

May 31, 2023

TO: Media

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

RE: Regular School Board Meeting, Monday, May 8, 2023

The Tri-County School Board met for their Regular meeting on Monday, May 8, 2023.

The following topics were covered:

1. Students of the Month for Junior High are Junior High School – Junior High School – Kaydence Schultz 7th, Gracie Scheitlin 8th, High School - Fine Arts (Art): Ian Orns, Math: Denzel Herrera-Pearson, English Language Arts: Christian Wallace, Social Studies: Zak Joseph, CTE (Computer Integrated Manufacturing): Ian Brooks, Science: Aeden Stewart, FACS (Culinary Arts): Sammy Bunjan & JP Schemerhorn, ELA: Connor Schultz
2. Students of the Month for TCI are Third Grade: Bowan Young, Fourth Grade: Damon Ramos, Fifth Grade: Nathan Changose, Sixth Grade: Mackenzie Burns
3. Students of the Month at TCP from Ms. Pilotte's Kindergarten class are Raeleigh Spurlock and Jordan Blount
4. Under Student Showcase, Mr. Haskins spoke about Johannes Sykora a foreign exchange student from Austria. Mr. Haskins said that he was a great fit and blends in very well. While at Tri-County he played basketball and baseball. Mr. Haskins said "Thank you for your time here and you will be missed." Johannes leaves in June to go back home to Austria.
5. Mr. Culp wanted to thank the administration and Tinika Whitcomb for all their help with the referendum. Mr. Culp thanked Ralph Jeffers, who passed out at least 52 referendum yard signs. Mr. Culp thanked the school board for their contribution to the referendum. Mr. Culp also thanked the teachers who walked around Remington and Wolcott for all their help with the referendum. Also a big thanks for our continued support from our Community. Mr. Kilmer said thank you to Mr. Culp.
6. Under Visitor comments, Mrs. McQuinn wanted to thank Mr. Haskins and Mr. McCracken for hosting Battle of the Books at the High School. She thanked Mr. Sterk, Mrs. Young and Mrs. Weller for their help with setting up for the Battle of the Books. The high school secretaries for running extra parents through the Raptor system. Battle of the Books had 67 students from 5 different schools grades 4, 5 and 6. Tri-County swept all 3 grades.
7. Mrs. Shannon Kelly reported to the board that Technology is preparing their summer work list. Cleaning up end of year DOE reports for July reporting term. Submitted the Annual DOE- Tech Learning Survey. Technology staff is preparing to take in laptops for the end of the school year.
8. Mr. Culp reported for Officer Sweney to the board that she has completed her firearms training. She received a letter from the Academy regarding moving forward with the waiver process. She will be attending SRO School May 15-19 for required training. She is still moving towards completing school layout maps for each three schools.
9. Under Construction Report, Mr. Culp reported that he attended a pre-construction meeting on May 4, 2023 on the track/concession stand project. Spencer Construction will start with removal of the track on May 29, 2023. Mr. Culp discussed the additional appropriation information provided to the Board. Official action regarding the additional appropriation is not required until the June board meeting.
10. Under the Board Committee Reports, Dr. Schemerhorn stated that the Education Foundation reviewed grants and discussed the Crystal Apple Awards. The Crystal Apple Awards will be announced on June 2, 2023. Mr. Gerber stated at the Budget session it was discussed that more money will be allocated to

education but more will go to Charter Schools. Mrs. Cantrell Remington passed a resolution to continue to donate to robotics. Mr. Culp reported that the Remington Park Board 2023 lease agreement needs to be reviewed by the Board members. Mr. Culp stated that it is a fair five year agreement for an annual fee of \$2,000.00. The reason for the fee is to update scoreboards and maintenance of the baseball/softball fields. The board would like our attorney to look over the agreement before making a final decision. Mr. Arvin stated that the Superintendent evaluation forms have been completed and sent out to Board members. Mr. Arvin stated that the Superintendent evaluation form needs to be completed by the next board meeting.

11. Mr. Culp reported to the Board for TCP that Ms. Hall had not submitted anything. Mr. Culp did report that TCP had Pre-K and Kindergarten round up in April and it went well.
12. Mrs. Pearson reported to the board that we are finishing up ILEARN testing and just have a few makeup tests. We appreciate all of the snacks that PTO donated for our students during ILEARN. Mrs. LeBeau has planned our field day for Thursday the 11th. IREAD makeup tests will be Monday the 15th and 16th. Second grade is going to come visit on May 16th in the afternoon. These past couple of weeks we have had Administrative assistants day, Teacher Appreciation, and Nurses Day. I would like to take the time to thank the team at TCI for all of their hard work and dedication that they show to all of the students and families. They really go above and beyond and I appreciate that. The awards ceremony is planned for Tuesday the 23rd. 6th grade will begin at 9 and then go into the cafeteria for some refreshments, while the 3-5 grade teachers present the awards for their grade levels.
13. Mr. McCracken reported to the board that he has the privilege of knowing the owners of the Madam Carrol and the owners said that out of all of the Proms they have done TC Proms the best they've ever done. They were impressed with how they acted on the boat and the weather was great.
14. Mr. Haskins reported to the board that welding took a field trip to Cives Steel/Terra Drive. Mr. Schemerhorn took 40 students. AP Testing is this week (Calculus on Monday AM/Biology on Wednesday PM). We will celebrate Mrs. Alberts on Nurses' Day on Wednesday. Curriculum Awards are Friday, 5/12, at 6:30pm. The FFA Blood Drive is Tuesday, 5/16. Our 8th grade Celebration Lunch is at the Wolcott Cafe. Senior Walk-throughs of both elementaries and the high school are on Wednesday, 5/17. High school band and choir - Spring concert is on Wednesday, 5/17, at 6:30pm. Finals start on Thursday, 5/18. Senior Celebration Night is Friday, 6/2. Graduation is Sunday, 6/4, at 2:00PM in the main gym. Track sectionals next week. Congrats to both Girls/Boys on winning the MidWest Conference. Baseball and softball sectionals are the week of 5/21. Golf sectional is Friday, 6/2
15. There was nothing to report for Old Business.
16. Under New Business, the Board approved the retirement of Karen Lowry, Middle School Science Teacher and Pam Weller, Head Custodian. The employment of Hanna Jones, TCI Cook; Jackie Miller, Night Custodian Jr/Sr High School; Nyonda Shields, Night Custodian Jr/Sr High School and the resignation of Nora Bodine, TCI Cook.
17. The board approved the Resolution for Instructional Day Waiver.
18. The board approved to approve the exemption from the USDA to keep meal prices the same for the 2023-2024 school year
19. The board approved the price of a carton of milk to \$0.60.
20. The board approved of the Nut Aware Policy as presented.
21. The board approved of the School Meal Policy as presented.
22. Under the Superintendent's Report, Mr. Culp reported the Tri-County Education Fund (TCEF) recently approved over \$24,500 in grants and \$6,000 in scholarships. Thank you to TCEF for the continued support of TCSC students and teachers. One grant for CTE certifications may require corporation funds to fully support. Thank you to the CFWC grant, our summer food program is fully funded for TCP and TCI. Mrs. Gina Anderson has completed the grants and worked diligently to obtain funds to support this worthy endeavor.

23. Mr. Culp reported to the board to review and discuss Additional Appropriation into Operations fund to finance the Track/ Concession stand project. Board action required at the June meeting.
24. Mr. Culp reported that the NEOLA board policy regarding retention, promotion and replacement is attached for review. At the June Board meeting, the board will review updates to the policy. Also a reminder that the June Board meeting is on Tuesday, June 13, 2023.