

TRI-RIVERS JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING January 12, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. Multi-Purpose Room

The Tri-Rivers Joint Vocational School District Board of Education met on the above date at 6:30 p.m. 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, Glenna Plotts.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call:

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

Members Absent: Dr. Bob Haas.

Also Attending: Dr. Charles Speelman, Mrs. Tammi Cowell, Mrs. Sherrie Dunn, Mr. Richard George, Mrs. Kristina Lucas, Mrs. Ellen Messenger, Mrs. Alysse Ross, Mr. Chris Solis, Mr. Mike Wellin and Ms. Marcie Whited. Also present were Mr. Lucas Bledsoe, representing TREA and Mrs. Heather Jenkins, Teacher.

4. Oath of Office

No new board member appointees

5. Selection of President

President Pro Tem Glenna Plotts called for nominations for President.

Mr. Mickey Landon placed the name of Mrs. Glenna Plotts in nomination.

Mr. Gary Sims moved the nominations be closed.

Mr. Ted McKinniss seconded the motion.

Discussion

Roll Call: Mr. Sims yes, Mr. McKinniss yes, Mrs. Ehret yes, Mrs. Good yes, Mr. Landon yes, Mr. McCreary yes, Mr. McFarland yes, Mr. Park yes, Mr. Patterson yes, Mrs. Pinney yes, Mrs. Plotts yes, and Mr. Rogers yes.

Motion declared passed.

Mr. Jim McFarland moved to elect Glenna Plotts President of the Tri-Rivers Board of Education.

Mr. Gary Sims seconded the motion.

Discussion

Roll Call: Mr. McFarland yes, Mr. Sims yes, Mrs. Ehret yes, Mrs. Good yes, Mr. Landon yes, Mr. McCreary yes, Mr. McKinniss yes, Mr. Park yes, Mr. Patterson yes, Mrs. Pinney yes, Mrs. Plotts yes, and Mr. Rogers yes.

Motion declared passed.

Mrs. Glenna Plotts is elected President of the Tri-Rivers Board of Education.

6. Selection of Vice President

President Glenna Plotts called for nominations for Vice President.

Mr. Gary Sims placed the name of Mr. Eric Park in nomination.

Mr. Gary Sims moved the nominations be closed.

Mrs. Shelly Ehret seconded the motion.

Discussion

Roll Call: Mr. Sims yes, Mrs. Ehret yes, Mrs. Good yes, Mr. Landon yes, Mr. McCreary yes, Mr. McFarland yes, Mr. McKinniss yes, Mr. Park abstain, Mr. Patterson yes, Mrs. Pinney yes, Mr. Rogers yes, and Mrs. Plotts yes.

Motion declared passed.

Mr. Gary Sims moved to elect Mr. Eric Park Vice President of the Tri-Rivers Board of Education.

Mr. Ted McKinnis seconded the motion.

Discussion

Roll Call: Mr. Sims yes, Mr. McKinniss yes, Mrs. Ehret yes, Mrs. Good yes, Mr. Landon yes, Mr. McCreary yes, Mr. McFarland yes, Mr. Park yes, Mr. Patterson yes, Mrs. Pinney yes, Mr. Rogers yes, and Mrs. Plotts:

Motion declared passed.

Mr. Eric Park is elected Vice President of the Tri-Rivers Board of Education.

Mrs. Tammi Cowell administered the Oath of Office to the President and Vice President of the Tri-Rivers Board of Education.

7. Organizational Meeting Recommendations

Mrs. Pam Pinney moved to approve the following items:

A. Board Compensation

To approve board compensation at \$125 per meeting for all meetings during 2022 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. All meetings shall be held at 6:30 p.m. at Tri-Rivers Career Center, 2222 Marion-Mt. Gilead Road, Marion, Ohio. The exception would be the June 2022 meeting, which will be held on Wednesday, June 22, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at Tri-Rivers Career Center. 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 2022 shall be held following the organizational meeting on January 12, 2022

C. Audit/Finance/Executive Committee

To approve the following board members be appointed to the committees as outlined below, beginning January, 2022 through the 2023 Organizational Meeting.

Audit/Finance/Policy

1. Bob Haas
2. Mick Landon
3. Jim McFarland
4. Ted McKinniss
5. Eric Park
6. Gary Sims
7. Tammi Cowell, Treas. - Chair
8. Charles Speelman, Supt.

TDA Sponsor Oversight

1. Debbie Good
2. Bob Haas
3. Ted McKinniss, Chair
4. Tammi Cowell, Treasurer
5. Charles Speelman, Supt.

Strategic Planning/Facilities Planning

1. Mick Landon
2. Mike McCreary
3. Michael Patterson
4. Pam Pinney
5. Glenna Plotts
6. Keith Rogers
7. Chris Solis, Principal
8. Tammi Cowell, Treasurer
9. Kristina Lucas, Exec. Director
10. Charles Speelman, Supt. - Chair

Superintendent Advisory

1. Shelly Ehret
2. Mike McCreary
3. Jim McFarland
4. Eric Park
5. Glenna Plotts
6. Gary Sims
7. Chris Solis, Principal
8. Tammi Cowell, Treasurer
9. Kristina Lucas, Exec. Director
10. Charles Speelman, Chair

Mr. Mike McCreary seconded the motion.

Discussion

Roll Call: Mrs. Pinney yes, Mr. McCreary yes, Mrs. Ehret yes, Mrs. Good yes, Mr. Landon yes, Mr. McFarland yes, Mr. McKinniss yes, Mr. Park yes, Mr. Patterson yes, Mr. Rogers yes, Mr. Sims yes, and Mrs. Plotts yes.

Motion declared passed.

8. Committee Appointments

The following appointments were made at this time.

Legislative Liaison Dr. Bob Haas

Student Achievement Liaison Mr. Mike McCreary

9. Adjourn

Mr. Gary Sims moved to adjourn the Organizational Meeting.

Mr. Mick Landon seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Sims yes, Mr. Landon yes, Mrs. Ehret yes, Mrs. Good yes, Mr. McCreary yes, Mr. McKinniss yes, Mr. McFarland yes, Mr. Park yes, Mrs. Pinney yes, Mr. Patterson yes, Mr. Rogers yes, and Mrs. Plotts yes.

Motion declared passed.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

BUDGET HEARING

There were no guests or comments regarding the Budget Hearing. Tammi Cowell, Treasurer/CFO, explained the requirements of the tax budget and updated the Board of Education and audience on the Tri-Rivers Career Center budget for FY23 to be filed with the Marion County Auditor.

The Budget Hearing Adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

TRI-RIVERS JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING

January 12, 2022

Multi-Purpose Room

1. **Call to Order at 6:50 p.m.**

2. **Roll Call:**

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

Members Absent: Dr. Bob Haas.

Also Attending: Also Attending: Dr. Charles Speelman, Mrs. Tammi Cowell, Mrs. Sherrie Dunn, Mr. Richard George, Mrs. Kristina Lucas, Mrs. Ellen Messenger, Mrs. Alysse Ross, Mr. Chris Solis, Mr. Mike Wellin and Ms. Marcie Whited. Also present were Mr. Lucas Bledsoe, representing TREA and Mrs. Heather Jenkins, Teacher.

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

4. **Motion to Amend Agenda – None**

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

Items 6 and 7A through 7L 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 Treasurer and administrative staff recommend approval of all Consent Agenda items.

Mr. Keith Rogers moved to approve Items 6 and 7A through 7L listed below under the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Ted McKinniss seconded the motion.

Discussion

Roll Call: Mr. Rogers yes, Mr. McKinniss yes, Mrs. Ehret yes, Mrs. Good yes, Mr. Landon yes, Mr. McCreary yes, Mr. McFarland yes, Mr. Park yes, Mr. Patterson yes, Mrs. Pinney yes, Mr. Sims yes, and Mrs. Plotts yes.

Motion declared passed.

