**TRI-RIVERS JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

**January 12, 2011 @ 7:00 p.m.**

**Room 104, TRCC**

The Tri-Rivers Joint Vocational School District Board of Education met on the above date at 7:00 p.m. at Tri-Rivers Career Center in Room 104 for the organizational meeting, budget hearing, and the regular January meeting.

The organizational meeting was called to order by President Pro Tem, Jim McFarland.

Stephen J. Earnest, Treasurer, administered the oath of office to the following board members:

Mr. Bob Haas River Valley 1 year\*

Mr. Mickey Landon NCOESC 2 years

Mr. Carl Layne Elgin 2 years

Mr. Dennis Leader MOESC 2 years

Mr. Gary Sims Pleasant 2 years

\*fulfilling unexpired term of Ken Stiverson

Members Present: Mr. Bryan Bumgarner, Mr. Jim Clinger, Mr. Bob Haas, Mr. Mick Landon, Mr. Carl Layne, Mr. Dennis Leader, Mr. Jim McFarland, Mr. Keith Rogers, Mr. Gary Sims, Mr. John Thompson, Mr. Rocky White.

Members Absent: Mr. C. Gary Iams and Mr. Gene Wiley.

Also Attending: Mr. Charles A. Speelman, Mr. Stephen Earnest, Mrs. Jodi Gaietto, Mr. Richard George, Mr. Larry Hickman, Mrs. Ellen Messenger, Mr. Mike Wellin, Mr. Randy Winland, Mrs. Debbie Curtis, Mr. Chuck Stone, Ms. Kathy Duis, Mrs. Terri Mantey, and Mr. Lester Poast.

President Pro Tem, Jim McFarland called for nominations for President.

Mr. Gary Sims placed the name of Mickey Landon in nomination.

Mr. Jim Clinger moved the nominations be closed.

Mr. Bryan Bumgarner seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Clinger yes, Bumgarner yes, Haas yes, Landon yes, Layne yes, Leader yes, McFarland yes, Rogers yes, Sims yes, Thompson yes, White yes.

Motion declared passed.

Roll Call Bumgarner yes, Clinger yes, Haas yes, Landon yes, Layne yes, Leader yes, McFarland

on Nominee: yes, Rogers yes, Sims yes, Thompson yes, White yes.

Mr. Mickey Landon was elected President of the Tri-Rivers Board of Education.

President Pro Tem, Jim McFarland called for nominations for Vice President.

Mr. Gary Sims placed the name of Jim McFarland in nomination.

Mr. John Thompson moved the nominations be closed.

Mr. Robert Haas seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Thompson yes, Haas yes, Bumgarner yes, Clinger yes, Landon yes, Layne yes, Leader yes, McFarland yes, Rogers yes, Sims yes, White yes.

Motion declared passed.

Roll Call Bumgarner yes, Clinger yes, Haas yes, Landon yes, Layne yes, Leader yes, McFarland

on Nominee: yes, Rogers yes, Sims yes, Thompson yes, White yes.

Mr. Jim McFarland was elected Vice President of the Tri-Rivers Board of Education.

Mr. Keith Rogers moved to approve the following items:

**7. Organizational Meeting Recommendations**

**A. Board Compensation**

To approve board compensation at $125 per meeting for all meetings during 2011 and will include mileage for all meetings at the approved IRS rate effective on the date of travel. Mileage will be reimbursed semi-annually through payroll.

**B. Regular Meeting Time and Date**

To approve the regular meetings of the Tri-Rivers Joint Vocational School District Board of Education be held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, with the exception of the June, 2011 meeting. The June, 2011 meeting will be held on June 29, 2011 (the last Wednesday in June). The meetings shall be held at 7:00 p.m. in Room 104 at the Tri-Rivers Career Center, 2222 Marion-Mt. Gilead Road, Marion, Ohio. The date and time of a regular meeting of any given month may be changed provided such change is made by resolution during some preceding regular meeting, or by the President should an emergency situation develop. The Treasurer shall notify all Board members of such changes and appropriate steps taken to notify the public. The regular meeting for January, 2011, shall be held following the organizational meeting on January 12, 2011.

Mr. Mick Landon seconded the motion.

Discussion

Roll Call: Rogers yes, Landon yes, Bumgarner yes, Clinger yes, Haas yes, Layne yes, Leader yes, McFarland yes, Sims yes, Thompson yes, White yes.

Motion declared passed.

**8. Committee Appointments**

The following appointments should be made at this time.

