

TRI-RIVERS JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

January 9, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Room 104, TRCC

The Tri-Rivers Joint Vocational School District Board of Education met on the above date at 6:30 p.m. at Tri-Rivers Career Center in Room 104 for the organizational meeting, tax budget hearing, and the regular January meeting.

1. **Call to Order**

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

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Roll Call:**

Members Present: Mrs. Shelly Ehret, Mrs. Debbie Good, Dr. Bob Haas, Mr. Mickey Landon, Mr. Mike McCreary, Mr. Jim McFarland, Mr. Ted McKinniss, Mr. Michael Patterson, Mrs. Glenna Plotts, Mr. Keith Rogers and Mr. Gary Sims.

Members Absent: Mr. Eric Park and Mr. Gene Wiley.

Also Attending: Mr. Charles Speelman, Mr. Stephen Earnest, Mrs. Carol Bebout, Mrs. Debbie Curtis, Mrs. Sherrie Dunn, Mrs. Jodi Gaietto, Mr. Larry Hickman, Mrs. Ellen Messenger, and Mr. Mike Wellin. Also present and representing TREA was Lucas Bledsoe.

4. **Selection of President**

President Pro Tem Jim McFarland called for nominations for President.

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

Mrs. Shelly Ehret moved the nominations be closed.

Mr. Gary Sims seconded the motion.

Roll Call Mrs. Ehret yes, Mr. Sims yes, Mrs. Good yes, Dr. Haas yes, Mr. Landon yes, Mr.
On McCreary yes, Mr. McFarland abstain, Mr. McKinniss yes, Mr. Patterson yes, Mrs.
Nominee: Plotts yes, Mr. Rogers yes.

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

5. **Selection of Vice President**

President called for nominations for Vice President.

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

Mr. Mickey Landon moved the nominations be closed.

Mrs. Shelly Ehret seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Landon yes, Mrs. Ehret yes, Mrs. Good yes, Dr. Haas yes, Mr. Landon yes,
On Mr. McCreary yes, Mr. McFarland yes, Mr. McKinniss yes, Mr. Patterson yes,
Nominee: Mrs. Plotts yes, Mr Rogers yes, Mr. Sims abstain.

Mr. Gary Sims is elected Vice President of the Tri-Rivers Board of Education.

6. Organizational Meeting Recommendations

Mr. Keith Rogers moved to approve the following items:

A. Board Compensation

To approve board compensation at \$125 per meeting for all meetings during 2019 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 June and July 2019 meetings. The June and July meetings will be held on the 4th Wednesday of the month. All meetings shall be held at 6:30 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 2019 shall be held following the organizational meeting on January 9, 2019.

C. Audit/Finance/Executive Committee

To approve the following board members be appointed to the committees as outlined below, beginning January, 2019 through the 2020 Organizational Meeting.

Audit/Finance/Policy

1. Dr. Bob Haas
2. Mr. Mickey Landon
3. Mr. Jim McFarland
4. Mr. Eric Park
5. Mr. Gary Sims
6. Mr. Steve Earnest, Treasurer
7. Mr. Charles Speelman, Supt.
8. Mrs. Debbie Curtis for Policies

TDA Sponsor Oversight

1. Mrs. Debbie Good
2. Dr. Bob Haas
3. Mr. Ted McKinniss, Chair
4. Mr. Steve Earnest, Treasurer
5. Mr. Charles Speelman, Supt.

Strategic Planning

1. Mr. Mickey Landon
2. Mr. Mike McCreary
3. Mr. Michael Patterson
4. Mrs. Glenna Plotts
5. Mr. Keith Rogers
6. Mrs. Carol Bebout, Principal
7. Mr. Steve Earnest, Treasurer
8. Mr. Larry Hickman, CIO
9. Mr. Charles Speelman, Supt. – Chair

Superintendent Advisory

1. Mrs. Shelly Ehret
2. Mr. Mike McCreary
3. Mr. Jim McFarland
4. Mr. Eric Park
5. Mr. Gary Sims
6. Mrs. Carol Bebout, Principal
7. Mr. Steve Earnest, Treasurer
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Mr. Gary Sims seconded the motion.

Discussion

Roll Call: Mr. Rogers yes, Mr. Sims yes, Mrs. Ehret yes, Mrs. Good yes, Dr. Haas yes,
Mr. Landon yes, Mr. McCreary yes, Mr. McFarland yes, Mr. McKinniss yes,
Mr. Patterson yes, Mrs. Plotts yes.

Motion declared passed.

7. Committee Appointments

The following appointments should be made at this time.

Legislative Liaison Dr. Bob Haas

Student Achievement Liaison Mr. Mike McCreary

8. Adjourn

Mr. Mickey Landon moved to adjourn the Organizational Meeting.

Mr. Michael Patterson seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Landon yes, Mr. Patterson yes, Mrs. Ehret yes, Mrs. Good yes, Dr. Haas yes,
Mr. McCreary yes, Mr. McFarland yes, Mr. McKinniss yes, Mrs. Plotts yes, Mr.
Rogers yes, Mr. Sims yes.

Motion declared passed.

BUDGET HEARING

1. Introduction of guests and their comments regarding the budget.
2. Budget Hearing Discussion (Attachment)

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3. **Introduction of guests and their comments**

Jake Heino (North Union CNET student) and Addie Wilhelm (Cardington-Vet Science student) were present with the advisor Eliza Gentkowski representing National Technical Honor Society. They shared their experiences in NTHS and the community service projects NTHS sponsors.

4. **General discussion of agenda, addendum, and other items of concern**

Items 6 and 7A through 7I 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. There will be no discussion of these items prior to the time the Board votes on the motion unless members of the Board, staff, or the public request specific items to be discussed and removed from the Consent Agenda. The Superintendent and administrative staff recommend approval of all Consent Agenda items.

Mr. Mike McCreary moved to approve Items 6 and 7A through 7I listed below under the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Ted McKinniss seconded the motion.

Discussion

Roll Call: Mr. McCreary yes, Mr. McKinniss yes, Mrs. Ehret yes, Mrs. Good yes, Dr. Haas yes, Mr. Landon yes, Mr. McFarland yes, Mr. Patterson yes, Mrs. Plotts yes, Mr. Rogers yes, Mr. Sims yes.

Motion declared passed.

5. **Motion to Amend Agenda (if needed)**

No amendments to agenda.

6. **Minutes**

To approve the minutes of the December 19, 2018 regular meeting.

7. Treasurer's Business and Reports

A. Service Fund

To approve the 2019 Board of Education Service Fund be set at \$7,500. (2018 level was \$7,500).

B. Purchasing Agent Approval

To approve Superintendent Charles A. Speelman as the purchasing agent for Tri-Rivers Joint Vocational School District effective January 1, 2019 through the 2020 Organizational Meeting.

C. 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, 2019 through the 2020 Organizational Meeting.

D. 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 2019

Section 3. That the authorization herein conferred shall extend to any advances that may be requested during the calendar year 2019.

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.

E. Investment Procedure

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.

F. Tax Budget Approval - Attachment 7F

The projected tax budget for FY2019 is based on the five year forecast presented in October 2018.

To approve the Tri-Rivers Joint Vocational School District Tax Budget for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 as proposed by Treasurer, Stephen J. Earnest, and Superintendent, Charles A. Speelman.

G. 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.

H. 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”

I. Blanket and Super Blanket Purchase Orders

To approve the use of Blanket and Super Blanket purchase orders for amounts not to exceed \$300,000.00 per order for all non-grant funds and amounts not to exceed the Grant Award per order for all grant funds for fiscal year 2019. *The Treasurer may issue "super blanket" purchase orders (certificates) for any amount for expenditures and contracts from a specific line-item appropriation account in a specified fund for most professional services, fuel, oil, food items, and any other specific recurring and reasonably predictable operating expense. Such a purchase order (certificate) shall not extend beyond the fiscal year.*

8. Superintendent's Report and Recommendations

Items 8A through 8I 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. There will be no discussion of these items prior to the time the Board votes on the motion unless members of the Board, staff, or the public request specific items to be discussed and removed from the Consent Agenda. The Superintendent and administrative staff recommend approval of all Consent Agenda items.

Mr. Mickey Landon moved to approve the following items as outlined in 8A through 8I.

Dr. Bob Haas seconded the motion.

