Regular Board Meeting Tri-West Middle School - 6:30 p.m. April 13, 2021

Mr. Brad Williams, Board 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

Brad Williams - President Joe Brooks - Member Cindy Griffith - Vice President Abbie Morgan - Member

Craig Brelage - Secretary

Dr. Scott Syverson - Superintendent David Hobaugh - Assistant Superintendent Jessica Heiser - School Counsel

# Others Present

Shari Switzer Jeremy Brooks Angela Hall Matt Rund

Jon Miles Brandon Schwenk Deputy Jones

# Additions or Changes to Agenda Items

None

#### Superintendent's Report

#### High School Athletic Recognition

Mr. Rund, TWHS Principal, shared some HS athletic accomplishments. He shared that even through multiple quarantines from Covid the TWHS Girls Basketball team won 3 sectional games to claim our first Sectional Championship since 2014. Then they played 2 outstanding games and won our first Regional Title since 1999. The TWHS Girls Basketball team advanced to Semi-State where they unfortunately lost to the State Champs. Indiana Basketball Coaches Assoc - District 2 Player of the Week - Kenna Kirby (35 pts in Regional Final) and Honorable Mention - Adrie Thompson (16 pts in Semi State). Mr. Rund reported that their Final Record was 17-1. The TWHS Girls Basketball team were Hendricks County Tourney Runner Ups, Sagamore Conference Champions, Sectional 25 Champions and Greencastle Regional Champions. Mr. Rund congratulated Kenna Kirby for reaching 1,000 points in her HS career. He also congratulated Grace Sandlin for her Career Assists Record of 386. Congratulations to Coach Glivia and all the girls on the team.

Also, congratulations to Dominic Pugliese on his accomplishments in wrestling. His wrestling record is 31-9. He is ranked 5th in school history. He is a Sagamore Conference Champion and has been a Semi State Champion 2 times. Dominic's Career Record is 112 wins to 32 losses. Congratulations Dominic for all your hard work.

#### PES Presentation - Mr. Brooks

Mr. Brooks introduced Angela Hall, his wonderful librarian. Mrs. Hall explained the program "Reading Counts". Mrs. Hall explained that each student gets to participate in the program. Mrs. Hall shared that students love to be competitive and this also encourages them to read. After each book a student reads there are 10 questions to be answered over the book. Each book is a different Lexile level. The students earn points by reading the books and the students earn rewards.

#### **IRead Report**

Mrs. Switzer went over the IRead Report for 3rd Graders. She reported that the IREAD3 had 33 students pass all 3 categories and got 100% on each test. The last time that students took this test was 2019. She reported that we have a 93% pass rate. Mrs. Switzer reported that we will be having a Summer School Program for those students that did not pass the test. The Summer School Program will be 9 days on June 1 - 11, 2021. There will be a letter sent home to parents of the students that did not pass.

#### Graduation and Prom Update - Mr. Rund

Mr. Rund went over the Graduation and Prom Updates. He shared that on May 29, 2021 we will have the TWHS Graduation. He shared that each student will get 6 tickets to Graduation per family. He shared that we are allowed 900 people in the gym at this time. This is as long as the county stays in the blue for Covid cases. Mr. Rund did a survey with the Senior class to see if they wanted a Graduation in person with only 2 tickets per student (if the county was in yellow for Covid) or would they rather have a parade. The Senior class had 70% of students decide to have an in person Graduation if the county was in yellow for Covid.

Mr. Rund went over the Prom Update. This event will take place May 8, 2021 from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. at the Dallara IndyCar Factory in Speedway. They will be taking students' temperatures at the door that will be entering the building. There will be 25 tables with groups of 10 at each table. They will keep track of who the students are with at each table. There will be water and gatorade for the students to drink. There will be no Post Prom sponsored by the school corporation.

#### Consent Agenda

- a. Regular Board Minutes March 9, 2021
- b. Payment of Claims
  - i. Accounts Payable 4/13/2021
  - ii. Bond Proceeds Payable 3/19/2021, 3/24/2021(1), 3/24/2021(2) and 4/9/2021
- c. Gift and Donations None
- d. Fund Report March 2021
- e. Payroll Report 3/12/2021, 3/19/2021 and 3/26/2021
- f. Personnel Report

Craig Brelage made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Cindy Griffith seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

### **Action Items**

# **Approval of Policies**

Dr. Syverson reported that this is the second reading on Policies 3100 Non-Certified Staff - Employment Procedures, 3001.01 Certified Staff - Salaries - Change to Administrators Salaries, 3001.11 Certified Staff - Vacancies, Transfers, and Promotion and 3001.12 Certified Staff - Technology Guideline for Teachers. Dr. Syverson recommends approval of these Policies.

