

Northwestern Consolidated School District of Shelby County

Board of School Trustees

NWCSD of Shelby County Board room

Wednesday, April 9, 2014

7:00pm - 8:00pm

Present: Mr. John Merlau, J.D., Board President; Mr. Terry Morgan, Board Vice President; Mr. Tim Kelly, Board Member; Mrs. Kathy Cord, Administrative Assistant; Dr. Shane Robbins, Superintendent; Mrs. Laura Mullen, Corporation Treasurer; Mr. Todd Welty, Board Member; Mr. Bob Thopy, J.D., Board Attorney

Absent: Mr. Ken Polston, Board Secretary; Mr. Jeremy Miller, Board Member; Mrs. Mary Pardue, Board Member

1 Regular Session (7:00 pm)

Mr. John Merlau, J.D., Board President

1.1 Call to Order Minutes

Mr. Merlau called the Regular Session to order at 7:00 p.m. Mary Pardue, Ken Polston and Jeremy Miller were absent from the meeting.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance Minutes

Mr. Merlau asked all present to join him in paying honor to our country by reciting the pledge of allegiance.

1.3 Revision of Agenda Minutes

Dr. Shane Robbins, Superintendent

Dr. Robbins added Acceptance of Bread and Milk bids as agenda item 3.8.

1.4 Northwestern Star(s) Minutes

Middle School Principal Bobby Thompson recognized teachers Bruce Stone and Rory Moody for their service to the school in volunteering to direct two drama productions during the 2013-14 school year.

Mrs. Shirley Wright, Director of the Indiana Middle Level Education Association presented Dr. Robbins with a plaque in recognition of his support of the Schools to Watch program.

1.5 Comments from Patrons Minutes

Mr. John Merlau, J.D., Board President

There were no comments from patrons.

2 Consent Agenda

Dr. Shane Robbins, Superintendent

 [Mar 12 2014 Board Minutes.pdf](#)

 [April Claims.pdf](#)

Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Welty and seconded by Mr. Morgan to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2014, meeting and claims. Motion passed 4-0.

3 Superintendent's Report

Dr. Shane Robbins, Superintendent

3.1 Presentation of the Monthly Financial Report (I.O.) Minutes

Dr. Robbins continues to monitor the fund balances to make sure revenue stays up. Mr.

Morgan asked if Dr. Robbins would prepare a report at the end of this school year that will project to December 2014.

3.2 Recommendation of Personnel (B.A.R.)

 [April Personnel Recommendations.pdf](#)

Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan and seconded by Mr. Kelly to accept the following personnel recommendations made by Dr. Robbins. Motion passed 4-0

- Maureen Lowes retiring as elementary school teacher
- Amy Batton resigning as elementary school teacher
- Adam Hammond requesting a one-year leave of absence
- Judy Lane - hire as TCES temporary special education teacher
- Rhonda Hill - hire as assistant TCHS track coach

3.3 Recommendation to Accept Donations (B.A.R.)

 [April Donations.docx](#)

Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan and seconded by Mr. Welty to accept donations of \$150.00 to the high school junior/senior prom from a Class of 1970 Alumnus and \$35.00 to the high school Drama Club from a student's grandmother. Motion passed 4-0. Mr. Morgan asked what the balance is in the Triton Schools Fund through the Blue River Foundation. Dr. Robbins will look up the balance and report back to the Board.

3.4 Recommendation to Offer Summer School 2014 (B.A.R.)

Minutes

Dr. Robbins requested approval to offer summer school in 2014 including providing transportation for elementary and middle school students. He has applied for funding for a 2-week time frame. A motion was made by Mr. Kelly and seconded by Mr. Welty to approve the summer school recommendation. Motion passed 4-0.

3.5 Recommendation to Accept Transfer Students (B.A.R.)

 [Transfer Students.pdf](#)


Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan and seconded by Mr. Kelly to accept all 6 out-of-district students requesting approval to enroll for the 2014-15 school year. Motion passed 4-0.

3.6 Presentation of Student Handbooks for 2014-15 (I.O.)

TCES- Mr. Hough, TCMS- Mr. Thompson, TCHS- Mrs. Hill

 [TCHS Handbook revision summary.pdf](#)

 [TCHS 14-15 handbook.pdf](#)

 [TCMS Handbook revision summary.pdf](#)

 [TCMS 14-15 handbook.pdf](#)

 [TCES 14-15 handbook.pdf](#)

Minutes

Mr. Hough presented the elementary school handbook for the 2014-15 school year. All information currently in the handbook applies to the upcoming school year so there were no changes made.

Mr. Thompson presented the 2014-15 middle school handbook updates. All changes made were to clarify current policies.

Mrs. Hill presented updates for the 2014-15 high school handbook. Most changes are to remove references to specifics (such as naming certain vocational schools), to clean up references to outdated information and to clarify current policies.

3.7 Recommendation of Food Service Employees Salary Increase (B.A.R.)

 [Recommended Cafe Salaries 2014.pdf](#)

Minutes

Dr. Robbins presented a schedule of salary increases for the Food Service employees. Head cooks will receive a \$1.00 per hour increase and other kitchen staff will receive \$.50 per hour increases. Mr. Kelly asked if the increases are retroactive and Dr. Robbins replied that they are not. A motion was made by Mr. Kelly and seconded by Mr. Morgan to approve the recommended increases.

3.8 Recommendation to Accept Bread and Milk Bids for 2014-15 School Year

Dr. Shane Robbins, Superintendent

Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Welty and seconded by Mr. Kelly to approve Dr. Robbins' recommendation to accept a bread bid from Klosterman's Bakery and a milk bid from Prairie Farms for the 2014-15 school year. Motion passed 4-0.

4 TCHS Fieldhouse Project Update

Mr. Bill Klennert, Project Manager

Minutes

Dr. Robbins reported to the Board that the Fieldhouse will not be finished on time. All items are being reviewed to ensure completion is according to plans. Workers are currently fireproofing and painting. Allowance has been given for lost days due to severe weather, with the completion date currently scheduled to be April 16. The athletic equipment has been delivered.

5 Input from School Board Members and Administration

Mr. John Merlau, J.D., Board President

Minutes

Mr. Welty offered thanks to Mr. Thompson and Mr. Hough for their work in the buildings. Mr. Morgan stated a date needs to be scheduled for the Board's appraisal of Dr. Robbins. Mr. Merlau reminded the Board and public of the April 23rd special meeting for the elementary school project. Dr. Robbins suggested a ribbon cutting be scheduled with the Chamber of Commerce for the fieldhouse.




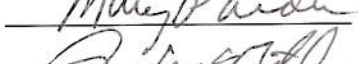
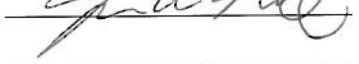


6 Adjournment

Mr. John Merlau, J.D., Board President

Minutes

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Mr. Welty and seconded by Mr. Morgan to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Motion passed 4-0.

Approved:

	John Merlau, President
	Terry Morgan, Vice President
	Ken Polston, Secretary
	Mary Pardue, Member
	Jeremy Miller, Member
	Tim Kelly, Member
	Todd Welty, Member