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

Regular Session **October 05, 2026**

The Board of School Trustees of Triton School Corporation, Marshall and Kosciusko Counties, Regular Session at 7:00 PM, in the administration building, 100 Triton Drive, Bourbon, Indiana, on October 05, 2026. The meeting was live streamed on social media as well.

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

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Mr. Jeremy Riffle – Superintendent; Mr. Tom McFarland – Business Manager; Mr. Nate McKeand- Jr. Sr. High School Principal; Mr. Mason McIntyre- Elementary Principal; Mr. Orion Lemler– Triton Social Media; Oliver Ickes; Alexis Young; Max Ritchison; Colton Large

Pledge of Allegiance The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Consensus Mr. Stichter made a motion to approve accounts payable vouchers #87959-87962 and #88029-88131 in the amount of $519,387.20, payrolls #19 and #20 in the amount of $506,848.62, and voids/other in the amount of $0.00 for a grand total of $1,026,235.82; and to approve the minutes of the regular session held on September 14, 2026. Mr. Boyer seconded the motion, and it carried 5 – 0.

Patrons' Comments There were no comments from any patrons.

Personnel Mr. Stichter moved, Mr. Rettinger seconded, and the motion carried unanimously, to approve Kalista Bartol as a Substitute Teacher. Mr. Boyer made a motion to approve the resignation of David Cook as Mentor for Olivia Miller, Laurie Thompson as Mentor for Olivia Miller, and approve Olivia Miller as Junior Class Co-Sponsor, Mr. Davis seconded the motion, and it carried 5-0. Following Mr. Riffle's recommendation, Mr. Stichter made a motion to approve winter coaches, Mr. Rettinger seconded, and the vote carried 5-0.

Other Business Mr. Davis moved, Mr. Boyer seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the 2027 Budget. Mr. Stichter motioned to approve the Appropriation Reduction Resolution, Mr. Boyer seconded, and the vote carried 5-0. Mr. Boyer moved to approve the 2026/2027 Emergency Preparedness Plan, Mr. Davis seconded, and the motion carried 5-0. Mr. Stichter moved to approve the 1st Reading and Resolution of Facility Usage Policy 5730, 7510, 7510.01, and 2340, Mr. Rettinger seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

Superintendent's Report

Continuous Improvement, High Expectations, and Evidence Based Decision Making: *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.*

- Triton students and teachers should be very proud of their latest ILEARN results, particularly the 6th Grade scores, Biology scores, overall ELA scores, and 3rd, 4th, and 6th Grade Math scores. 6th grade cumulative passing is higher than the entire region.
- Triton Volleyball has at least a share of the HNAC title after its win over Pioneer last week and looks to win the title outright this week against Caston.
- Triton Cross Country won its conference race this week. All runners were named All HNAC and ran personal records. Evelyn Gephart was crowned HNAC Champion. Gavin Anderson represented the boys, placing 9th overall and earning All HNAC Honors.
- While the conference has a limited number of tennis teams, Triton Varsity Tennis had a great year, finishing its season last week at the Culver Academy Sectional.
- Congratulations to the Spirit of Triton Marching Band and Color Guard on earning a gold rating at Plymouth this last weekend.
- Congratulations to Triton golfers, Chloe McKinney and Sydney Heckaman, for earning Hoosiers North Athletic Conference All-Conference Honors, and to Brooke Kitch for earning HNAC Honorable Mention.
- Congratulations to Raven Irwin, who was accepted and has committed to attending Ball State University next fall to study nursing.
- On Sunday, September 27, 2026, Triton seniors Jillian Bules, Brooke Kitch, and Alyssa Brunner competed in the 2027 Triton Junior Miss program and were awarded $4,000 in scholarships. Brooke Kitch won the title of 2027 Triton Junior Miss and the Talent, Interview, and Scholastic Achievement portions of the program. Jillian was named 1st Runner-Up and received the Artistic Ad award, along with awards for ticket sales, Self-Expression, and Fitness. Alyssa received the Director's Choice award and was named Spirit of Junior Miss, as voted by her fellow competitors.

Updates coming soon: The entry to door 4, the ticket area is due for a facelift and better entrance reflective of our athletic programs' success. The new entrance will highlight the Tradition of Excellence that has been created over the years, and will highlight updated conference, sectionals, regionals, semi state, and state titles that have been achieved over the years. With this upgrade, we will also update the State and State runner up banners hanging on either sideline of the Trench. The current banners will be replaced with more appropriate material for the space, and will all be able to match as we add to them. The students in the current pictures date how long this entry banner has been up and we want this space to better reflect the success that our students, coaches, and corporation are very proud of.

Superintendent's Report Continued

Upcoming Bond Projects- As we work for completion of our 2024 Bond, we continue to plan for how best to proactively prepare our buildings for years to come. Currently we are looking into a new flooring solution for Triton Elementary and Triton Jr/Sr High School, classroom painting, updating some desks and chairs where needed.

Reminders- Fall Break will be next week, October 12-16th. On October 22, Triton will hold Parent Teacher Conferences at both buildings. Elementary teachers and HS Administrators will be in contact with more details as time gets closer.

ParentSquare- I begin with thanking the board for their support of us switching platforms. Please get signed up to ParentSquare if you have not already done so as this is and will continue to be the main communication system used from admin, teachers, and coaches moving forward. We are also looking to expand some of the services PS provides that includes but is not limited to sending report cards, mailers, permission slips, etc.

Patrons' Comments

None

Building Reports

Mr. McIntyre gave a report on events at the Elementary. Mr. McKeand gave a report on events at the Jr./Sr. High School.

Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the Triton Board of School Trustees, Mr. Stichter declared the meeting adjourned at 7:23 PM.

Mr. Steve Stichter, Secretary

Approved: October 05, 2026

President:

Secretary:

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Executive Session **October 28, 2026**

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 6:30 PM on October 28, 2026.

Mr. Riffle called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Mr. Kevin Boyer, Mrs. Terri Barnhart, Mr. Steven Stichter, Mr. Austin Davis, Mr. Wes Rettinger

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Mr. Jeremy Riffle - Superintendent, Mr. Nate McKeand - Jr. Sr. Principal, Mr. Tom McFarland - Business Manager

Topic of Discussion: Employee Handbook as per I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1 (16) (B)

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 8:00 PM.

Approved: November 09, 2026

President:

Secretary: