

# Tri-County Area School District

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Plainfield, Wisconsin  
Minutes from Regular School Board Meeting  
Held December 18, 2017

## **#87 Call to Order**

Mark Bacon-President called the meeting to order at 5:22 pm in the District Office conference room.

## **#88 Roll Call of Members/Declaration of Quorum**

School board members present were Mark Bacon, Jeff Hopkins, Jim Knutson, Jim Cesar, Peggy Buckholt, Cindy Baumgartner, and Jerry Knutson. Wayne Cummings and Susan Lederer were absent from the meeting. A quorum was declared.

## **#89 The "Pledge of Allegiance" was recited**

## **#90 Adoption of the Agenda**

Mark Bacon made note that on the agenda our school representative was Andrea' Boyd, but Daniel Kaehn was our representative for this evening. Peggy Buckholt made a motion to accept the change to the agenda; Jerry Knutson seconded and carried on a voice vote to adopt the agenda.

## **#91 Revenue/Expense Report**

Anthony Marinack, District Administrator, stated that 21.31% \$1,916,828.38 of the anticipated revenue has been received to date and 32.96% \$3,141,836.43 of this year's budget had been spent to date. This is an example of a month when a fund balance is very necessary. That is 1.25 million into our fund balance this month. Tony will ask our bookkeeper Amy Hopkins to make a cash flow chart for the board to see for next month's meeting.

## **#92 Bills/Receipts Approved**

Jim Cesar made a motion, Peggy Buckholt seconded, and carried on a voice vote to approve checks 976600 through 976711 and wire transfers #20170050 through # 20170057 in the amount of \$393,430.24 and receipt of revenue for \$283,392.42, November 29, 2017 through December 18, 2017.

## **#93 Public Forum**

Jerry Knutson W10434 County P Almond WI. 54909 asked if Tony could explain the Fitness Center Policy when a person under the age of 18, not a Tri-County student should be handled? Tony stated that under the direction of our school attorney Tony Renning a school policy was put in place years ago when the fitness center was built. Tri-County students in 7<sup>th</sup> grade or above are allowed in the

fitness center and/or gym (if the person running the fitness center opens the gym). If you are not a Tri-County student, you have to be 18 years of age and you have to purchase a fitness pass. The reason this was put in place is we have no insurance that would cover a non Tri-County student and if the child is under the age of 18 we have no student handbook/board policy control over that person. If they are our student, they sign a handbook and they can have consequences and be reprimanded through our school board policies. If you are over 18, we can just call the police and they will deal with it. This policy is posted on our school website and the policy number is Code #835.00AR. Jerry also asked how many tax dollars went into building the fitness center. Tony stated it was all done with donations/grants to build it, and now it is run through fund 80; which is a community fund. Jerry thanked Tony for his explanation, and would explain to the person that had asked him about this issue.

#### **#94 Consent Agenda Items Approved**

Jim Cesar made a motion, seconded by Jim Knutson and carried on a voice vote, to approve the following consent agenda items:

- Minutes from Regular Board Meeting Held November 28, 2017
- Hired Elizabeth Bechard as Spelling Bee Coach at Step 1.
- Accept resignation from Garrett Pagel as HS assistant baseball coach.
- Accept resignation from Mike Vesperman as HS head football coach
- Accept resignation from David Krystowiak as HS assistant track coach

#### **#95 Letters of Intent EXH-1718-15**

Jeff Hopkins made a motion; Jerry Knutson seconded and carried on a voice vote, to approve the letter of intents for the fall sports.

#### **#96 Reports**

Student Representative Daniel Kaehn reported that last Monday evening the 7-12<sup>th</sup> grade band concert was held under the direction of our new band director Matthew Miles. Daniel said the performance went very well, and Mr. Miles had brought back Mr. Femal (who retired last year) as a funny, quirky, older band director. It was great to have Mr. Femal back one last time and it was great to have the band do so well. The 7-12 Choir concert was going to start in 1 hour and 12 minutes and Daniel had heard that there was going to be a solo performance and heard that it was going to be very good. On Friday of this week, the High School will be trying something new with Movie/Game day. There will be different games set up; one for example is an escape room that is so popular right now. Movies and alumni day will also take place. Winter Sports are on their way, The HS Girls basketball team are undefeated, the HS Boys are enjoying their new coach and enjoying the season, the HS Wrestling program is on their way and Brandon Peckham picked up his 100<sup>th</sup> win on Thursday evening in Almond. Quiz Bowl starts in January, and Math League hopes to pick up a win at their second meet, also held in January. The Freshman class of 2021 are doing CPR classes with Coach K. Danny also reported on the Play that was held at the beginning of December. It was a little different this year with parts of the play being divided into minuets. Overall, the play was fun, and it was very

well liked by the audience. Danny will be graduating in the spring so that was his final performance. Anthony Marinack discussed the auditor's report from the 2016-2017 audit from July 2017. In our financial statement findings the auditor always finds segregation of duties as an issue because we choose (as a district) not to have a business manager. Tony and Amy cover all the financial duties, and the school board oversees all the bills and receipts. We, as a small district, cannot justify a business manager position. Tony also discussed the WASB resolutions that will be voted on at the WASB January School Board Convention. We as a board have chosen not to attend this year because of the budget, therefore we will not have an attendee to vote. Tony thanked Jeff Hopkins and gave him his packet for the upcoming Strategic Planning meeting. Jeff and Wayne Cummings will represent the board in the Strategic Planning meetings to be held in January and February. Shawn Jepson, EC-6<sup>th</sup> grade principal gave her report on the 4k-6<sup>th</sup> grade Concert that was held on December 14<sup>th</sup>, attendance was phenomenal again. She also reported that the PTA's Santa's Workshop was held on December 15<sup>th</sup> and was also a huge success. Peggy asked if there was a limit to how many items a student could buy? Shawn said no, the kids bring in their list and money and can purchase what items they want. Shawn also explained that if some students did not have money, anonymous donors have given money and they give the kids vouchers and there is also a free table that kids can take from. Therefore, it is nice for all students. In addition, the PTA elves wrap for the kids. Shawn also reported in her upcoming reports that the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> will be going to Skate City on Thursday. PALS testing will be begin on January 3<sup>rd</sup> and STAR testing on January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

### **#97 Future Agenda Items**

2018-2019 Calendar

Anthony Marinack Superintendent evaluation

### **#98 Announcements**

Anthony Marinack Superintendent evaluation should be sent to Mark Bacon by January 20.

The T-C Holiday Basketball Tournament will be held December 28<sup>th</sup> and December 29<sup>th</sup> with games starting at 2:00 p.m. each day.

### **#99 Set Meeting Date**

Next Meeting January 23<sup>rd</sup>

### **#100 Adjourned at 6:26 p.m.**

Recorded by: Wendy Hetzel

Submitted by:

Susan Lederer