

Regular Board of Education Meeting

Tri-County School District 2358

May 20, 2014, 8:00 p.m.

Staff Work Room

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Wikstrom at 8:00 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”

- We are proud of all our students who did MCA testing. They worked very hard and took the testing seriously.
- We are proud of Mrs. Pietruszewski and the junior class for all their hard work to make the prom so spectacular. Also, we are very proud of the junior class parents who did a fantastic job of keeping our students safe on prom night by donating a huge amount of time and effort to create a wonderful and fun after prom party.
- We are proud of the students that prepared for and attended the 2014 Area I Envirothon at Agassiz National Wildlife Refuge. Not only did one of our teams win the event and qualify for the State Envirothon at St. John's University, but all of our teams represented our school with intelligence, dignity, and class. Team members that will be representing our school at the State Envirothon include: Laura Anderson, Devon Binstock, Morgan Koland, Steele Spilde, and Michael Thompson.

Other students that participated included: Josh "Pede" Hanson, Shirley Galloway, Jake Ciekliniski, Krystal Hanson, Hailey Olson, Christina Knutson, Kelli Amb, Shania Wollin, Mallory Krantz, Mykael Dembiczak, Kristi Grzadzieski, Sierra Swenson, McKenzie Thompson, Edwin Lefrooth, and Sydney Sele.

- We are proud of the Tri-County Band and Choir students for their wonderful Spring concert on May 8th. The large groups and ensembles did an incredible job in their performance. It has been a great year for music at Tri-County!
- We are proud of Michael Thompson for being selected for the All-State Mixed Choir for 2014-2015. There are over 2300 students that auditioned throughout Minnesota and only 240 make it into the three choirs; there are 80 students per choir. Michael is the first student to be accepted from Tri-County School in over 13 years.
- I am proud of the following students for their participation in the MSHSL Art Contest: Josh Hanson, Jake Ciekliniski, Sarah Murray, Shirley Galloway, Briena Englund, Shania Wollin, and Logan Nelson. Students entered a total of 9 works of art in the categories of sculpture, drawing, painting and crafts. Tri County brought home 4 Excellent ratings and 5 Superiors on their artwork. Congratulations to these students!!

- I am proud of my FCCLA members for their fantastic representation of our school and chapter at the State Conference in April. We brought 17 members to the conference, all of whom competed in at least one STAR event, while some competed in two. Tri County members earned a total of 2 golds, 10 silvers and 2 bronzes on their presentations! Chapter members this year are: Sarah Murray, Emily Dufault, Christina Knutson, Kaylee Juhl, Kourtney Juhl, Hailey Olson, Krystal Hanson, Tylyn Hanson, Rylie Krantz, Jude Bass, Kristi Grzadzieleski, Tyra Hanson, Taylor Koland, Caitlyn Peterson, Hannah Kasprovicz, Courtnie Foss, Morgan Lindgren.
- I am proud of my FCCLA member, Emily Dufault for earning not only a gold, but also one of the top two scores in her category of Recycle and Redesign at the State Conference! This earned her a trip to the National Conference in San Antonio, Texas in July where she will compete a final time with her project. We fly out on July 5 and will return on July 11.
- I am proud of the prom committee for their hard work in planning this year's prom: A Night in the Orient. Members are Emily Dufault, Kaylee Juhl, Kourtney Juhl, Rylie Krantz and Jude Bass. I am also proud of the members of the junior class for their hard work in putting all of the plans together to create the final arrangement.
- I am proud of all of my art students and my FACS 7 students for all of the items shown in this year's art show. There were over 450 pieces on display!!

Member Regalado moved, Member Swenson seconded to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2014 regular meeting and the April 22, 2014 public meeting on The World's Best Work Force. UC

Member Burkel moved, Member Wikstrom seconded to authorize payment for claims in the following funds. UC

	<u>Last Year</u>	<u>This Year</u>
GENERAL	\$56,352.22	\$45,587.63
FOOD SERVICE	8,544.45	10,765.09
COMMUNITY SERVICE	543.84	1,979.60
DEBT REDEMPTION	<u>57,500.00</u>	<u>57,500.00</u>
TOTAL	\$122,940.51	\$115,832.32

Visitors present were Aaron Johnson, Hector Regalado, Samantha Lindgren, Dan Nordine, Ardis Hanson, Ann Thompson & Sarah Novacek.