Legislative Liaison Mr. Bob Haas

Student Achievement Liaison Mr. Jim Clinger

**9. Adjourn**

Mr. Bryan Bumgarner moved to adjourn the Organizational Meeting.

Mr. Gary Sims seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Bumgarner yes, Sims yes, Clinger yes, Haas yes, Landon yes, Layne yes, Leader yes, McFarland yes, Rogers yes, Thompson yes, White yes.

Motion declared passed.

***BUDGET HEARING***

The budget hearing discussion for FY12 was held with the Board of Education and guests.

***REGULAR MEETING***

The regular January Board of Education meeting was called to order by President, Mickey Landon.

Members Present: Mr. Bryan Bumgarner, Mr. Jim Clinger, Mr. Bob Haas, Mr. Mick Landon, Mr. Carl Layne, Mr. Dennis Leader, Mr. Jim McFarland, Mr. Keith Rogers, Mr. Gary Sims, Mr. John Thompson, Mr. Rocky White.

Members Absent: Mr. C. Gary Iams and Mr. Gene Wiley.

Also Attending: Mr. Charles A. Speelman, Mr. Stephen Earnest, Mrs. Jodi Gaietto, Mr. Richard George, Mr. Larry Hickman, Mrs. Ellen Messenger, Mr. Mike Wellin, Mr. Randy Winland, Mrs. Debbie Curtis, and representing TREA, Mr. Chuck Stone. Ms. Kathy Duis, Mrs. Terri Mantey, and Mr. Lester Poast were also in attendance and gave a presentation on the Learning Center and the new program being developed for special needs for the 2011-2012 school year.

# Item 5 and Items 6A through 6J listed below under the Consent Agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and will be enacted by the Board in one motion in the form listed below.

Mr. Jim McFarland moved to approve Item 5 and Items 6A – 6J listed below under the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Rocky White seconded the motion.

Discussion

Roll Call: McFarland yes, White yes, Bumgarner yes, Clinger yes, Haas yes, Layne yes, Leader yes, Rogers yes, Sims yes, Thompson yes, Landon yes.

Motion declared passed.

**5. Minutes**

To approve the minutes of the December 15, 2010, regular meeting.

**6. Treasurer's Business and Reports**

**A. Financial Report – Attachment 6A**

To approve the financial statement for December, 2010, as submitted.

**B. Paid Bills – Attachment 6B**

To approve the list of paid bills for December, 2010, as presented by the Treasurer.

**C. Service Fund**

To approve the 2011 Board of Education Service Fund be set at $7,500. (2010 level was $7,500)

**D. Purchasing Agent Approval**

To approve Superintendent Charles A. Speelman as the purchasing agent for Tri-Rivers Joint Vocational School District effective January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

**E. Authority to Hire Employees Pending Board Confirmation and to**

**Accept Resignations:**

To authorize Superintendent Charles A. Speelman to hire employees for existing or newly created positions pending board confirmation at its next regular or special meeting called for this purpose and to accept resignations of current employees on behalf of this board effective January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

**F. Treasurer Transactions Approval**

So that advances can be secured quickly by the Treasurer to cover current expenses or to invest, it is recommended that the Treasurer be granted the authority outlined in the motion below:

**Section 1**. Be it Resolved by the Board of Education of the Tri-Rivers Joint Vocational School District, State of Ohio:

That the Auditors of Marion, Morrow and Union Counties be and they are hereby requested to issue an order to the Treasurer of their respective Counties to pay the Treasurer of this Board of Education such funds as may be available for distribution by their respective County Treasurer.

**Section 2.** That the President and/or Vice President be and he is hereby authorized to sign and the Treasurer to countersign the necessary documents to secure such advances and also the secondary documents to secure the semi-annual settlement with the above county Treasurers during the calendar year 2011.

**Section 3.** That the authorization herein conferred shall extend to any advances that may be requested during the calendar year 2011.

**Section 4.** That the Treasurer of the Board be and he is hereby authorized and directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the County Auditors of the above said Counties, and make such other certifications and reports to these County Auditors as may be necessary to make this resolution effective.

**G. Investment Procedure**

For the authorization of investing interim funds.

To approve the Treasurer of the Tri-Rivers Joint Vocational School Board be granted the authority and responsibility to determine the funds, to determine the length of time to invest such funds, to secure bids from eligible financial institutions, and to invest the interim funds in certificates of deposit in the eligible financial institution or institutions submitting the highest rate of interest for each proposed investment in treasury bills or notes in compliance with applicable statutes.

**H. Tax Budget Approval - Attachment 6H**

The projected tax budget for FY2012 is based on the five year forecast presented in October 2010.

