Regular Board Meeting
Administration Building – 6:30 p.m.
July 21, 2014

Mrs. Connie Bowman, President, called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Roll Call
Connie Bowman – President Brad Williams – Secretary
Steve Sprecher – Vice President Judy Pingel – Member

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

Others Present
Mary Houchin
Sherri Lane

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 June 10, 2014 and July 10, 2014 executive sessions other than the subject matter specified in the public notice of the said meeting.”

Consent Items
Minutes
Mr. Richard King, Superintendent, recommended the Board approve the minutes of the June 10, 2014 Regular Meeting with corrections as noted by Steve Sprecher.

Connie Bowman made a motion to approve the June 10, 2014 minutes.
Judy Pingel seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 3-0.

Acceptance of Claims
Mr. King recommended the Board approve the regular Claims and construction claim as submitted.
Mr. Ward explained the PPS construction claim to the Board.

Steve Sprecher made a motion to approve the regular Claims and construction claim as submitted. Judy Pingel seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 3-0.

Fund Report
Mr. King recommended the Board approve the Fund Report from June 30, 2014 as submitted.

Connie Bowman made a motion to approve the Fund Report as submitted.
Steve Sprecher seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 3-0.
Consent Items: Continued

Payroll Report

Mr. King recommended the Board approve the Payroll Reports from June 6, June 13, June 20, July 3 and July 18 2014 as submitted.

Steve Sprecher made a motion to approve the Payroll Reports as submitted.
Judy Pingel seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 3-0.

Personnel

Mr. King recommended the Board approve the following:

Hires -
Abby Scroggins – TWHS JV Volleyball Coach – Tri-West High School
Cindy Bondy – TWHS Freshman Volleyball Coach – Tri-West High School
Steve Terrell – PLTW Teacher – Tri-West High School
Jackie Thompson – Cafeteria – Tri-West High School
Nathan Begle – Girls Varsity Basketball Coach – Tri-West High School
Austin Moxley – 7/8th Grade Football Assistant Coach – Tri-West Middle School
Austin Hendershot – 7/8th Grade Football Assistant Coach – Tri-West Middle School
Justin Rutherford – 7/8th Grade Football Volunteer Assistant Coach – Tri-West Middle School
Caleb Ross – 7/8th Grade Football Volunteer Assistant Coach – Tri-West Middle School
Andrea Kish – 7th Grade Volleyball Coach – Tri-West Middle School
Lori Fulks – 8th Grade Volleyball Coach – Tri-West Middle School
Tammy Stewards – 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach – Tri-West Middle School
Adrian Barger – 7/8th Grade Cheer Coach – Tri-West Middle School
Lee Swain – 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach – Tri-West Middle School
Kate Sowden – Special Education Aide – Pittsboro Primary School
Aandrea Orange – Cafeteria – Pittsboro Primary School

Resignations -
Tim Kern – Junior Class Sponsor – Tri-West High School
Brad Acton – Girls Varsity Basketball Coach – Tri-West High School
Brian Powers – TWHS Assistant Track Coach – Tri-West High School
Robin Bondy McCarr – TWHS JV Volleyball Coach – Tri-West High School
Britney Myers – TWHS Freshman Volleyball Coach – Tri-West High School
Justin Rutherford – 7/8th Grade Paid Football Coach – Tri-West Middle School
Erica Warren – 2nd Grade Teacher – Pittsboro Primary School

All ECA Sponsors as submitted by Tri-West High School
All Fall Sports Coaches as submitted by Tri-West High School
All Winter Sports Coaches as submitted by Tri-West High School
All TWMS ECA Sponsors as submitted by Tri-West Middle School

Connie Bowman made a motion to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation concerning all personnel. Judy Pingel seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 3-0.
Consent Items: Continued
Brad Williams arrives 6:37 pm

Permission to Hire
Mr. King requested permission to hire, pending board approval due to the fact that school will be starting before we are to meet again.

Connie Bowman made a motion to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation concerning permission to hire. Steve Sprecher seconded the motion and vote was unanimous, 4-0.

Financial Matters
Recommendation on Lunch fees
Mr. King reported that due to compliancy with the Paid Lunch Equity Requirements set forth by the State of Indiana, it is necessary to increase the price of lunch fees for the 2014-2015 school year. A formula, which is labeled “Weighted Average Price Calculator for SY 2014-2015” is provided by the state to determine the increase. The elementary lunch fee will be $2.30. The middle & high school lunch fee will be $2.50. There is also an increase in milk, it is now $.60. Mr. King recommends approval on the new lunch fees.

