

BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
Tri-Township Consolidated School Corporation

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Tri-Township Schools

Tri-Township Schools Cafeteria
309 School Drive
Wanatah, IN 46390
Monday, July 28, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Our vision is that all students will be college and career ready.

Our mission is to guarantee that every student achieves high levels of learning and development.

- 1. Open Board Meeting** - Meeting was called to order by Tim Guse, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Consent Items**
 - a. Minutes - June 23, 2025, Chad Howell motioned to approve, Melanie Mills seconded. ALL AYES
 - b. Financial reports, Melanie Mills motioned to approve, Aaron Rust seconded. ALL AYES
 - c. Claims, Aaron Rust motioned to approve, Nick Poort seconded. ALL AYES
 - d. Payroll, Melanie Mills motioned to approve, Chad Howell seconded. ALL AYES
 - e. Personnel Report

Certified

Leaves/Resignations

- Dr. Pamela Moore as Superintendent effective July 18, 2025, Nick Poort motioned to approve, Chad Howell seconded. ALL AYES
- Victoria VandeBunte as English Language Arts Teacher effective July 18, 2025, Melanie Mills motioned to approve, Nick Poort seconded. ALL AYES

Employment

- Dr. Paige McNulty as Interim Superintendent effective July 28, 2025, Nick Poort motioned to approve, Chad Howell seconded. ALL AYES
- Alicia Trauscht as 5th Grade Teacher effective August 11, 2025, Aaron Rust motioned to approve, Chad Howell seconded. ALL AYES
- Mindy Rouse as PLTW Teacher effective August 11, 2025, Melanie Mills motioned to approve, Aaron Rust seconded. ALL AYES

- Tara O'Hare as Girls Junior High School Volleyball Coach, Melanie Mills motioned to approve, Chad Howell seconded. ALL AYES

Adjustments

- Kiersten Duzan from 5th Grade Teacher to Junior High School Math Teacher effective August 11, 2025, Aaron Rust motioned to approve, Chad Howell seconded. ALL AYES
- Tara O'Hare from Literacy Coach to English Language Arts Teacher effective August 11, 2025, Aaron Rust motioned to approve, Chad Howell seconded. ALL AYES

Classified

Leaves/Resignations

- Michael Schoenrad as Varsity Head Baseball Coach, Aaron Rust motioned to approve, Nick Poort seconded. ALL AYES
- Barry Evans as Bus Driver effective July 21, 2025, Aaron Rust motioned to approve, Nick Poort seconded. ALL AYES

Employment

- Kevin Juris as IT Specialist effective August 1, 2025, Melanie Mills motioned to approve, Chad Howell seconded. ALL AYES
- Alyssa Rippe as Custodian effective August 1, 2025, Nick Poort motioned to approve, Chad Howell seconded. ALL AYES
- Blake Logsdon as Varsity Baseball Coach, Aaron Rust motioned to approve, Nick Poort seconded. ALL AYES
- Derek Logsdon as Varsity Assistant Baseball Coach, Aaron Rust motioned to approve, Nick Poort seconded. ALL AYES

Adjustments

- none

3. Public Comment - none

4. Action Items

- Approve a change to the 2025-2026 school calendar - 28th last student day and 29th last teacher work day, Chad Howell motioned to approve, Aaron Rust seconded. ALL AYES
- Approve the student attendance and truancy revisions to the 2025-2026 student handbook per IC20-33-2-14 and 20-33-2.5-4, Aaron Rust motioned to approve, Nick Poort seconded. ALL AYES
- Approve the school lunch policy changes to the 2025-2026 student handbook, Melanie Mills motioned to approve, Chad Howell seconded. ALL AYES

- d. Approve the bid for cleaning services for the 2025-2026 school year, Aaron Rust motioned to approve, Chad Howell seconded. ALL AYES
- e. Approve stipends \$150 each for reading comprehension professional development on July 15th & 16th for Tara O'Hare, Savannah Sonaty, Abby Plemons, Alicia Trauscht, and Alissa Clemons, Melanie Mills motioned to approve, Chad Howell seconded. ALL AYES
- f. Approve Human Sexuality Curriculum Materials - Glencoe Health Human Sexuality and Teen Health Healthy Relationships and Sexuality, Aaron Rust motioned to approve, Nick Poort seconded. ALL AYES
- g. Approve the agreement with Stifel for consulting services, Aaron Rust motioned to approve, Nick Poort seconded. ALL AYES
- h. Approve the professional services agreement for behavioral health services between LaPorte County Comprehensive Mental Health Council, Inc. and Tri-Township Consolidated School Corporation, Chad Howell motioned to approve, Aaron Rust seconded. ALL AYES

5. Discussion Items

6. Board Comments

- 7. Adjournment,** Aaron Rust motioned to adjourn, Nick Poort seconded. ALL AYES

Our next regular meeting will be held on August 25, 2025.

NOTE: The Board's meeting site is fully accessible to all persons. Any person requiring further accommodation should contact the Superintendent's Office with the School Corporation's administrative office at 219-754-2709.