

# TRI-RIVERS JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

## ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING January 11, 2012 @ 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, Mickey Landon.

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

Mr. Jim Clinger .....	Cardington .....	2 years
Mr. Carson Wasserbeck .....	Elgin .....	1 year*
Mr. Rocky White .....	Marion City .....	2 years
Mr. Keith Rogers .....	Mount Gilead .....	2 years
Mr. Jim McFarland .....	NCOESC .....	2 years
Mr. Bryan Bumgarner .....	North Union .....	2 years
Mr. Bob Haas .....	River Valley .....	2 years

\*Filling unexpired term of Carl Layne.

Members Present: Mr. Bryan Bumgarner, Mr. Jim Clinger, Mr. Bob Haas, Mr. Mick Landon, Mr. Dennis Leader, Mr. Jim McFarland, Mr. Keith Rogers, Mr. Gary Sims, Mr. Carson Wasserbeck, Mr. Rocky White.

Members Absent: Mr. C. Gary Iams, Mr. John Thompson, and Mr. Gene Wiley.

Also Attending: Mr. Charles A. Speelman, Mr. Stephen Earnest, Mrs. Jodi Gaietto, Mr. Richard George, Mr. Larry Hickman, Mr. Bill Karcher, and Mrs. Ellen Messenger. Mrs. Rebecca Salyer was also present with 6 students (Lane Eblin, Zac Cannon, Melissa Lindsay, Victoria Baldwin, Cassandra Blanton, and Sierra Smith to present on TRFL (Tri-Rivers Future Leaders).

President Pro Tem, Mickey Landon called for nominations for President.

Mr. Jim Clinger placed the name of Mickey Landon in nomination.

Mr. Bob Haas moved the nominations be closed.

Mr. Gary Sims seconded the motion.

Roll Call Haas yes, Sims yes, Bumgarner yes, Clinger yes, Leader yes, McFarland yes, Rogers

To Close yes, Wasserbeck yes, White yes, Landon abstain.

Nominations:

Motion declared passed.

Roll Call            Bumgarner yes, Clinger yes, Haas yes, Leader yes, McFarland yes, Rogers yes, Sims  
on Nominee:        yes, Wasserbeck yes, White yes, Landon, abstain.

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

President Pro Tem, Mickey Landon called for nominations for Vice President.

Mr. Gary Sims placed the name of Jim McFarland in nomination.  
Mr. Bob Haas moved the nominations be closed.  
Mr. Rocky White seconded the motion.

Roll Call            Haas yes, White yes, Bumgarner yes, Clinger yes, Leader yes, McFarland abstain,  
to Close            Rogers yes, Sims yes, Wasserbeck yes, Landon yes.  
Nominations:

Motion declared passed.

Roll Call            Bumgarner yes, Clinger yes, Haas yes, Leader yes, McFarland abstain, Rogers yes,  
on Nominee:        Sims yes, Wasserbeck yes, White yes, Landon yes.

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

Mr. Jim Clinger 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 2012 and will include mileage for all meetings at the approved IRS rate effective on the date of travel. Mileage will be reimbursed at the December board meeting through payroll.

**B.        Regular Meeting Time and Date**

To approve that the regular meetings of the Tri-Rivers Joint Vocational School District Board of Education shall be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month. The meetings shall be held at 7:00 p.m. in Room 104 in 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 2012 shall be held following the organizational meeting on January 11, 2012.

**C.        Audit/Finance/Executive Committee**

To approve the following board members be appointed to the Audit/Finance/Executive Committee, beginning January, 2012 through December, 2012.

Audit/Finance

Executive

- 1. Jim McFarland
- 2. C. Gary Iams
- 3. John Thompson

- 1. Mickey Landon
- 2. Jim McFarland
- 3. Gene Wiley
- 4. Bob Haas

Mr. Bob Haas seconded the motion.

Discussion

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

Motion declared passed.

**8. Committee Appointments**

The following appointments should be made at this time.

Legislative Liaison  
Student Achievement Liaison

Mr. Bob Haas  
Mr. Gene Wiley

**9. Adjourn**

Mr. Jim McFarland moved to adjourn the Organizational Meeting.

Mr. Keith Rogers seconded the motion.

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

Motion declared passed.

***BUDGET HEARING***

The budget hearing discussion for FY13 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. Dennis Leader, Mr. Jim McFarland, Mr. Keith Rogers, Mr. Gary Sims, Mr. Carson Wasserbeck, and Mr. Rocky White.

Members Absent: Mr. C. Gary Iams, Mr. John Thompson, and Mr. Gene Wiley.

Also Attending: Mr. Charles A. Speelman, Mr. Stephen Earnest, Mrs. Jodi Gaietto, Mr. Richard George, Mr. Larry Hickman, Mr. Bill Karcher, and Mrs. Ellen Messenger. Mrs. Rebecca Salyer was also present with 6 students (Lane Eblin, Zac Cannon, Melissa Lindsay, Victoria Baldwin, Cassandra Blanton, and Sierra Smith) to present on TRFL (Tri-Rivers Future Leaders).

