

Tri-Township Consolidated School Corporation

04/22/2021 6:00pm Wanatah School

1. **Open Meeting:** Board President, Tim Guse, opened the meeting followed by The Pledge of Allegiance.

2. **Minutes from March 18th Board Meeting Approval:**
Chad Howell made a motion to approve. Aaron Rust seconded the motion. ALL AYES!!

3. **Personnel**
 - Preston Frame- Resignation Varsity Boys Basketball Coach- motion to approve made by Melanie Mills. Motion seconded by Daron Bruder. ALL AYES!!
 - David Prokop- Teaching position, Varsity Boys Basketball Coach, Asst. Transportation- motion to approve made by Melanie Mills. Motion seconded by Aaron Rust. ALL AYES!!

4. **Claim Docket**
Aaron Rust made a motion to approve the claim docket. Chad Howell seconded the motion. ALL AYES!!

5. **Balance Sheet- information**

6. **Public Comments on Agenda Items**
A concerned citizen asked Mr. Shepherd about number twelve on the agenda- Why are we having our roofs repaired so often? Mr. Shepherd explained that the presentation from TREMCO will be about an on-going maintenance program they have to offer. Not a roof repair.

The same citizen would like to know what we plan to do with the ESSER III funds. Mr. Shepherd replied it will be largely spent on learning loss which will include summer school, remediation, tutoring and curriculum.

A concerned citizen asked if the mowing contract was bid out. Mr. Shepherd replied that the mowing contract was established before his time and he did not know if it was bid out.

A concerned citizen asked how many mowers the school has. Mr. Shepherd replied that we own two mowers which are both utilized at Wanatah School. The same citizen would like to know if the mowing contract includes the use of a school provided mower at LaCrosse School. Mr. Shepherd requested that the citizen email him the questions that he has.

7. Wanatah Addition Plan Choice

The board and the technical review committee have had presentations from Performance Services regarding locations for the addition. Based on programming, future potential growth, and cost analysis we need to provide PSI a final decision.

There are two options:

#1 West side of the building location

#2 North end of the building location

There is a difference between the two options of roughly \$400,000.

Mr. Shepherd recommends to the board that the West option would be the best option for us not only financially but from a programming stand point.

After some board discussion:

Aaron Rust made a motion to approve option #1 West side of the building location. Chad Howell seconded the motion. ALL AYES!!

8. Rust Mowing Contract

Mr. Shepherd presented the board with a mowing contract which was provided by Aaron Schmoll, from Monica Conrad's office. He needs a copy of the contract signed by the President, Secretary and Aaron as the contractor. Melanie Mills made a motion for approval. Daron Bruder seconded the motion. Aaron Rust abstained. ALL AYES!!

9. Board Disclosure Form Extensions

These are being extended from 2017. Mr. Shepherd was under the impression these were completed only at the beginning of a term unless there were changes. Monica Conrad informed him that these need to be done yearly. This will be put on our January to do list going forward. Chad Howell made a motion for approval. Daron Bruder seconded the motion. ALL AYES!!

10. Responsible Bidder Policy

Monica Conrad has finalized the Responsible Bidder Policy and it has been presented to the board in their packet. Once reviewed Melanie Mills made a motion to approve. Daron Bruder seconded the motion. ALL AYES!!

11. Technology Upgrades Presentation Revisit-information

Mr. Shepherd wanted to touch base with the board to see if there are any questions since Jacob (our IT director) presented our needs at the last meeting. He wants the board to keep this on their radar for future discussions.

12. Roof Maintenance Presentation from TREMCO-information

Todd Linklater provided a presentation on the status of the roofs at both school locations and possible relationships for future maintenance.

13. Summer School Information

Mr. Shepherd is looking to have our summer school plan approved. This approval would offer summer school at all levels in the month of June which would include transportation. At that point we will evaluate and decide if a July and early August session will be necessary. This would be funded in combination between regular summer school reimbursement and CARES Act funding.

Aaron Rust made a motion to approve the plan. Melanie Mills seconded the motion. ALL AYES!!

14. Principal Reports

Mr. Gabriel explained that since the last board meeting scores were received for our I-Read exam. We had four perfect scores which is extremely exciting!! We also had two near perfect scores!! These students and their families will be invited to the next board meeting to be honored.

I-Learn test week is next week. Earth day was celebrated at school with special activities in each classroom. The middle school student council also helped younger students with clean up around the school grounds. Mr. Gabriel is excited about the summer school program that is being planned.

Mr. McMahan was excited to announce that our spring athletics programs have had a great start. There seems to be a different buzz in the building right now and the excitement is noticeable.

Our incoming freshman orientation took place last night. Mrs. Kramer did a great job explaining the requirements for graduation.

We are planning to have a freshman orientation before school starts to give our incoming freshman time to adjust to their new surroundings.

Our student council will be at school that day as well for support.

Our Academic Super bowl team competed Tuesday night. This event was held virtually this year so results are not yet available.

Mr. McMahan wants to recognize Becky Rhodes for all of her hard work with our students to get them caught up with all of their work. She has done a great job pushing our students to work hard! Thank you Becky!

15. SA-5 Reports

After review board member Daron Bruder made a motion to approve the SA-5 reports. Melanie Mills seconded the motion. ALL AYES!!

16. Superintendent Report

Mr. Shepherd reports that bus inspection is May 4th.

17. Adjournment

Aaron Rust made a motion to adjourn. Daron Bruder seconded the motion. ALL AYES!!

Next Board Meeting May 20 6:00pm@LaCrosse

