Regular Board of Education Meeting

Tri-County School District 2358 May 18, 2016, 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, Sollund, Swenson, Chair Wikstrom, Superintendent/Principal Sorgaard and Dean of Students Amb were present.

"We Are Proud"

- We are proud of all our students who did MCA and ACT testing. They worked very hard and took the testing seriously.
- We are proud of the 23 students that represented Tri-County at the Area I Envirothon at Agassiz National Wildlife Refuge on April 27th. 26 teams from 8 different schools competed at this years contest. The teams from Tri-County placed 1st, 3rd, 4th, 12th, and 22nd. This is the first time we have finished with 2 teams in the top 3. Both of those teams have earned a chance to represent Tri-County at the State Envirothon held at Lake Bronson State Park May 16th. Team members includes the winning team of Sarah Budziszewski, Sara Wollin, McKenzee Johnson, Brielle Krantz, and Brita Swenson; 3rd place team members: Sierra Swenson, Danika Bass, Josie Nobles, and Julia Bielefeld; 4th place team members; Claire Koland, Adam Thompson, Jaelyn Spilde, and Naomi Budziszewski; 12th place team members: Beau Spilde, Walker Dembiczak, Kade Bass, Emmitt Lefrooth, and Keoni Kindler; and the 22nd place team members: Emma Wollin, Ali Undeberg, Abby Kautzman, Tucker Krantz, and Caitlyn Peterson.

More important to me than what position we finished in, each and every one of our students represented Tri-County with the utmost class and dignity.

- Mrs. Carpenter and Mr. Thompson are proud of the high school band and choir students for their excellent concert on Thursday, May 12th. The have worked hard this year and the concert helped show our community just how musical our students are. With the offering of Visual Art, Band, Choir, and Drama, the Tri-County students are not only getting a great education, but are becoming well rounded students as well.
 - I had planned to take our equipment out of the gym during 1st hour, like we usually do after a concert. After the staff meeting, I walked by the gym, it was cleaned out! In my office were all the tubs of bowties and cummerbunds....sorted and organized in tubs, like they were when handed out. The trumpet mutes were all in the tub so I can get them back to the schools I loaned them from. All the chairs were set up along with the percussion. The equipment from the choir was being moved from the stage...until Mrs. Carpenter caught up with them to tell them she still needed it for the concert next week!

According to the students, not only band and choir students helped, but also students in neither groups. They don't always show us that they care by giving us hugs or accolades or doing their homework on time. They show us by simple actions of doing something like this without being asked... and without reward. They did it because they knew it needed to be done and that it would make Mrs. Carpenter and I happy. This is what caring people do for one another.

- I am proud of Tri County FCCLA for their hard work, positive attitudes and excellent behavior at the State Conference in April. 17 Tri County FCCLA members had a very successful state trip, having attended many great speakers and sessions and also earning 3 golds, 6 silvers and 3 bronzes in their STAR Event categories.
 - -Taylor Koland (GOLD STAR) and Caitlyn Peterson (SILVER STAR) each wrote a Law of Life Essay on topics of their choosing including "The Small Things" and "The Lesson After the Loss." To round out their judging in this category, these students also participated in an interview regarding their papers while at the state conference
 - -Hannah Kasprowicz had also written an essay for regions but missed the point cutoff for advancement by only two points. Having met other requirements for participation in the chapter, she was able to attend and be involved in the learning sessions and other speakers offered at the state conference.
 - -Taylor Koland (SILVER STAR) also competed in an event consisting of a test containing everyday math questions as a second event.
 - -Halle Duray and Tori Peterson (SILVER STAR) gave an Illustrated Talk presentation on "Bullying"
 - -Julia Bielefeld (GOLD STAR) gave an Illustrated Talk presentation on "Be Happy to be Healthy"
 - -Kristi Grzadzieleski and Tyra Hanson (SILVER STAR) presented a demonstration on the topic of "Fun with Frosting" where they showed how to use different frosting tips to decorate cupcakes
 - -Jada Klegstad and BreAnna Rinde (BRONZE STAR) demonstrated how to prepare a simple whipped cream based fruit salad.
 - -Courtney Foss and Morgan Lindgren (SILVER STAR) gave a demonstration speech showing how to make easy peanut butter based snacks.
 - -Taylor Clark and Brielle Nelson (SILVER STAR) demonstrated how to make a variety of grilled cheese style sandwiches.
 - -Kylie Shetler (BRONZE STAR) showed how to create a basic hairstyle and makeup style for today's teen.
 - -Taylor Rux and Ethan Barth (GOLD STAR) prepared an Illustrated Talk presentation on "Self Harm." Taylor and Ethan earned 2nd out of all participants in this category, qualifying them for advancement to the National Leadership Conference in San Diego in July of this year.

Member Swenson moved, Member Burkel seconded to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2016 regular meeting. **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
 \$32,192.07
 \$40,036.59

 FOOD SERVICE
 7,198.90
 10,962.88

 COMMUNITY SERVICE
 4,252.75
 494.61

 DEBT REDEMPTION
 57,500.00
 57,500.00

TOTAL \$101,143.72 \$108,994.08

Visitors present were Dan Nordine, Marian Berggren and Brad Thompson.

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

Member Burkel moved, Member Sollund seconded to approve the following by consent: To place the following on summer leave of absence: Susan Budziszewski, Donald Carlson, Kayla Gonshorowski, Shari Knutson, Melissa Lefrooth, Michael Lefrooth, Laurie Lofstrom, Amy Olson, Darcy Olson, Jolane Olson, Erica Reese, Heidi Spilde, Lori Wikstrom, Camille Wollin. UC

Member Swenson moved, Member Olson seconded to involve the district in such federal programs as Title I and Title II. The Board of Education has authorized the Superintendent/Principal and or the Dean of Students to act as LEA Representatives in filing an application for funds as provided under Public Law 103-382 for the 2016-17 school year. **UC**

Member Murray moved, Member Koland seconded to accept an amendment to the Title I expense budget due to a modification in Title I paraprofessional duties. UC

Member Swenson moved, Member Murray seconded to approve the hiring of Haylie Anderson as an Elementary teacher for the 2016-17 school year. **UC**

Member Burkel moved, Member Olson seconded to approve the hiring of Erica Reese as Librarian for the 2016-17 school year. **UC**

Member Swenson moved, Member Burkel seconded to renew the contract of Nick Amb as a .5 teacher and .5 dean of students contract. The contract will consist of 192 days and will begin July 1, 2016. UC

Member Burkel moved, Member Swenson seconded to approve the final year (2016-17) salary of a two year contract for Superintendent David Sorgaard. UC

Member Murray moved, Member Burkel seconded to accept the resignation of Shari Knutson, school readiness teacher. UC

Dean of Students Amb reported on the following: Graduation May 29; Testing is Complete; On-line or In-house College; High School Schedule; Yearbook Survey; DPS Minnesota School Safety Center; Prom

Superintendent Sorgaard reported on the following: Baseball/Softball Co-op; Interquest Contract

NWRIC: Meeting will be next month.

Region I: An update on the budget was presented and still in the process of hiring an employee with an accounting background.

Member Burkel moved, Member Sollund seconded to adjourn. UC

Respectfully submitted by Mark Koland, Clerk _______

Next Meeting: June 15 a 8:00 p.m.