

Regular Board of Education Meeting
Tri-County School District 2358
April 21, 2015, 7:00 p.m.
Staff Work Room

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Wikstrom at 7:00 p.m. and a quorum was determined. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Burkel, Koland, Murray, Olson, Regalado, Swenson, Chair Wikstrom, Superintendent Ruud and Principal Sorgaard were present.

“We Are Proud”

- It was a job well done to all of the senior art students for the effort and work they put into preparing and presenting their artwork that was judged at the MSHSL Art contest on Wednesday. Tri County earned 1 excellent in the category of crafts, 4 excellent ratings in the category of painting, 2 excellent ratings in drawing and 1 superior rating in the category of painting. Students who attended were Easton Fossell, Logan Englund, Briana Nelson, Jude Bass, Emily Dufault, Tylyn Hanson, Krystal Hanson, Rylie Krantz and Hailey Olson.
- We are SUPER proud of the students that performed at the Vocal Ensemble Contests today in Roseau! The 6 ensembles, once again, represented Tri-County School extremely well. Out of 40 total points possible for each ensemble, Tri-County earned: 40, 39, 39, 37, 34, and 34; which is 4 Superiors and 2 Excellents (they both missed Superiors by 1 pt.) Their hard work and dedication is admirable.

We are proud of the vocal ensembles that earned Outstanding Performances of the Day at Vocal Ensemble contests: Vocal Duet - Michael and Adam Thompson; TTBB quartet - Reed Foss, Ethan Barth, Michael Thompson, and Adam Thompson; and the SSA Women's Ensemble - Brandy Binstock, Naomi Budziszewski, Brielle Krantz, Sarah Budziszewski, Sierra Swenson, Danika Bass, Morgan Lindgren, Missy Hudson, Dariann Wikstrom, Taylor Rux, Josie Nobles, Alayna Peterson, and Hannah Kasprovicz.

We are proud of the concert choir earning 3 Superior Ratings at choir contests on March 11 in Hallock. Their scores were 39, 39, and 38 out of 40 possible points.

- We are proud of the 7 instrumental ensemble groups (14 students) that performed on Thursday, March 26th at the sub-section contest held in Tri-County. Our groups earned 1 excellent and 6 superior ratings, and earned 4 of the 7 Outstanding Performance awards given for the night. They have put in a lot of hard work over the past 6 weeks (meeting before school and at lunch time) and I am very proud of their efforts both inside and outside of class! Several of these groups will be performing at the spring concert along with some of the vocal ensembles and the band and choir, which will be held Thursday, May 14th at 7 p.m.

Flute duet, Excellent rating: Sarah Budziszewski and Sara Wollin

Flute/Clarinet duet, Superior rating: Sierra Swenson and Kristi Grzadzieleski

Clarinet Trio, Superior rating and Outstanding Performance: Tylyn Hanson, Hailey Olson and Kristi Grzadzieleski

Saxophone quartet with rhythm section, Superior Rating: Claire Koland, Jaelyn Spilde, Hailey Barth, Josie Nobles, Adam Thompson, Sarah Budziszewski, and Michael Thompson

Trumpet Duet, Superior Rating and Outstanding Performance: Michael Thompson and Taylor Rux