6. **Minutes**

To approve the minutes of the December 15, 2021 regular meeting.

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

A. **Service Fund**

To approve the 2022 Board of Education Service Fund be set at \$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, 2022 through the 2023 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, 2022 through the 2023 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 2022.

Section 3. That the authorization herein conferred shall extend to any advances that may be requested during the calendar year 2022.

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

The projected tax budget for FY23 is based on the five year forecast presented in November 2021.

To approve the Tri-Rivers Joint Vocational School District Tax Budget for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 as proposed by Treasurer/CFO, Tammi L. Cowell, 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/CFO, Tammi L. Cowell, 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 2023. *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.*

J. Financial Report – Attachment 7J

To approve the financial statement for December 2021 as submitted.

K. Paid Bills – Attachment 7K

To approve the list of paid bills for December 2021 as presented by the Treasurer.

L. Invoices to be Paid – Attachment 7L

To retroactively approve the following invoices to be paid. A copy is attached for your review.

- Dell Financial Services in the amount of \$4,265.73
- Cogburn Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$16,998.77

8. Executive Director of Operations Report – Kristina Lucas

Mrs. Lucas discussed the Strategic Plan and Goals. Mr. Mike Wellin, Technology Director, presented information regarding technology in the classroom, which will be shared with the staff on the February 11, 2022 professional development day. Heather Jenkins, Social Studies Teacher and Technology Liaison, shared additional information with regard to the types of technology that all staff and students have available to them and the success they have achieved.

9. Superintendent's Report and Recommendations

Items 9A through 9E 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. Ted McKinnis left the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Mr. Mickey Landon moved to approve the following items as outlined in 9A through 9E.

Mr. Mike McCreary seconded the motion.

Discussion

Roll Call: Mr. Landon yes, Mr. McCreary yes, Mrs. Ehret yes, Mrs. Good yes, Mr. McFarland yes, Mr. Park yes, Mr. Patterson yes, Mrs. Pinney yes, Mr. Rogers yes, Mr. Sims yes and Mrs. Plotts yes.

Motion declared passed.

A. Additional Pay

To approve paying Sheila Hamm two hours in addition to her regular pay, in the amount of \$25.00 per hour, for coverage in the cafeteria on December 17, 2021.

B. 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, 2022 through the 2023 Organizational Meeting.

C. Ohio School Board's Association Legal Assistance Fund – Attachment 9C

To approve membership in the OSBA Legal Assistance Fund Consultant Service at a cost of \$250. A copy of the invoice is attached for your review.

D. Disposal of Obsolete Items – Attachment 9D

To approve the disposal of inventory items deemed obsolete. A copy is attached for your review.

E. Strategic Plan – Attachment 9E

To approve the Strategic Plan as presented. A copy is attached for your review.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

F. Resolution for Kitchen Renovation Project – 9F

Mrs. Pam Pinney moved to approve the Resolution for Kitchen Renovation Project. A copy is attached for your review.

Mr. Keith Rogers seconded the motion.

Discussion

Roll Call: Mrs. Pinney yes, Mr. Rogers yes, Mrs. Ehret yes, Mrs. Good yes, Mr. Landon yes, Mr. McCreary yes, Mr. McFarland yes, Mr. Park yes, Mr. Patterson yes, Mr. Sims yes, and Mrs. Plotts yes.

10. Executive Session – (not needed)

11. Adjourn

Mr. Jim McFarland moved to adjourn.
Mr. Shelly Ehret seconded the motion.
Discussion

Roll Call: Mr. Jim McFarland yes, Mrs. Ehret yes, Mrs. Good yes, Mr. Landon yes, Mr. McCreary yes, Mr. McFarland yes, Mr. Park yes, Mr. Patterson yes, Mrs. Pinney yes, Mr. Rogers yes, and Mrs. Plotts yes.

Motion declared passed.
Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Next meeting will be February 16, 2022 at 6:30 pm.

Glenna Plotts, President

Tammi L. Cowell, Treasurer/CFO