

Regular Board Meeting
One Room Schoolhouse – 6:30 p.m.
November 14, 2017

Mrs. Connie Bowman, President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and began with the Pledge of Allegiance along with a moment of silence.

Roll Call

Connie Bowman – President
Cindy Griffith – Secretary

Jim Diagostino - Member
Craig Peoples - Member

Mr. Michael Springer – Superintendent
Mr. David Hobaugh – Business Manager
Terry Kessinger – School Attorney

Others Present

Daryl Hoffman
Jeremy Brooks
Erin Gill

Lois Hoffman
Deputy Chuck Jones
Eric Wathen

Comments from Public on Agenda Items

None

Additions or Changes to Agenda Items

None

Superintendent Reports

Genius Time Presentation: Mr Oppy and PES 5th Grade Students

Mr. Springer turned it over to Mr. Oppy. Mr. Oppy explained that the students work on Genius Time for an hour a week and they get to choose what they want to study. Once the students choose their topic they write a proposal to persuade Mr. Oppy to let them continue the said topic. After Mr. Oppy approves the topic the student researches that topic for 7-8 weeks and on the 9th week they present it to the class. Mr. Oppy reports that the students all really enjoy doing Genius Time. Three students presented their topics to the Board, they included horses, glow-in-the-dark slime and edible slime.

Buildings and Grounds Update

Mr. Springer reported that the Administration office is undergoing the carpet replacement along with the repairs to the drywall that was due to the water damage. Overall it is about a \$37,000 claim with the Insurance company. Mr. Hobaugh reported that he is still in the process of trying to finalize everything with the PES roofing project. The roofing projects at the Administration Building and Tri-West High School are completed.

Public Records Request

Mr. Springer indicated that there are no public records requests at this time.

Superintendent Reports: Continued

Strategic Planning Process Update

Mr. Springer provided a brief update on how the Strategic Planning Process is going. He indicated that he spent about 2 ½ hours with 16 High School students and that he really enjoyed that time with them. The students discussed things that they like about TWHS and things that they would like to see changed.

Legislative Updates: Cursive Writing, School Calendar, Graduation Pathways

Mr. Springer discussed the Legislative Updates with the Board Members; those items included cursive writing, changes to the school calendar and graduation pathways. These changes would affect the 7th grade class and younger.

Criminal History Background Checks In January

Mr. Springer reported that due to recent changes with lawmakers all current employees will be subject to background checks every 5 years and that the employees will be responsible for the cost.

Consent Agenda

a. Minutes – October 10, 2017 Regular Meeting

b. Payment of Claims

i. Accounts Payable - 10/12/17, 10/23/17, 10/26/17, 10/31/17 and 11/8/17

ii. Construction Claims - 10/18/17 and 11/8/17

c. Gifts and Donations – Steel Dynamics to TWHS Girls Basketball

d. Fund Report – 10/31/17

e. Payroll Reports – 10/13/17, 10/20/17 and 10/27/17

f. Personnel Report

Hires -

Kenny Davidson – 2nd Shift Maintenance – NWHSC

Courtney Voils – NSES Custodian – North Salem Elementary School

Mitch Jankowski – Boys Basketball Freshman Coach - Tri-West High School

Andrew Vassilo – Volunteer Freshman Boys Basketball Coach – Tri-West High School

Heather McAllister – Coed Volunteer Swimming Coach – Tri-West Middle School

Scott Worl – Strength and Conditioning – Tri-West High School

Resignations -

Sue Smith – Custodian– North Salem Elementary School

Retirement –

Don Dorrell – TWHS Athletic Director – End of 17-18 contract - Tri-West High School

Steve Terrell - PLTW Teacher - End of 17-18 contract - Tri-West High School

Connie Bowman made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Jim Diagostino seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 4-0.

Action Items

Administrative Salary Increases

Mr. Springer recommends approval for administrative salary increases of 2%.

Cindy Griffith made a motion to approve the administrative salary increases as presented. Jim Diagostino seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 4-0.

Non-Certified Staff Salary Increases

Mr. Springer recommends approval for an increase in non-certified staff salary of 3%.

Connie Bowman made a motion to approve the administrative salary increases as presented. Cindy Griffith seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 4-0.

Discussion Items

None at this time.

Calendar Items

- Mr. Springer reported that the next Board Meeting will be held at North Salem on December 12th starting at 6:30.
- Mr. Springer reminded the Board about the Christmas Open House that will be at the Administration Building on December 6th from 12-5.

Comments from Public – Non Agenda Items

Eric Wathen voiced some concerns on a variety of topics. The first item was in regards to BYOD, he wondered if there is a plan to eliminate bringing your own device and the school providing a device. He also expressed concern about the internet services at the schools and indicated that they need to improve. He also voiced concern about the population growing in Pittsboro and staying the same in North Salem; he wanted to know if there is a plan in place to help balance that out in the future. Another concern he had was that all students need to be treated equal across the board.

Lois Hoffman from the One Room School House thanked the Board for allowing the One Room School House to continue to serve about 70 groups over the past year. She really believes that it is making a difference in children's lives. Mrs. Hoffman also indicated that she is looking to expand the committee for the One Room School House, both Connie Bowman and Cindy Griffith are interested in helping.

Both Mr. Wathen and Mrs. Hoffman both expressed concern in the fact that the employees will be required to pay for the background checks that will need to be done going forward.

Other Comments from Board

- Connie Bowman would like to thank Lois Hoffman and everyone associated with the One Room School House for all of their hard work through the year to make it a successful year.

Adjournment

Jim Diagostino made the motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:27 pm.
Cindy Griffith seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristina James
Corporation Treasurer

APPROVED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. Connie Bowman, President

Mr. Brad Williams, Vice President

Mrs. Cindy Griffith, Secretary

Mr. Jim Diagostino, Member

Mr. Craig Peoples, Member