Saxophone duet, Superior Rating: Hailey Barth and Josie Nobles

Snare drum duet, Superior Rating: Adam Thompson and McKenzie Thompson

- We are proud of the way the 13 Close Up students who represented Tri-County in Washington, DC. They listened attentively in their workshops and absorbed a lot of material in a few days. Some of our students took leadership roles in the mock Congress. These students showed exemplary behavior whether they were on program with their Close Up workshop leader or sightseeing with Mr. Amb and I.
- We are proud of the reading accomplishments of students here at Tri-County School in the Accelerated Reading program. We have 174 students actively involved in AR so far this year and 123 of them have earned 25 points or more, one student being well over 500 points, with two over 250 points, 24 over 100 points, 39 over 50 points and the remaining 57 over 25 points. As a school, we have read 63,714,470 words so far this year in AR and 13 students have each read over one million words themselves. One student has read over 5 million words! During the 3rd quarter this year 59 students met the AR goals set for them by their teachers, those being 1) an average of 85% or better on AR quizzes, 2) met their point goal, and 3) met the book level goal, each set by their teacher. We continue to see improved reading scores in state assessments, and are proud that the reading programs used here at Tri-County School are working to help our students grow.
- Sarah Budziszewski has been accepted into the UND Summer Science Adventure Program for TRIO Talent Search. They will start at UND and then travel to Sioux Falls, SD for the remainder of the week to study everything science.

Member Swenson moved, Member Regalado seconded to approve the minutes of the March 17, 2015 regular meeting and the March 20, March 27 and March 31 Administrative Negotiations work meetings. UC

Member Swenson moved, Member Olson seconded to authorize payment for claims in the following funds. UC

	<u>Last Year</u>	<u>This Year</u>
GENERAL	\$80,976.23	\$67,282.94
FOOD SERVICE	9,673.58	11,252.17
COMMUNITY SERVICE	<u>4,720.53</u>	<u>666.63</u>
TOTAL	\$95,370.34	\$79,201.74

Visitors present were Amy Barth, Andy Barth, Dan Nordine, Lisa Amb, Brad Thompson, Sara Carpenter, Sarah Novacek, Marian Berggren, Ryan Baron, Jonathan Pearson, David Rux & LouAnn Rux.

Member Burkel moved, Member Murray seconded to approve the agenda as presented. UC

Member Murray moved, Member Olson seconded to approve the individual decision of each

board member to accept or not accept payments for meetings beginning on January 1, 2015 and to not attend the MSBA 2016 Conference in Minneapolis as a school district expense. UC

Discussion to Finalize Reductions or Elimination of Programs: The following have been agreed to by the board as reductions.

Dean of Students/Social Studies Combination; Spanish; School Social Worker (reduce by 1 day); School Nurse (reduce by 1 day); Elementary/Title I; School Board Salary; Summer School; Bus Purchase; Technology Budget

Member Swenson moved, Member Burkel seconded to approve Tri-County Schools membership in the Minnesota State High School League for the 2015-16 school year. UC

Member Burkel moved, Member Olson seconded to approve the hiring of Mallory Schaumburg for a math position starting with the 2015-16 school year. UC

Member Swenson moved, Member Regalado seconded to designate Mr. David Sorgaard as the Identified Official with Authority to authorize user access to MDE secure websites for Tri-County Schools. UC

Member Burkel moved, Member Regalado seconded to approve the following donations to Tri-County School District #2358: UC

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Wikstrom Telephone Company	Technology	\$7,614.00
Wikstrom Foundation	Playground Equipment	\$5,517.42
Box Tops for Education	Elementary School	\$980.40
Target – Take Charge of Ed.	K-12 Education	\$170.18
American Legion Post 445	Honor Band	\$400.00
American Legion Post 445	Close-Up Trip	\$1,300.00
American Legion Post 445	Tri-County FCCLA	\$100.00
Sports Boosters	District – Video Camera	<u>\$1,500.00</u>
		\$17,582.00

Principal Sorgaard reported on the following: Advisory Committee; Senior Privileges; MCA, ACT Testing; Co-op Board Meeting; Baccalaureate-Wednesday, May 20 at 7:00 p.m.

Superintendent Ruud reported on the following: State Update on Per Pupil Funding; Proposal from Governor/Senate for Free Breakfasts up to Grade 3

Board Reports:

NWRIC: Meeting was held April 7.

Region I: No Report

A meeting will be held with Nick Amb on April 29 at 7:00 p.m. in regard to the Dean of Students position.

Member Burkel moved, Member Regalado seconded to adjourn. UC

Respectfully submitted by Mark Koland, Clerk _____

Next Meeting: May 19 at 7:00 p.m.