Regular Board Meeting  
Tri-West High School – 7:00 p.m.  
January 13, 2015  

Mrs. Connie Bowman, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.  

Roll Call  

Connie Bowman – President  
Steve Sprecher – Vice President  
Brad Williams - Secretary  

Judy Pingel – Member  
Cindy Griffith - Member  

Mr. Richard King – Superintendent  
Mr. Ronald Ward – Assistant Superintendent  

Others Present  

Lana Koontz  
Members & family of the Band, Cheerleaders, Boys Soccer & Boys Football  

Joy Gehm  

Comments from Public on Agenda Items  

None  

Executive Session Certification  

Connie Bowman, President, stated, “In accordance with Public Law 33, this Board hereby certifies that it discussed no subject matter in the December 17, 2014 executive session other than the subject matter specified in the public notice of the said meeting.”  

Oath of Office for Newly Elected and Re-elected Board Members  

Krissy James administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected member Cindy Griffith and also re-elected members Brad Williams and Connie Bowman.  

Reorganization of the School Board of Trustees  

At this time Connie Bowman asked for nominations for office of Board President, Vice President and Secretary.  

Steve Sprecher nominated Connie Bowman as President of the Board for 2015. Judy Pingel seconded the nomination. No other nominations for President were made. Connie Bowman closed the nominations.  

Steve Sprecher made the motion to approve Connie Bowman as President, Judy Pingel seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.
Reorganization of the School Board of Trustees: continued

Connie Bowman nominated Steve Sprecher as Vice President of the Board for 2015. Brad Williams seconded the nomination. No other nominations for Vice President were made. Connie Bowman closed the nominations.
Connie Bowman made the motion to approve Steve Sprecher as Vice President, Brad Williams seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

Connie Bowman nominated Brad Williams as Secretary of the Board for 2015. Cindy Griffith seconded the nomination. No other nominations for Secretary were made. Connie Bowman closed the nominations.
Connie Bowman made the motion to approve Brad Williams as Secretary, Cindy Griffith seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

Mr. King advised the Board Members they need to approve a set salary for the Board Members for 2015.
Connie Bowman made the motion to approve $2,000.00 as the set salary for Board Members for 2015. Steve Sprecher seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

Mr. King advised the Board Members they need to approve a school attorney for 2015 and recommends retaining Terry Kessinger.
Judy Pingel made the motion to approve Mr. Terry Kessinger as school attorney for 2015. Steve Sprecher seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

Mr. King advised the Board Members they need to approve a Treasurer for 2015 and recommends retaining Kristina James.
Steve Sprecher made the motion to approve Kristina James as Treasurer for 2015. Brad Williams seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

Connie Bowman advised the Board Members they need to approve the Board Liaisons for 2015 and asked the Board if they would like to retain the current positions with Cindy Griffith replacing the positions previously held by Kathy Waite. The Board Members agreed to these five positions.

A. Legislative – Cindy Griffith
B. Policy – Cindy Griffith
C. Foundation – Judy Pingel
D. Bid – Connie Bowman
E. Negotiations – Steve Sprecher & Brad Williams

Connie Bowman made a motion to approve the five categories as submitted. Brad Williams seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.
Consent Items

Minutes
Mr. Richard King, Superintendent, recommended the Board approve the minutes of the December 17, 2014 Regular Meeting with the corrections made as noted by Steve Sprecher.

Steve Sprecher made a motion to approve the December 17, 2014 minutes with the corrections as noted. Connie Bowman seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

Acceptance of Claims
Mr. King recommended the Board approve the regular Claims as submitted.

Connie Bowman made a motion to approve all Claims as submitted. Cindy Griffith seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

Payroll Reports
Mr. King recommended the Board approve the Payroll Reports from December 19, 2014 and December 23, 2014 as submitted.

Brad Williams made a motion to approve the Payroll Reports as submitted. Steve Sprecher seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

Personnel
Mr. King recommended the Board approve the following:

Resignations - Alivia Anderson – 8th Grade Language Arts Teacher – Tri-West Middle School

Hires – Katherine Gerber – Temporary 8th Grade Language Arts Teacher – Tri-West Middle School

Annika Carlson – Temporary 1st Grade Teacher – Pittsboro Primary School

Judy Pingel made a motion to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation concerning personnel. Steve Sprecher seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.
School Board Awards
Mr. King, Mr. Benner, Mr. Simpson, and Mr. Dorrell presented School Board awards to members of four different groups at Tri-West High School. The first group to receive their awards was the Band for their 1st place finish in their division. The second group to receive their awards was the Boys Varsity Soccer team that finished as State Runners-Up in the 1A division. Trevor Waite received an additional award for receiving the Mental Attitude Award for Class 1A. The third group to receive their awards was the Cheerleaders for finishing as State Runners-Up. The last group to receive their awards was the Varsity Football Team that finished the season as Class 3A State Champions. Nick Sprecher received an additional award for receiving the Class 3A Mental Attitude Award.