Steve Sprecher made a motion to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation concerning the increase in lunch prices as submitted. Brad Williams seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 4-0.

Cafeteria Work Schedules
Mr. King explained that there were some minor changes that needed to be made to the cafeteria work schedules and recommends approval.

Connie Bowman made a motion to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation concerning the cafeteria work schedules as submitted. Brad Williams seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 4-0.

TWMS Student Athletic Pass
Mr. King reported that Mr. Smith is recommending implementing a TWMS student athletic pass for $25. He would like to make a t-shirt to be used as the pass but the Board has expressed some concerns with that and is wondering if something else could be done. Mr. King is recommending approval for Mr. Smith to work on the specifics of a TWMS athletic pass for $25.

Connie Bowman made a motion to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation giving Mr. Smith permission to work on a TWMS student athletic pass for $25. Steve Sprecher seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 4-0.

Budget Calendar 2015
Mr. Ward gave a calendar with critical budget dates to the Board for their information.
Transportation
Road 300 Railroad Crossing
Mr. King has been informed by Bob Gentry that the county is looking at closing the railroad crossing at road 300 and rerouting to road 350. There was a discussion amongst the Board about the closing and also changing the bus route. The Board is comfortable with any changes that will need to be made.

Other Business
Board Policy – Section 7 & 8 - First Reading
Mr. King presented Section 7 & 8 of the Board Policy as the first reading. Kathy Waite has submitted some corrections prior to this meeting. Steve Sprecher also had some questions and wanted clarification on some items.

Senior Choice Teacher Selection Policy – Second Reading
Mr. King presented the Senior Choice Teacher Selection Policy as the second reading. Mr. King will talk to Adam Benner and they will change the title of this event at a later date. Mr. King recommends approving the policy with the understanding that at a later time the name will be changed.

Steve Sprecher made a motion to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation regarding the Senior Choice Teacher Selection Policy with the understanding that at a later time the name will be changed. Connie Bowman seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 4-0.

Policy for Early Graduation – Second Reading
Mr. King presented the Policy for Early Graduation, there has been some grammatical corrections made. Judy Pingel has some questions and concerns in regards to this policy. This led to a discussion amongst the Board and Mr. King. After the discussion Mr. King recommends approval of the Policy for Early Graduation as presented by Adam Benner on 6/10/14.

Connie Bowman made a motion to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation regarding the Policy for Early Graduation as submitted by Adam Benner on 6/10/14. Steve Sprecher seconded the motion and the vote was 3-0 with Judy Pingel abstaining.

AASA Document
Mr. King gave the AASA article to the Board, he said it was a good article on public education.

Renaissance Conference
Mr. King spoke about the Renaissance conference that the administrators and a group of students attended in July in Florida. He said that it was a great conference and he felt that everyone learned a lot. Gina Whitaker was honored for being one of five national winners of “Teacher of the Year”. Mr. Ward noted that the elementary and high staff did a presentation while at the conference and did a top notch job.
Other Business: Continued
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One Room School House
Judy Pingel reported on the One Room School House. She talked about that it has been 12-14 years since work has been done there and that it was time for some to be done. She stated that there has been work done on the windows and door; they were able to find a craftsman who was able to do the work at a reasonable rate. She also stated that there was a great work crew that helped change the gravel over to concrete. She went on to say that she is very pleased and very happy with all the work that has been done. She would like to present the much deserving work crew with School Board Awards. She is also looking for suggestions to help get the word out about the One Room School House and also to help the current teachers understand it while becoming more aware of it along with everything that goes along with it. Connie Bowman suggested holding a School Board meeting there possibly near the end of the year.

Maintenance Trucks
Mr. Ward reported that he has purchased the two new maintenance trucks for the corporation. He has purchased a 2014 with a new snow plow for $32,000 and he has ordered a 2015 which should arrive in August for $34,000.

Book Rental
Mr. King noted that the original listing of the book fees for the 4th & 5th Grade were listed incorrectly, a specific fee was inadvertently left off of the overall fee. The new 4th grade fee is $132 and the new 5th grade fee is $131.

Connie Bowman made a motion to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation concerning book rental fee for 4th & 5th grade as submitted. Judy Pingel seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous, 4-0.

Comments from Public – Non Agenda Items
None

Adjournment
Steve Sprecher made the motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:25 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 James
Corporation Treasurer
APPROVED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

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Mrs. Connie Bowman, President  Mr. Steve Sprecher, Vice President

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Mr. Brad Williams, Secretary    Mrs. Judith Pingel, Member

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Mrs. Kathy Waite, Member