

Board Meeting Minutes

Tri-Township Consolidated School Corporation

12/12/2022

6:00 pm

Tri-Township School

1. Open Meeting

Board President Tim Guse opened the meeting followed by The Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Minutes from November Board Meeting

Chad Howell made a motion to approve the November minutes. Aaron Rust seconded the motion. ALL AYES!

3. Personnel Items

- Will Pryor – 7th and 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
Melanie Mills made a motion to approve, and Chad Howell seconded.
ALL AYES!
- Tara Soller – Assistant 7th and 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
Aaron Rust made a motion to approve, and Melanie Mills seconded.
ALL AYES

4. Claim Docket

After Board review Aaron Rust made a motion to accept the claim docket. Daron Bruder seconded the motion. ALL AYES!

5. Balance Sheet

For information only.

6. Public Comments on Agenda Items

Public comments or questions will be noted by the school board and Superintendent, but we will not conduct dialogue during the meeting. Follow up discussion through phone call, email, or scheduled in person meeting can be arranged through the superintendent's office. This will allow us to focus on school business on behalf of students and staff, as well as provide better information to our public after time to research. Thank you for understanding.

7. Breakfast and Lunch Account Debt Policy

For information only - Enclosed in the packet is the Breakfast and Lunch Account Debt Policy. Mr. Shepherd is asking for board to reacclimate with the policy. We are at a point in the year where we are going to have to start enforcing the policy on several accounts

8. 2023 – 2024 School Calendar 1st Reading

For information only - Mr. Shepherd has provided a copy to the teacher's union and Mr. McMahan and is asking for any changes or feedback that they might have. The biggest change to consider is a full week at Fall Break. Numerous schools around the area do have a full week at Fall Break and it would be nice to consider.

9. Utility / Work Vehicle

For information only - Mr. Shepherd asked that this be tabled until the spring. There are numerous options to be explored and he needs time to get more information.

10. 1782 Notice / Debt Rate

For information only - Mr. Shepherd received notification from the state and he is very pleased to announce that the actual tax rate is below 70 cents. Mr. Shepherd stated that we are still able to make changes and improve our school and have the lowest tax rate in Northern Indiana.

11. Special Education Bus Purchase

For information only – Included in the board packet are quotes for a standard bus for comparison. A request was sent to Kerlins for a price on a standard bus for comparison. Mr. Shepherd is not in a hurry on for a decision for a new bus.

12. Tiger Den Rooftop HVAC Unit

For information only – included in the board packet is a quote from Area Sheet Metal for the HVAC unit on the roof at the Tiger Den. The unit is aged out and is in bad shape. The technician has fixed the unit enough to get us through winter but the unit will not last much longer than the spring. Mr. Shepherd is working on obtaining another quote if possible.

13. Vacated Building Status

For information only – the 30 day clock has run out and we are now free to decide what we want to do next with the building. Mr. Shepherd suggests that a decision be made quickly.

Daron Bruder informed the board that he appreciated all his time and friendships he's made while on the board. Melanie Mills told him that she appreciated all the support and influence that he had given her throughout the years. The board agreed that Daron has been a great influence on everyone and they appreciate everything he has done for the school. The board presented Daron with Tri-Township swag and a lifetime pass to the Tiger Den.

14. Principal Report

Mr. McMahan reported to the board that the PTO held a Turkey Bingo right before Thanksgiving and about 70 individuals played. Approximately \$1,000 was made. Everyone had a great time and asked when the next one would be. PTO is planning on having another bingo sometime in March. The Reindeer shop returned! The elementary classes enjoyed coming into shop. Over \$3,000 in sales were made. There were great crowds for the three Christmas concerts and a play right before Christmas break. Mr. McMahan thanked Mrs. Lantz and Ms. Warren for all their hard work. The play 'Aladdin' is being planned for March. Mrs. Lantz was asked to hold a week long summer drama club this coming summer. The Robotics Club built a robot to deliver the basketball to the officials at one of the ballgames. Everyone loved it! They also built spinners that they are selling for \$5 to students. Each board member was given a spinner. Robotic classes will be working with CO2 – Monday they will build a rocket to launch. Tuesday air lifts - they will build a plane. Wednesday is speed and resistance. Thursday will be robotic basics. Friday they will be introduced to the game and will practice for a mini competition on Saturday. The Robotics team will compete in a competition in March down by Indianapolis.

15. Board Meeting Calendar

Chad Howell made a motion to approve moving the board meetings to the fourth Monday of each month. Daron Bruder seconded. ALL AYES!

16. Adjourn Meeting

Daron Bruder made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Chad Howell.
ALL AYES!

Next Board Meeting

January 23, 6:00 pm, Tri-Township School