

Regular School Board Meeting
Taylor Community School Corporation
Taylor Board Room
Wednesday, May 12, 2015
5:30p.m.

Board Members Present:

Mr. Dennis Marler
Mr. Jeff Kellar
Mr. Bill Brubaker

Board Members Absent:

Mr. Scott Maple
Ms. Cathy Mathews

Administration and Central Office Staff Present:

Christopher Smith, Ed. S, Superintendent
Debbie Barton, Treasurer
Melinda Brown, Recorder/Secretary
Eric Hartman, THS Principal
Matt Boles, THS Assistant Principal
Audrey Wunderlich, Special Education Director
Michelle Crone, Food Service Director
Heather Hord, TMS Principal
Ramsay West, TMS Assistant Principals
Caitin Herr, TMS Guidance Counselor
Jeremy Luna, TES Principal
Pat Bernotas, Technology Director
Steve Dishon, Athletic Director
Steve Stiner, Maintenance Director

Others Present:

See attached list

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence

The regular school board meeting was called to order at 5:35pm in the Taylor Board Room, 3750 East 300 South, Kokomo, and Indiana. Mr. Marler led the meeting with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

III. Approval of Consent and Regular Agenda

Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the regular agenda and consent agenda as presented. Mr. Kellar seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

IV. Items on the Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of the Minutes
 - 1. April 15, 2015 Regular School Board Meeting
 - 2. April 15, 2015 Work Session School Board Meeting
- F. Field Trip Requests
 - 1. THS Band, Out-of-State Field Trip
 - 2. TMS Choir, Out-of-State Field Trip
- G. Employment Issues
 - 1. Resignations
 - a. Aubray Deckard, THS Secretary
 - b. Melissa Kunkle, Paraprofessional, PLATO Instructor/OSS Supervisor
 - c. Elysa Ames, THS Spanish Teacher
 - d. Stacy Barkley, TES Special Education Paraprofessional

- e. Felicia Dewitt, Part-time Titan Annex Office Secretary
- 2. Retirement
 - a. Melinda Thompson, Middle School Science Teacher
 - b. Judy Gushwa, Title I Paraprofessional
- 3. Paid Administrative Leave, Based on Executive Session Discussion
- 4. Employment
 - a. Elementary School
 - 1. Erin Salyers, Summer School IREAD 3 Remediation Paraprofessional
 - 2. Kristy High, Summer School IREAD 3 Remediation Teacher
 - b. Middle School
 - 1. Melissa Richmond, Cheer Sponsor
 - 2. Shelbie Johnson, Assistant Cheer Sponsor
 - c. High School
 - 1. Don Bennett, Summer School Government Teacher
 - 2. A.D. Titus, Summer School Algebra I Teacher
 - 3. Justin Palmer, Summer School Economics Teacher
 - d. Athletics
 - 1. Nick Weed, Volunteer JV Baseball Coach

VI. Spotlight

Academic Super Bowl

Mr. Eric Hartman introduced the Academic Super Bowl coaches and the student team members that were in attendance. The Fine Arts team brought home their fifth State Championship. Mr. Hartman introduced Head Coach/Fine Arts Coach MaryAnne Dishon and Steve Dishon, English Coach. Other Academic Super Bowl Coaches, not in attendance are; Jim Grossman, Science Coach; Phil Spitler, Math Coach; and Tiffani Barnes, Social Studies Coach. The students on the state champion Fine Arts Team: Kyle Orzech, Taylor Pemberton, Nick Nguyen, Brandon Nguyen and Ashley Nguyen.

V. Recognition of Visitors

There were no comments from patrons.

VII. Information

A. Financial Reports

The financial reports will be filed, subject to audit.

B. Quarterly Energy Analysis

The school board members reviewed the quarterly energy analysis.

C. Update on Athletic Fieldhouse

Steve Dishon updated the school board members on the process of the athletic field house. The athletic department will be hosting a hog roast when it is all complete so that the community can see the renovations made.

D. Update on Textbook Adoption

Chris Smith updated the school board members on the textbook adoption process. This item will be brought to the school board in June.

VIII. New Business

A. Consideration of Taylor Community School Corporation Wellness Policy

Michelle Crone and Steve Dishon introduced the new School Wellness Policy. Mr. Kellar moved to approve the Taylor Community School Corporation Wellness Policy as presented. Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

B. Consideration of Crossroads Bank Lease for Staff Computers Refresh and Student iPads

Pat Bernotas explained the lease for the staff computer refresh and student iPads. Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the crossroads bank lease as presented. Mr. Kellar seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

C. Consideration of Approval of Waiver from Implementation of Protected Taxes Resolution

Mr. Kellar made a motion to approve a Waiver from implementation of Protected Taxes Resolution. Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

D. Consideration of Approval of Lawn Equipment Lease

Steve Stiner explained the Lawn Equipment Lease to the school board members. Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the lawn equipment lease. Mr. Kellar seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

E. Consideration of Approval of 2015 Indiana DOE eLearning Flex Pilot Program

Pat Bernotas presented the Indiana DOE eLearning Flex Pilot Program Application. Mr. Kellar moved to approve the application of the 2015 Indiana DOE eLearning Flex Pilot Program. Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

F. Consideration of Approval of THS Student Handbook Revisions

Matt Boles explained the revisions to the THS handbook revisions. Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the THS student handbook revisions as presented. Mr. Kellar seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

G. Consideration of Approval of TMS Student Handbook Revisions

Ramsay West explained the TMS handbook revisions. Mr. Kellar moved to approve the TMS student handbook revisions. Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

H. Consideration of Approval of TES Student Handbook Revisions

Jeremy Luna explained the TES handbook revisions as presented. Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the TES handbook revisions as presented. Mr. Kellar seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

I. Consideration of Approval of TMS/THS Athletic Handbook Revisions

Steve Dishon explained the TMS/THS athletic handbook revisions. Mr. Kellar moved to approve the TMS/THS athletic handbook revisions. Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

J. Consideration of Approval of Realignment for 2015-16

Chris Smith explained the need for the approval of realignment for the 2015-16 school year. Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the realignment plan for 2015-16 as presented. Mr. Kellar seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

IX. Other Business

Chris Smith gave an overview of the updates of the legislation changes.

Our school board was recognized by the ISBA as an Outstanding Board. Mr. Maple was recognized as a level 3 board member.

Mr. Smith thanked Ms. Hord for being the corporation ISTEP coordinator. He also thanked the principals and assistant principals for all the hard work on the handbook revisions.

Mr Smith spoke about the Mayor's Council Turn-Around Award Breakfast. He strongly recommended that the members of the school board try to attend next year to see what a great program and honor this is for our students. Principals Heather Hord and Eric Hartman spoke about the students from their building that received this honor.

X. Adjournment

The next regular school board meeting will be Wednesday, June 11, 2015 at 5:30p.m in the Taylor Boardroom. Mr. Kellar moved to adjourn the May board meeting. Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:58p.m.

Dennis L. Marler

Bill Brubaker