December 10, 2019

TO: Media

FROM: Mr. Patrick Culp, Tri-County School Corporation

RE: Regular School Board Meeting, Monday, December 9, 2019.

The Tri-County School Board met for their Regular meeting on Monday, December 9, 2019. The following topics were covered:

- 1. Ms. Hall announced the Students of the Month for November Chloe Neidlinger, Bowyn Bahler
 - Ms, Hall and Mrs. Ashley Hensler announced the Students of the Month for December Elsa Blume, Austin Demerly

Mr. Hagan and Mrs. Aimee Clark announced the Students of the Month for November Kyra Sizemore, John Humphreys

Mr. Hagan and Mrs. Natasha Demerly announced the Students of the Month for December Calamity Gott, Miquel Marquez

Mr. McCracken announced the Students of the Month for November Junior High School -Elyzabeth Bahler, Ethan Auxier High School – Bailey Kyle Social Studies – Zach Gretencord Language Arts – Bailey Kyle Math – Aidan Sanders PE/FACS/Health – Steven Conley Fine Arts – Elizabeth Turza CTE (Agriculture) – Chase Stearns Science – Kylie Foster

Mr. McCracken announced the Students of the Month for December Junior High School – Jasmine Province, Ryleeanne Sheldon High School – Jacob Stoller
Social Studies – Ashton Hornbeck
Language Arts – Maddie Musser
Math – Jacob Stoller
PE/FACS/Health – Sarah Miller
Fine Arts – Willa Wamsley
CTE (Agriculture) – Harmony Pirlot
Science – Courtney Roudebush

 Under the Reach Higher Showcase, Mr. Haskins recognized the following students: Junior High Volleyball (WC Champs) Ella Culp, Morgan Taulman, Gwendolynn Styck, Hannah Arvin, Sara Zarse, Lizzy Bahler, Taylor VanMeter, Chesney Porter Marching Band (State Finalists) Keahi Zussman, Marissa Schini, Lizbeth Geronimo Ms. Mosier's Culinary Class (Senior Breakfast, Career Café, Veteran's Day Meal) Jasmine Southern, Quinten Styck, Taylor Doty
ELL Student Assistance (Helped students who could not speak any English) Lizbeth Geronimo
FFA Meat Judging Team (Went to Nationals) Chase Stearns, Leah Schneider, Lane Cochran, Blake Peterson
Work Based Learners (Vocational Students working at Lou & Katina Farney, Farney's Service

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- 3. Under Visitor's Comments, Nine 5th Grade students from Tri-County Intermediate School along with Mr. Jordan Bennett, conducted a presentation on a crossing guard for Hwy 24 in Wolcott.
- 4. Under Visitor's Comments, Lynn Saylor discussed the possibility of carrying NARCAN for school nurses. Ms. Saylor presented a brief film and information on what NARCAN can do and how to use it. The Board will not make a decision at this time, but appreciated the information on the NARCAN.
- 5. Under Visitor's Comments, Mrs. Mandy Taulman reported on the Red for Ed Day in Indianapolis on November 19. Mrs. Taulman reported that 13 teachers from Tri-County traveled on a bus with North White School Corporation and there were over 20,000 teachers there that day. The teachers will continue to push for Public Education and will promote public education at the December 20th basketball game here at Tri-County. Each Board member received a pan of Cinnamon Rolls from CTO in thanks for their help in reaching negotiations.
- 6. Under the Technology Report, Mrs. Shannon Kelly, Technology Director, reported that the Technology Department is still continuing with the Cyber Security Topic and she has asked Mr. Dwayne Schultz about being the Cybersecurity specialist for the District. Plans are being made on how to share information to train TC staff about Cybersecurity Topics as well as focus on making sure devices stay in compliance to keep a secure cyber environment. A summer project for the team is looking into options for the replacement of the Virtual Server environment. The Catchon Demo has gone well. We are looking into licensing this product for the next year to do our best evaluation of Cloud based products we use. Mrs. Kelly walked all 3 schools with Andrew Lanoue, SRO, and Greg Payne, Vermillion Systems Camera vendor, to talk about adjusting the angles of some cameras as well as purchasing some new cameras for areas of concern.
- 7. Under Board Committee Reports, Dr. Schemerhorn reported in regards to the Tri-County Educational Foundation. They awarded 13 grants totaling approximately \$9,645.00 from the fall grant applications for all 3 schools and will send out a spring application for another round of grant awards.
- 8. Ms. Hall reported to the Board that SRO Officer Andrew Lanoue is doing such a nice job at TCP and really appreciates the Board for hiring an SRO. Ms. Hall announced that Family Reading Night was held with about 100 people in attendance. The program, Buddy Builders is going on where the Junior High Student Council is working with TCP students on building positive traits, curriculum mapping is being done at this time and Ms. Hall invited everyone to attend the Elementary Christmas Program on Wednesday, December 11, at 1:00 p.m. at the high school gym.
- 9. Mr. Hagan reported to the Board that the Veteran's Day program was very nice, the Spell Bowl team took a first place in competition and the Robotics Team has competed twice and will do twice more after Christmas. One of the Robotics team was 14th in the State. Mr. Hagan reported that two of his students, Lauren Bledsoe, and Mariah Anstett, were in the PMO Christmas Program and he thanked the Board for letting the elementary Schools attend the PMO Christmas Program on Friday, December 6. A representative from Purdue University is still coming to help with the Hydroponics and all is going well with the project and Mr. Hagan announced that he will be a presenter at a STEM conference in

January.

- 10. Mr. McCracken reported to the Board that it is reassuring to meet with SRO Andrew Lanoue every Day. Officer Lanoue keeps Mr. McCracken informed on any concerns and has contracted guest speakers to present at the Junior/Senior High School.
- 11. Mr. Haskins congratulated Mr. Hagan on being a presenter at the STEM conference. Mr. Haskins announced that finals will be next week from Tuesday through Friday and Mr. Haskins and Mr. McCracken have come up with some Brain Breaks during finals week. The counselors are still meeting with the students for schedules and pathway requirements and they are all still looking for ways to help with struggling students to begin second semester. The ASVAB results came back and Mr. Haskins was very pleased with the test scores and the tests will be offered again in April. Mr. Haskins announced that the winter sports are in full swing and he hopes these students are enjoying themselves without getting too wrapped up in winning and losing. A food drive was held with all 3 schools and 1000+ items were collected and many can be used for the Backpack Program. The Art class is painting the trash cans at the high school and Mr. Jeremy Sterk has just been certified for 3D Archery. Mr. Haskins is very thankful for the SRO Officer at the high school. Mr. Haskins once again thanked Mr. McCracken for being so good with the students and builds relationships with the students.
- 12. The Board approved the retirement of Mrs. Karla Buntin, Corporation Secretary/Assistant Treasurer, effective June 30, 2020.
- 13. The Board approved the employment of Mrs. Morgan Gretencord, High School Guidance/Attendance Secretary, effective Friday, December 6, 2019, at a rate of \$13.04/hour.
- 14. The Board approved the calendar for the 2020-2021 school year as presented.
- 15. The Board approved the 2020 Board Meeting Dates as stated.
- 16. The Board approved the contract from Administrator Assistance for assistance in the mediation process.
- 17. Mr. Culp briefly went over the new set of NEOLA Policy changes and explained that this is the First Reading and no action is required at this time. Mr. Culp thanked Mrs. Cantrell, Dr. Schemerhorn, and Mr. Bernie Graser for reviewing the 24 policies.
- 18. The Board declared the following technology equipment as surplus property: 14 iMacs, 16 HP Compaq Towers, 42 Lenovo Towers, 7 Bytespeed Towers, 28 Macbooks, and 12 iPad 2's.
- 19. The Board approved the transfers to Rainy Day Fund as needed at the end of the year.
- 20. Mrs. Susan Good, School Nurse, read her letter of resignation, as she took another job effective January 6, 2020. Mr. Culp thanked her for her 10 years of service here at Tri-County and action on resignation will take place at the January Board meeting.