting information during the meeting.

**Social Responsibility:** Evidence of social responsibility is demonstrated through "Blessings in a Backpack"; and the 85,000+ meals that were packaged by sixth grade students along with student athletes and staff members during the "Feed My Starving Children" rally.

**Evidence-Based Decision Making and Accountability:** These Core Values were realized jointly through the bond project.

Mrs. Burroughs once again expressed her appreciation for the service of all American veterans for serving our country.

Patrons' 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.

Mrs. Middaugh expressed her appreciation for the administrators' assistance at the meeting held October 30.

Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the Triton Board of School Trustees, at 7:34 PM, Mrs. Middaugh declared the meeting adjourned.