Transportation/Building Matters
Transportation
Mr. King indicated that there is nothing to discuss at this time.

Curriculum Matters
Mr. King indicated that there is nothing to discuss at this time.

Financial Matters
Board of School Finance Resolution and Officers for the Board of School Finance
A President and Secretary need to be elected for the Board of School Finance; traditionally the sitting President and Secretary on the board are selected. Mr. King recommends approval to mirror current positions.

Judy Pingel made the motion to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation concerning Board of School Finance officers. Cindy Griffith seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

The Board of School Finance Resolution is required to be passed each year. Mr. King recommends approval.

Steve Sprecher made the motion to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation concerning Board of School Finance Resolution. Brad Williams seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

Investment Report
The Investment Report for 2014 was presented to the Board. Mr. King recommends approval.

Brad Williams made the motion to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation concerning the Investment Report for 2014 as noted. Cindy Griffith seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.
Financial Matters: Continued
Transfer of Appropriations Resolution
Mr. King is recommending approval to transfer appropriations when it needs to be done throughout the calendar year of 2015 by the Corporation Treasurer at the direction of Mr. Ward, Assistant Superintendent.

Connie Bowman made the motion to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation regarding the transfer of Appropriations when necessary throughout the year. Judy Pingel seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

Authority to Prepay Bills as Needed
Mr. King recommends approval for authority to pay claims prior to monthly Board meetings so that late fees can be avoided.

Steve Sprecher made the motion to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation regarding paying claims prior to monthly Board Meetings to avoid late fees. Connie Bowman seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

Notice to Bidders - Temporary Loans
This note allows us to be ready to borrow money if needed. At this time we do not think we will need to but if for some reason we don’t get our money on time we would be able to get up to 1 Million dollars to meet expenses. The bids would be due prior to the February Board Meeting. Mr. King recommends approval.

Connie Bowman made the motion to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation regarding the Notice to Bidders for Temporary Loans. Brad Williams seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

Donations
Mr. King reported that Green Street made donations of $500 to both North Salem Elementary School and Pittsboro Elementary School prior to Christmas to help families/students in need. Mr. King recommends approval.

Judy Pingel made the motion to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation regarding the donation as noted. Cindy Griffith seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.
Other Business
Aramark Food Services Report
Mr. King presented the Aramark Food Services Report to the Board. The numbers for December were down a little bit but there was some illness before break that contributed to that along with it also being a shorter month. Overall we are still doing very well.

City Securities Presentation on Refinancing Outstanding Bonds
Mr. King reported that City Securities will be here a little later for their presentation.

Other
Judy Pingel was wondering about new Banners for the gymnasium labeled Home of Champions.

Comments from Public – Non Agenda Items
Joy Gehm was inquiring about the Drum Line field trip for April, she wanted to make sure that everything has been approved and that they are good to go.

7:50 pm - Break in the meeting to go to Executive Session while waiting on City Securities to arrive for their presentation.

8:55 pm – Reconvene for the presentation with City Securities.

Mr. Ward turned it over to Matt Shoemaker with City Securities. Mr. Shoemaker indicated that we are looking to refinance the pension bonds. He then went on to give a presentation to the Board indicating the benefits and process of going through the refinance. At this time Mr. Ward is asking for authority to move forward with the process of refinancing the pension bonds. Mr. King recommends approval.

Connie Bowman made the motion to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation regarding going through the procedures to refinance the pension bonds as noted. Judy Pingel seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 5-0.

Adjournment
Steve Sprecher made the motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:11 pm and go into Executive Session. Connie Bowman seconded the motion and meeting was duly adjourned to immediately go into Executive Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristina S. James
Treasurer
APPROVED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. Connie Bowman, President

Mr. Steve Sprecher, Vice President

Mr. Brad Williams, Secretary

Mrs. Judith Pingel, Member

Mrs. Cindy Griffith, Member