

Board Meeting Minutes

Tri-Township Consolidated School Corporation

3/2/2023

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 January board meeting

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

3. Personnel Items

- Michael Shoenrad (Shenrod) – Varsity Boys Baseball Coach
Melanie Mill made a motion to approve Michael Shoenrad for varsity baseball coach and Chad Howell seconded. ALL AYES!
- Kolton Linback – Assistant Baseball Coach
Aaron Rust made a motion to approve Kolton Linback for assistant baseball coach and Chad Howell seconded. ALL AYES!

4. Claim Docket

After Board review Aaron Rust made a motion to accept the claim docket. Nick Poort 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. Heartland Church Presentation

For information only. A meeting will be scheduled with Heartland Church to hear their ideas on LaCrosse High School building. Heartland is available on Tuesday nights or March 16.

8. 2nd Reading on 2023-2024 Calendar

A number of changes have been made to the 2023-2024 calendar to match New Durham as much as possible since we will be sharing classes. Built into the new calendar are 4 early release days and 3 snow days. Aaron Rust made a motion to approve the 2023-2024 school calendar and Nick Poort seconded. ALL AYES!

9. Bond / Debt Information

For information only. Item #'s 9, 10, & 11 will be discussed together. We received pricing updates from PSI to coincide with our bond information from Jim Elizondo.

10. 5 year Strategic Plan Update

For information only. Included in the packet is an updated list to reflect tasks that are completed and others to consider.

11. Basketball Hoops / Curtain

For information only. Included in the packet is a quote for basketball hoops and a curtain.

12. Therapy / Service Dog Policy

For information only. Included in your packet are the current policy and a new NEOLA version for consideration. Kati Wright is getting a service dog. Ms. Wright, Mr. McMahan and Mr. Shepherd have had some talks about her dog being used for dual purpose as a school therapy dog similar to SC and other schools. This is the first reading.

13. State Police CDL Inspection

For information only. The Indiana State Police were here for paperwork only. Mr. Shepherd is working with the BMV to set up an account for MVR's. The Indiana police will be back when everything is set up. The officers were very happy with the paperwork that was in the file from Figment.

14. Maintenance / Work Vehicle

For information only. Mr. Shepherd is waiting on requested price quotes and would like to revisit this at a later month.

15. Principal Report

February was a very busy month for our staff and students. February 10th, was homecoming and the boys' basketball team won two games that night against West Central. February 11th, a Sweetheart Dance was held for K-12. K-5 and middle school was held at Tri-Township school. Parents were invited to the K-5 dance and they were a great help in getting the students out on the dance floor. The high school was held at the LaCrosse gym. Everyone had a wonderful time! The girls' basketball team finished their season and tied the record for most wins in a season at 17. Mrs. Lantz took three students – Payton Clark, Alyse Frank and Caden Marome to the Circle of State Music Program at Hebron High School. They arrived at Hebron in the early morning, received a list of songs, practiced the songs all day, and a concert was performed by the elementary and middle school around 3 p.m. Our school was well represented! The robotics team has competed in two competitions. The first competition was at Caston where they placed 7th and the second was at Triton Central where they placed 3rd. When the team arrived at Triton Central their robot was 1/8" to big so they had to rebuild it on the spot. Friday March 3, at 5 pm we will have STEAM Night which is science, technology, engineering, art and math. Everyone is welcome! Saturday, March 4 is PTO bingo night. March 1, our PTO along with HealthLink sponsored kindergarten round up. Mr. McMahan will have kindergarten numbers in the near future. Mr. McMahan has an intern, Barb Deardorf, who is working on her administration's license. She is working on an attendance analysis for the elementary. Mr. McMahan should have the report back next week and will be using the data to make changes in the attendance policy. Captain Allen from the LaPorte County Sheriff's Office came in and said that the SRO's need their own office. Offices were moved around and they will now be in the front office.

16. Adjourn Meeting

Aaron Rust made a motion to adjourn meeting and seconded by Chad Howell.
ALL AYES!