



AGENDA for the regular meeting of the Board of Education to be held in the School Library at the Tri-County School site in Karlstad on Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Auditing Committee: Karrah Oliver and Denise Sollund at (6:00 P.M.).

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
4. SETTING THE AGENDA
- 4.1 RECOMMENDATION TO ADD ITEMS TO THE AGENDA BY BOARD MEMBERS OR SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION
- 4.2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
5. WE ARE PROUD
6. ACTION ON PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING MINUTES:
 - 6.1 APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 15, 2023 REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
7. BUSINESS SERVICES
 - 7.1 Approval to pay claims
8. VISITORS
9. OLD BUSINESS
 - 9.1 Review and Approval of 2023-2024 School Calendar option(s)
10. NEW BUSINESS
 - 10.1 Notice of Intent to Negotiate submitted by classified staff
 - 10.2 Notice of Intent to Negotiate submitted by licensed staff
 - 10.3 Reclassification of non-licensed Union to attain program supervisor positions and/or confidential employee status
 - 10.4 Approval to hire Head Baseball Coach
11. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION:
 - 11.1 Board:
 - 11.1.1
 - 11.2 Superintendent:
 - 11.2.1 Purchase of Playground Equipment within existing budget(s) for summer 2023 installation
 - 11.2.2 Advertising efforts for staffing in 2022-2023 and moving forward to 2023-2024 include:
 - K-12 Music/Vocal Teacher - 1st Grade Teacher
 - Bus Driver - 4th Grade Teacher at *Tier I* licensure level
 - Para (Title I) - H.S. Social Studies in *Out of Field* placement licensure level
 - 11.2.3 Status of proposed Wrestling Cooperative
 - 11.2.4 The 2023 MN Legislative session and its impact on PreK-12 Public Education
 - 11.3 Principal:
 - 11.3.1 To be determined
12. ADJOURN

Tri-County School District ISD #2358

Board of Education Meeting

March 15, 2023 6:30 PM

Tri-County School Library

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Murray at 6:30 PM and 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 Sollund and seconded by Burkel to approve the agenda of the March 15, 2023 Regular Board meeting as presented.

WE ARE PROUD...

of Emily Barth for being selected to play in the Concordia Honor Band Festival which is being held April 14-16th. The Concordia honor band draws students from three states and the conductors are nationally renowned. Emily has been very busy this year. She auditioned and was chosen to play in the UND Honor band in January, and also just completed an audition for All-State Band which, in itself, is an accomplishment. She will find out if she is selected for the Minnesota All-State band at the end of April. She also takes online, weekly, private lessons on her French horn through MacPhail College in Minneapolis. Emily has worked very hard and that hard work and dedication to doing her very best work has really paid off.

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

Motion by Sollund and seconded by Oliver to approve the March Pay Claims in the amount of \$98,276.93

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

Fund	Description	Total
01	General	\$83,726.26
02	Food Service	\$12,231.94
04	Community Services	\$122.20
21	Student Activities	\$2,196.53
Report Total		\$98,276.93

Mr. Bobby Jarrett (PARENT) submitted a request to address the TCS School Board a day prior to the March regular School Board meeting.

Review and discussion of previously presented [Feb. 2023 Board meeting] 2023-2024 School Calendar option(s). This item was tabled.

Up-date on staffing in 2022-2023 and moving forward to 2023-2024 [to / may] include:

Position	Time Frame	Advertising effort(s)
K-12 Music/Vocal Teacher	2023-2024 School year	ED POST thru St. Cloud State University Northern Watch North Star News
Elementary Teacher(s)	2023-2024 School year	ED POST thru St. Cloud State University Northern Watch North Star News
Bus Driver	Immediately	Northern Watch North Star News
Substitute Teachers	Immediately	Northern Watch North Star News

- Para (Title I)
- H.S. Social Studies at *Out of Field* placement licensure level
- Business Education Teacher / Tech person

A *Notice of Intent to Negotiate* has been submitted by classified staff. The TCS District Office received notification from the Union [Minnesota School Employee Association (MSEA)] representing non-licensed school employees of their desire to negotiate a new Employment Agreement for the 2023-2024 & 2024-2025 School year. The MN School Boards Association is recommending schools wait for the 2023 MN Legislature to adjourn before entering negotiations. The basis for the recommendation is due to legislation introduced that specifically pertains to non-licensed staff. The MN Legislature is scheduled to adjourn on or before May 22, 2023. *Resource: see Agenda item 11.2.4*

A *Notice of Intent to Negotiate* has been submitted by licensed staff. The TCS District Office received notification from Tri-County School Education Association (TCS-EA) representing licensed school employees of their desire to negotiate a new Employment Agreement for the 2023-2024 & 2024-2025 School year. The MN School Boards Association is recommending schools wait for the 2023 MN Legislature to adjourn before entering negotiations. The basis for the recommendation is due to legislation introduced that specifically pertains to licensed staff. The MN Legislature is scheduled to adjourn on or before May 22, 2023. *Resource: see Agenda item 11.2.4*

Supt. Guggisberg will report to the Board his recommendation for Reclassification of up-to three (3) current non-licensed Union positions to attain program supervisor positions and/or confidential employee status.

Approval to hire Head Baseball Coach

Suggested Board Action: Motion by Koland and seconded by Burkel to approve. Hunter Gullickson as the Head Baseball Coach.

During the February School Board meeting, it was reported to the Board an interest in moving forward to purchase Playground Equipment [replacement] within existing and already Board-approved budget(s):

- \$30,000 in Long Term Facilities Maintenance Revenue in FY 23 (ending June 30, 2023)
- \$36,000 in ESSER III Funds in FY 23
- \$30,000 expected in Long Term Facilities Maintenance Revenue in FY 24 (starting July 1, 2023)

The equipment was ordered within budget. In-fact a balance may remain and will be used to purchase safe-surface (wood shavings) to be placed on the ground at the base of the new playground equipment.

A resolution to form a wrestling cooperative with Greenbush Middle River and Badger was unanimously approved during the Tri-County School February Board meeting. A similar resolution was passed by the Greenbush Middle River School Board during its February Board meeting. And finally, a similar resolution was passed by the Badger School Board during its March Board meeting. The next step is to make

application to the Region VIII Committee for committee approval.

The 2023 MN Legislative session and its impact on PreK-12 Public Education

Legislative up-date provided by the MN Rural Education Association

Stand-alone Legislation: eg: Universal School Meals

Omnibus Education Bill: Collection of legislation wholly approved by House & Senate

Motion by Oliver and seconded by Burkel to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted by Mark Koland, Clerk. _____

Next Regular Board meeting is scheduled for April 19, 2023, 6:30 PM in the Tri-County School Library.