Discussion

Roll Call: Mr. Landon yes, Dr. Haas yes, Mrs. Ehret yes, Mrs. Good yes, Mr. McCreary yes, Mr. McFarland yes, Mr. McKinniss yes, Mr. Patterson yes, Mrs. Plotts yes, Mr. Rogers yes, Mr. Sims yes.

Motion declared passed.

A. 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.

- Carol Bebout, Principal, 06/30/19 (Retire/Rehire)
- Larry Hickman, Chief Instructional Officer, 06/30/19 (Retire/Rehire)
- Jodi Gaietto, Assistant Principal, 07/31/19
- Mike Wellin, Director of Technology, 07/31/19

B. Resignations – Attachments 8B

- To approve a resignation from Ritch Ramey, Engineering Technologies Instructor, effective June 1, 2019, for purposes of retirement. A copy of his letter is attached for your review.
- To approve a resignation from Wesley Stillions, Ramtec Lab Assistant, effective January 18, 2019, for purposes of military enlistment. A copy of his letter is attached for your review.

C. Donation – Attachment 8C

To approve a donation from Sheryl L. Holt, of a 1999 BMW 328 4 Door, Serial # WBAAM5331XFR01412, to be used by our Auto Tech. program. Value of \$3,500.

D. Membership in Ohio Education Policy Institute – Attachment 8D

To approve membership in the Ohio Education Policy Institute. A copy of the invoice is attached for your review.

E. Updated LPDC Handbook – Attachment 8E

To approve the updated LPDC Handbook for the 2018-19 school year. A copy is attached for your review (changes are highlighted in yellow).

F. Overnight Conference – Attachment 8F

To approve Mark Edington's attendance to the Robot YC10 Yaskawa Training on January 21-24, 2019 in Miamisburg, Ohio. A copy of his conference request form is attached for your review.

G. Request to Waive Fees for Facility Use

To approve waiving the facility rental fees for use of the Auditorium for the following events:

- OSBA to use the Auditorium on August 28, 2019 for a Central Region Legislative Update.
- NCOESC to use the Auditorium to host a PAX-GBG training event for 30-40 teachers sometime this March.

H. Authority to Approve Out of State and Overnight Field Trips and/or Meetings/Conferences Pending Board Confirmation

To authorize Superintendent Charles A. Speelman to approve overnight and out-of-state field trips and overnight and out-of-state meetings or conferences pending board confirmation at its next regular or special meeting on behalf of this board effective January 1, 2019 through the 2020 Organizational Meeting.

I. 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, 2019. 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, 2019, 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, 2019, 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.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Discussion

- School Board Recognition Month – Mr. Speelman recognized the school board members for their service and presented each with a certificate of appreciation.

9. Executive Session – (if needed)

Mr. Ted McKinniss moved to enter into executive session for the purpose of:

- 1. In accordance with ORC 121.22G1** – The appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual.
- 2. In accordance with ORC 121.22G2** – The purchase of property for public purposes, or for the sale of property at competitive bidding.
- 3. In accordance with ORC 121.22G3** - Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action;
- 4. In accordance with ORC 121.22G4** – Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation.
- 5. In accordance with ORC 121.22G5** – Matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes.
- 6. In accordance with ORC 121.22G6** – Details relative to the security arrangements and emergency response protocols for a public body or a public office.

Mr. Mickey Landon seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. McKinniss yes, Mr. Landon yes, Mrs. Ehret yes, Mrs. Good yes, Dr. Haas yes, Mr. McCreary yes, Mr. McFarland yes, Mr. Patterson yes, Mrs. Plotts yes, Mr. Rogers yes, Mr. Sims yes.

Motion declared passed.

The Board entered into executive session at 7:10 pm.

President McFarland declared the meeting back in regular session at 8:07 pm.

10. Adjourn

Mr. Gary Sims moved to adjourn.

Mr. Mike McCreary seconded the motion.

Discussion

Roll Call: Mr. Sims yes, Mr. McCreary yes, Mrs. Ehret yes, Mrs. Good yes, Dr. Haas yes, Mr. Landon yes, Mr. McFarland yes, Mr. McKinniss yes, Mr. Patterson yes, Mrs. Plotts yes, Mr. Rogers yes.

Motion declared passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Next meeting will be February 20, 2019 at 6:30 pm.

Jim McFarland, President

Stephen J. Earnest, Treasurer