

Tri-County School District ISD #2358

Board of Education Meeting

April 19, 2023, 6:30 PM

Tri-County School Library

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Murray at 6:30 PM. A quorum was determined. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members present were Burkel, Hanson, Koland, Murray, Oliver, Olson and Sollund, as well as Interim Superintendent Guggisberg.

Recommendation to add items to the Agenda by Board Members or School Administration

Motion by Burkel and seconded by Oliver to approve the agenda of the April 19, 2023 Regular Board meeting as presented.

WE ARE PROUD...

- I am proud of TC FCCLA for their performance at the State Conference this year. This is the first time that all competing groups earned a gold rating on their STAR Events. Senior Isabel Pearson competed in the Hospitality, Recreation and Tourism event. Sophomores Katie Clark, Ada Pearson, and Brynlee Reese competed together in the Interior Design event. Sophomore Josephine Wade competed in Job Interview. Sophomore Rachel Levenhagen and Freshman Gracie Boen competed in Focus on Children. 7th graders Hailey Bothum, Harleigh Chapin and Greta Rominski also competed together in the Focus on Children event. Isabel, Katie, Ada, Brynlee, Josie, Hailey, Harleigh and Greta all advanced to the National Conference to be held in Denver this year! Rachel and Gracie earned the place of alternates to advance to Nationals. I am super proud of the hard work these students put into their events. They represented Tri County so well!! *Justina Pietruszewski - FCCLA Advisor*
- I am very proud of my junior and senior art students for their performance at the MSHSL Visual Art Contest. 6 students participated, earning 4 excellent ratings and 2 superiors. Senior, Jadith Andrade, earned a superior in 2D Mixed Media with her watercolor and pastel drawing. Junior, Lilly Duray, earned a superior in the category of Sculpture with a relief sculpture created from a book. Earning Excellents in the category of Sculpture were Juniors Mikaela Jarrett, Ella Kasprowicz and Emily Barth. Also earning Excellent in the category of Crafts with her quilt was Senior, Bryleigh Nelson. Congratulations to each of the participants! *Justina Pietruszewski - Art Teacher*
- Elementary classes collected \$4,848.89 in donations for the American Heart Association.
- Boys Basketball All conference selections:
 - North Star Conference: Ryder Blazejewski All Conference and Everett Nelson Honorable Mention.
 - North Border Conference: Ryder Blazejewski, Jaxon Klegstad, and Everett Nelson All Conference.
 - Caleb Bray and Gavin Hockstedler Honorable Mention. Ryder Blazejewski was also selected as co-senior of the year in the conference.
- Freeze boys were champions in both the North Star and North Border conferences this season.
- I am proud of both our Girls and Boys Basketball teams. They both achieved a rating of "Silver" for team Grade Point Average (GPA).

Motion by Oliver and seconded by Koland to approve the minutes of the SPECIAL March 24, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

Motion by Hanson and seconded by Burkel to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

The April pay claims.:

**Tri-County Public Schools
Detail Payment Register By Vendor
Fund Summary**

Fund Description	Total
01 General	\$53,880.04
02 Food Service	\$13,718.60
04 Community Services	\$1,361.13
07 Debt Redemption	\$57,500.00
21 Student Activities	\$7,711.46
Report Total	\$134,171.23

Motion by Hanson and seconded by Murray to approve the April Pay Claims in the amount of \$134,171.23

Review and discussion of previously presented [Feb. & March 2023 Board meetings] 2023-2024 School Calendar option(s).

Motion by Burkel and seconded by Hanson to approve Calendar option #3, with Amendments, for the 2023-2024 school year. If necessary, the school calendar may be amended at a later time.

The District is seeking Board Approval of an additional three (3) month extension of the Probationary period for its Tech Coordinator. An extension is permitted by mutual agreement between the Board and the MN School Employee Association. The Union has "signed off" on the extension.

Motion by Board member Hanson and seconded by Oliver to approve an extension of the probationary period of the District's Tech Coordinator to as far as June 30, 2023.

Renewing Health & Hospitalization insurance for eligible employees. Employee Agreements require the District to provide group Health & Hospitalization insurance to eligible employees. The current group H & H insurance carrier (Public Employee Insurance Program (PEIP) bid. The rate increase will be 2.0% as indicated by PEIP. This is below the general group H & H insurance industry rate increase of 10%.

Motion by Board member Sollund and seconded by Koland to approve/renew the Public Employee Insurance Program (PEIP) as the vendor for group health and hospitalization insurance for eligible employees.

School Board Training facilitated by MN School Boards Association (MSBA)

The Greenbush Middle River School Board along with the Tri-County School Board will be sharing a School Superintendent effective July 1, 2023. The two Boards formalized this sharing arrangement with the creation of a Joint Powers Board.

Additionally, both the Greenbush Middle River School District along with the Tri-County School District are seeking a K-12 Principal for their school.

To assist with a successful transition to new school administration, both the Greenbush Middle River School Board and the Tri-County School Board will separately participate in a School Board training session facilitated by the MN School Boards Association. The Greenbush School Board will participate in this training on April 19 in Greenbush. The Tri-County School Board will participate in this training on April 20 in Karlstad.

Motion by Board member Oliver and seconded by Hanson to permit Post Prom events and activities to be held in the school.

Motion by Board member Oliver and seconded by Burkel to accept the resignation of Ms. Michelle Steien effective at the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year as per submitted letter.

Board Report - FREEZE CO-OP Board meeting held on April 13, 2023.

Superintendent

MN Comprehensive Assessments (MCAs)

Motion by Oliver and seconded by Burkel to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted by Mark Koland, Clerk _____