Brad Williams made a motion to approve Policies 3100, 3001.01, 3001.11 and 3001.12. Joe Brooks seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

#### SAS Daily Rates

Mr. Hobaugh explained that during this Covid period we have had to add some daily rates to our original SAS fees and to make some adjustments due to quarantines. We did not want to charge our families for being absent because of Covid. Mr. Hobaugh recommends approval of the SAS Daily Rates.

Abbie Morgan made a motion to approve the SAS Daily Rates. Cindy Griffith seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

#### **Board Resolution HB 1005**

Jessica Heiser, School Council, explained about the Resolution HB 1005. She explained that the ISBA asked all schools to adopt this Resolution HB1005. She explained by signing this resolution and sending it back to the Legislator that it might help to stop vouchers from taking more money away from the Public Schools. All 5 Hendricks County Schools signed the Resolution. Mrs. Heiser recommends approval for this Resolution HB1005.

Brad Williams made a motion to approve the Board Resolution HB 1005. Cindy Griffith seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

# Strategic Plan Approval (Mission Statement, Core Values, and Pillar Statements)

Dr. Syverson reported that we sent out a survey to teachers, staff and community members. This is to get some feedback on the Strategic Plans. There are a few changes to be made to the plan. Under the "Mission Statement" the word best was changed from B.E.S.T to BEST. Under "Core Values" the word Differentiated is changed to Individualized and the word Responsibility was added. Under "Core Values" the words Student centered philosophies were removed. Dr. Syverson shared that under "Teaching and Learning" the statement was changed to a more simple language. Also, under "School Safety and Facilities" the words Mental Health were added. Dr.Syverson will share the feedback with the board members next week.

Abbie Morgan made a motion to approve the Strategic Plan (Mission Statement, Core Values, and Pillar Statements). Brad Williams seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

## **High School Summer School**

Dr. Syverson reported that there will be a High School Summer School Program this coming summer of 2021. This High School Summer School Program will be for students to catch up on English and Math only. Mr. Rund, HS Principal, was there to answer any questions. He explained that they will need at least 15 students to sign up to run this program. We will use our own teachers to teach these courses. There was a discussion amongst the board members. Dr. Syverson recommends approval.

Craig Brelage made a motion to approve the High School Summer School Program. Joe Brooks seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

### **IRead Remediation Summer Program**

Dr. Syverson reported that the IRead Remediation Summer Program will be from June 1-11, 2021 from 8 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. We are looking at around 9 students at this time to be attending this program. We will be posting for the summer job position (Internally Only). There will be no transportation provided for this program. Dr. Syverson recommends approval.

Cindy Griffith made a motion to approve the IRead Remediation Summer Program. Craig Brelage seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

## High School Choir/Band Trip

Dr. Syverson recommends approval of the High School Choir/Band Trip. This is the same trip that was approved last year, but with a different date because of Covid. This trip will take place Tuesday - Sunday, March 28 - April 2, 2022. Students will be refunded their money from the past trip if they are not attending on this trip. Hoping for 65 students to attend this trip. They will be taking a charter bus on this trip. There was a discussion amongst the board members.

Craig Brelage made a motion to approve the High School Choir/Band Trip. Brad Williams seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. 5-0.

## Sponsorship Campaign and Build the Den Plans

Mr. Miles, Athletic Director, shared his plan for sponsorship to seek sponsors for the new fields/buildings and walkway at the football field. He shared an expense report with the board. Mr. Miles explained that we are in need of some new equipment. He would like to start a Build The Den Capital Campaign for TWHS Athletics. This would be for a Stadium Legacy Plaza. This would be for anyone to purchase a brick for the entryway or the donor wall. The purchase of a brick will help support all sports programs. He is asking approval from the board to get started on this Sponsorship Campaign. The documents he has provided have been approved by Ice Miller and CC&H. There was a discussion amongst the board members.

Joe Brooks made a motion to approve the Sponsorship Campaign and Build the Den Plans. Abbie Morgan seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

Joe Brooks read an email from a concerned parent and former coach about our students and Mental Health Issues.
Calendar Items  a. Next Board Meeting, May 11, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. @ Tri-West Middle School
Adjournment
Cindy Griffith made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:49 p.m.  Craig Brelage seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.
Respectfully submitted,
Dawn Russell Superintendent Secretary
APPROVED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS
Brad Williams, President
Cindy Griffith, Vice President

**Discussion Items** 

Craig Brelage, Secretary

Joe Brooks, Member

Abbie Morgan, Member