To approve the Tri-Rivers Joint Vocational School District Tax Budget for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 as proposed by Treasurer, Stephen J. Earnest, and Superintendent, Charles A. Speelman.

**I. Payment of Bills**

To approve the Treasurer paying bills due as long as the amount of payment is within the established appropriations. A complete history of bills paid will be provided for board approval each month during regular Board of Education meetings.

**J. Posting of Interest**

To authorize the Treasurer, Stephen J. Earnest, to allocate interest earnings on bank accounts and investments to the following funds:

001 Fund – General

006 Fund – Cafeteria

007 Fund – “All”

008 Fund – “All”

**K. Resolution Determining to Proceed with Permanent Improvement Levy**

Mr. Jim Clinger introduced the following resolution and moved its passage:

**RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENT TO PROCEED**

**WITH ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF AN ADDITIONAL TAX**

**IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION**

**(R.C. 3311.21)**

**Permanent Improvement Levy**

**WHEREAS**, on December 15, 2010, the Board passed a resolution declaring the necessity, for the purpose of purchasing a site or enlargement thereof and for the erection and equipment of buildings and for the purpose of enlarging, improving, or rebuilding thereof for the School District, to levy an additional tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation in the amount of 1.30 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to $0.13 for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for 10 years.

**WHEREAS**, the Marion County Auditor has certified to the Board that the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by such additional tax levy during the first year of collection is $2,176,477, based on the current assessed valuation of the School District of $1,674,213,090;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Education of the Tri-Rivers Joint Vocational School District, Marion, Crawford, Delaware, Hardin, Morrow, Union and Wyandot Counties, Ohio, two‑thirds of all of the members elected thereto concurring, that:

**Section 1.** The Board desires to proceed with the submission of the question of the additional tax levy to the electors of the School District.

**Section 2.** The question of such additional tax levy shall be submitted to the electors of the School District at the election to be held therein on May 3, 2011 (the "Election Date").

**Section 3.** The form of the ballot to be used at said election shall be substantially as follows:

An additional tax for the benefit of Tri-Rivers Joint Vocational School District, Marion, Crawford, Delaware, Hardin, Morrow, Union and Wyandot Counties, Ohio for the purpose of purchasing a site or enlargement thereof and for the erection and equipment of buildings and for the purpose of enlarging, improving, or rebuilding thereof at a rate not exceeding one and three-tenths (1.30) mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to thirteen cents ($0.13) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for ten (10) years, commencing in 2011, first due in calendar year 2012.

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|  | AGAINST THE TAX LEVY |

**Section 4.** The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed and shall certify, not later than February 2, 2011 (which date is not less than 90 days prior to the Election Date), to the Marion County Board of Elections a copy of the resolution of December 15, 2010 and a copy of this resolution together with the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the additional tax levy during the first year of collection, based on the current assessed valuation of the School District, as estimated by the Marion County Auditor.

**Section 5.** The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed and shall simultaneously certify to the Marion County Board of Elections, that the additional tax levy will be for purpose of purchasing a site or enlargement thereof and for the erection and equipment of buildings and for the purpose of enlarging, improving, or rebuilding thereof for 10 years, and that such tax levy will be placed upon the tax list and duplicate for the 2011 tax year (commencing in 2011, first due in calendar year 2012) if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon.

**Section 6.** It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Mr. Gary Sims seconded the motion.

Discussion

Roll Call: Clinger yes, Sims yes, Bumgarner yes, Haas yes, Layne yes, Leader yes, McFarland yes, Rogers yes, Thompson yes, Landon yes, White yes.

Motion declared passed.

**7. Superintendent's Report and Recommendations**

***Items 7A through 7J listed below under the Consent Agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and will be enacted by the Board in one motion in the form listed below.***

Mr. John Thompson moved to approve the following items as outlined in 7A – 7J:

Mr. Dennis Leader seconded the motion.

Discussion

Roll Call: Thompson yes, Leader yes, Bumgarner yes, Clinger yes, Haas yes, Layne yes, McFarland yes, Rogers yes, Sims yes, White yes, Landon yes.

Motion declared passed.

**A. Employment**

The Board is asked to approve the following individuals for the stated contracts as recommended by the Executive Director of Operations.

***ADULT EDUCATION***

* Julie Swihart, RN, Part Time Nursing Instructor, Class 3, Step 1 on the Part Time Healthcare Instructor Schedule, $24.05 per hour not to exceed 1300 hours.

**B. Resignations - Attachment 7B**

To accept a resignation from Nancy Tedjeske, Part Time Nursing Instructor, effective January 14, 2011.