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

Discussion

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

Motion declared passed.

5. **Minutes**

To approve the minutes of the December 21, 2011, regular meeting.

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

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

To approve the financial statement for December, 2011, as submitted.

B. **Paid Bills – Attachment 6B**

To approve the list of paid bills for December, 2011, as presented by the Treasurer.

C. **Service Fund**

To approve the 2012 Board of Education Service Fund be set at \$7,500. (2011 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, 2012 through December 31, 2012.

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, 2012 through December 31, 2012.

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 2012.

**Section 3.** That the authorization herein conferred shall extend to any advances that may be requested during the calendar year 2012.

**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 FY2013 is based on the five year forecast presented in October 2011.

To approve the Tri-Rivers Joint Vocational School District Tax Budget for the period July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 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”

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

*Items 7A through 7H 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. Keith Rogers moved to approve the following items as outlined in 7A – 7H:

Mr. Jim Clinger seconded the motion.

Discussion

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

Motion declared passed.

**A. Employment – Contract Correction**

To approve a correction of the contract of John Kuzio. John Kuzio's contract was approved in July, 2011 and stated as follows:

- John Kuzio, T&I Instructor for two periods per day, \$80.4603 per day up to 170 days for a total of \$13,678.25. Class IV, Step 10 (\$54,713) 2/8<sup>ths</sup> contract.

His contract should have been approved at a daily rate of \$74.34 per day ( $54,713 \div \frac{1}{4} \text{ contract} = \$13,678.25 \div 184 = 74.34$ ), up to 170 days, for a total of \$12,637.80. Mr. Kuzio has been paid at this rate since the beginning of his contract. The \$54,713 figure is for a 184 day contract and the previous approval figured was based on a 170 day contract.

**B. Donations**

- To approve a donation from Carroll's Jewelers of engraving. Engraving was for the retiring board member clock and a years of service award. Total value - \$37.50.
- To approve a donation from Wal-Mart of a 12 foot pre-lit Christmas Tree. Value - \$120.00.

**C. 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.

- Larry Hickman, Executive Director of Operations, 07/31/12
- Bill Karcher, Director of Career Technical Education, 07/31/12

**D. 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, 2012. 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 1-29, 2012, 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 1-29, 2012, 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.

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

To approve the Legal Assistance Fund Consultant Service Contract with the Ohio School Boards Association for January 1, 2012 – December 31, 2012, at a cost of \$250.00.

**F. Agreement with Fox Run – Attachment 7F**

To approve a clinical and preceptorship site agreement between Tri-Rivers Career Center and Fox Run for our practical nursing students and LPN to RN students to obtain clinical practice experience. A copy of the complete agreement is attached for your review.

**G. Out of State Conference – Attachment 7G**

To approve Larry Hickman's attendance at the 2012 National Policy Seminar in Washington D.C. on March 5-7, 2012. Approximate costs are \$375 for registration fee, \$717 for hotel, \$225 for airfare, \$300 for meals, land transportation, and miscellaneous, for a total of \$1,617.

**H. Resolution for Village of Cardington Community Reinvestment Area**

To approve the following resolution for the Village of Cardington Community Reinvestment Act:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code (ORC) 5709.83, the Board of Education of the Tri-Rivers Joint Vocational School District (hereinafter "Board") has been notified of the intent of the Village of Cardington to approve the establishment of the Village of Cardington Community Reinvestment Area, to declare, pursuant to ORC 3735.65, the Village of Cardington may grant exemptions to real property taxes for the maintenance of existing and construction of new structures as further outlined in the Cardington Village proposed resolution.

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORC 5709.82, the Board of Education reserves to the right to negotiate with the Village an amount of compensation for lost revenue if the Village imposes a tax on the incomes and the payroll of new employees that equals or exceeds one million dollars resulting from the establishment of the Community Reinvestment Area. The amount negotiated shall be no less than fifty percent of the tax on said incomes.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board hereby RESOLVES to accept the terms and conditions outlined in the aforementioned proposed Cardington Village Community Reinvestment Area resolution, provided that the aforementioned resolution is not contrary to ORC and is not modified in any manner. Any modification of the aforementioned Village resolution will render this current resolution null and void.

**End of Consent Agenda**



Mr. Gary Sims moved to approve Item I, Memorandum of Understanding:

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

To approve a memorandum of understanding between Tri-Rivers Career Center and Tri-Rivers Education Association. A copy is attached for your review.

Mr. Bob Haas seconded the motion.

Discussion

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

Motion declared passed.

**8. Executive Session**

Mr. Jim Clinger moved to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing employment of personnel.

Mr. Jim McFarland seconded the motion.

Discussion

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

Motion declared passed.

The Board of Education entered into executive session at 8:12 p.m.

President Landon declared the meeting back in regular session at 8:45 p.m.

**9. Adjourn**

Mr. Dennis Leader moved to adjourn.

Mr. Bob Haas seconded the motion.

Discussion

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

Motion declared passed.

Next meeting - February 15, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 104.

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**Mickey Landon, President**

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**Stephen J. Earnest, Treasurer**