Member Swenson moved, Member Burkel seconded to approve the agenda as presented. UC In Favor Of: Wikstrom, Burkel, Swenson, Koland & Olson Voting Against: Regalado & Murray

Member Burkel moved, Member Regalado seconded to approve the following by consent: To place the following on summer leave of absence: Susan Budziszewski, Donald Carlson, Katie Edgar, Laura Efta, Kayla Gonshorowski, Celeste Engen, Ruth Halverson, Melissa Lefrooth, Michael Lefrooth, Laurie Lofstrom, Darcy Olson, Jolane Olson, Heidi Spilde, Lori

Wikstrom, Camille Wollin. UC

Member Swenson moved, Member Regalado seconded to involve the district in such federal programs as Title I and Title II. The Board of Education has authorized the principal and or the superintendent to act as LEA Representative in filing an application for funds as provided under Public Law 103-382 for the 2014-15 school year. UC

Member Burkel moved, Member Regalado seconded to accept the agreement with Altru Health Systems to perform the Athletic Training Service for the school for the 2014-16 school years at no cost to the school district with all the details on file. UC

Member Burkel moved, Member Koland seconded to approve a three (3) year contract with the principal with details in the superintendent's office. **MOTION FAILED** – Members Wikstrom, Burkel, Koland voting in favor; Members Swenson, Olson, Regalado, Murray voting against

Member Regalado moved, Member Murray seconded to approve a new two year contract with the Support Staff with details in the superintendent's office. UC

Member Burkel moved, Member Swenson seconded to designate the following days on the 2014-15 school calendar as possible storm make-up days if needed:

December 22	December 23	
February 16	April 6	May 29

Possibly go into the week of June 1-5 if needed.

Member Regalado moved, Member Murray seconded to set the following school goals for Tri-County Schools: UC

1. All children in our school district will start school ready to learn with the ability to read at grade level by 3rd
2. By 2019 the school district will have closed the achievement gap by 50%.
3. Offer classes that appeal to the whole student body that provides adequate instruction to ensure ability and desire to graduate.
4. Teachers will have access to the professional development and technology needed to help them prepare all their students for the future.
5. Our school will ensure that all students learn to use their minds well so they may be prepared for responsible citizenships, further learning, and productive employment in our modern economy.
6. Our school will provide a violence and drug free environment for all students, staff and administration, offering a disciplined environment conducive to learning.

Member Swenson moved, Member Olson seconded to accept the Teacher Development & Evaluation Plan for the 2014-15 school year. UC

Member Burkel moved, Member Regalado seconded to accept a retirement letter from Ron Sele, a school bus driver. UC

Member Swenson moved, Member Olson seconded to accept the resignation letter submitted by Brandon Nelson, an assistant cook for the school district. **UC**

Member Murray moved, Member Regalado seconded to accept the resignation letter submitted by Wayne Anderson as the Head Bus Mechanic. **UC**

Member Burkel moved, Member Regalado seconded to agree to hire Mrs. Sara Carpenter full time starting with the 2014-15 school year. **UC**

Member Swenson moved, Member Murray seconded to agree to pay for Mr. Brad Thompson's hotel stays in St. Cloud as he attends three 3-day sessions during the summer for classes to become certified in Industrial Technology. **UC**

Member Burkel moved, Member Murray seconded to hire Nick Olson as the groundskeeper for the school district for the summer of 2014. **UC**

Principal Sorgaard reported on the following: State Testing; Baccalaureate – Wednesday, May 28 at 7:00 p.m.; Commencement – Sunday, June 1 at 1:00 p.m.; Workshop – June 3

Superintendent Ruud reported on the following: Staffing for the 2014-15 School Year; iPads

NWRIC: Meeting will be next month.

Region I: Explained services provided by Region I and meetings that were coming up.

Member Burkel moved, Member Olson seconded to adjourn. **UC**

Respectfully submitted by Mark Koland, Clerk _____
Next Meeting: June 17 at 8:00 p.m.