**C. Donations – Attachment 7C**

* To approve a donation from Carroll’s Jewelers of engraving the plaque for Ken Stiverson, resigning board member. Value of donation - $59.50.
* To approve a donation from Mike and Julie Lawson of a 1999 Pontiac, to be used in our Auto Technology program. Value of donation - $2,500.

**D. Administrative Contract Notification**

According to state law, boards of education must notify all administrators up for contract renewal that their contract is up for possible renewal and they have the option to discuss their contract with the board.

To authorize and direct the Treasurer to notify the following administrators in writing that their contracts expire on the date indicated and they may request a meeting with the Board of Education to discuss the Board’s reasons for renewal or non-renewal of their contract.

* Jodi Gaietto, Director of Academics – 07/31/11
* Richard George, Director of Adult Education – 07/31/11
* Deb Rellinger, Director of Career Tech. – 06/30/11

**E. Resolution - Career-Technical & Adult Education Month**

To approve the following resolution in honor of Career Technical Education Month at Tri-Rivers Career Center during the entire month of February 2011. ACTE has expanded this from a weekly celebration to a monthly celebration to allow schools more flexibility in planning their activities, and also give career tech programs the ability to celebrate all month long as their schedule permits.

**WHEREAS:** February 1-28, 2011, has been designated Career and Technical Education Month by the Association for Career and Technical Education; and

**WHEREAS:** profound economic and technological changes in our society are rapidly reflected in the structure and nature of work, thereby placing new and additional responsibilities on our educational system; and

**WHEREAS:** career and technical education provides Americans with a school-to-careers connection and is the backbone of a strong, well-educated workforce, which fosters productivity in business and industry and contributes to America’s leadership in the international marketplace; and

**WHEREAS:** career and technical education gives high school students experience in practical, meaningful applications of basic skills such as reading, writing and mathematics, thus improving the quality of their education, motivating potential dropouts and giving all students leadership opportunities in their fields and in their communities; and

**WHEREAS:** career and technical education offers individuals lifelong opportunities to learn new skills, which provide them with career choices and potential satisfaction; and

**WHEREAS:** the ever-increasing cooperative efforts of career and technical educators, business and industry stimulate the growth and vitality of our local economy and that of the entire nation by preparing graduates for career fields forecast to experience the largest and fastest growth in the next decade;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tri-Rivers Joint Vocational School District Board of Education does hereby proclaim February 1-28, 2011, as

**Career and Technical Education Month**

in Marion County and urge all citizens to become familiar with the services and benefits Marion is offered by the career and technical education programs in this community and to support and participate in these programs to enhance their individual work skills and productivity.

**F. OSBA Legal Assistance Fund – Attachment 7F**

To approve the Legal Assistance Fund Consultant Service Contract with the Ohio School Boards Association for January 1, 2011 – December 31, 2011, at a cost of $250.00.

**G. Fairhaven Community Clinical Agreement – Attachment 7G**

To approve an agreement with Fairhaven Community to provide our patient care technician students with learning experience in clinical practice areas and community services.

**H. Establishment of Culinary Arts Scholarship – Attachment 7H**

To approve the establishment of a Culinary Arts Scholarship as outlined in the attachment.

1. **Reduction in Force – Attachment 7I**

To approve a reduction in force and a suspension of his contracts for financial reasons for Rick Obert, Welding/Transitions Instructor, effective at the end of the workday on January 7, 2011.

**J. Memorandum of Understanding – Attachment 7J**

To approve the attached Memorandum of Understanding between the Board and Tri-Rivers Education Association/OEA relating to the notification period on the reduction of force of Rick Obert.

**8. Executive Session**

Mr. Bob Haas moved to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel.

Mr. Jim Clinger seconded the motion.

Discussion

Roll Call: Haas yes, Clinger yes, Bumgarner yes, Layne yes, Leader yes, McFarland yes, Rogers yes, Sims yes, Thompson yes, White yes, Landon yes.

Motion declared passed.

The Board of Education entered into executive session at 8:10 p.m.

President Landon declared the meeting back in regular session at 8:31 p.m.

**9. Adjourn**

Mr. John Thompson moved to adjourn.

Mr. Dennis Leader seconded the motion.

Discussion

Roll Call: Thompson yes, Leader yes, Bumgarner yes, Clinger yes, Haas yes, Layne yes, McFarland yes, Rogers yes, Sims yes, White yes, Landon yes.

Motion declared passed.

Next meeting - February 16, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 104.

**Mickey Landon, President Stephen J. Earnest, Treasurer**