

TCSC Board Meeting

TCSC School Board

Administration Office, 1051 S Main St, Tipton, IN 46072

Tuesday, July 14, 2020

6:30pm - 6:42pm

Present: Dawn Benefiel, Administrative Assistant; April Overdorf, Board Secretary; Randy Sottong, Board Member; Jim Ankrum, Board Member; Gary Johnson, Board Vice-President; Gary Plumer, Board President; Chris McNew, Board Member; Scott Wessel, Director of Operations; Kegan Schmicker, Board Member; Dr. Ryan Glaze, Superintendent

1 Call to Order/Welcome

Gary Plumer, Board President

Minutes:

Mr. Plumer called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

2 Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes:

Dr. Glaze led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3 Approval of Consent Agenda Items

Gary Plumer, Board President

A member of the Board may request any item to be removed from the consent resolution and defer it for a specific action and more discussion. No vote of the Board will be required to remove an item from the consent agenda. A single member's request shall cause it to be relocated as an action item eligible for discussion. Any item on the consent agenda may be removed and discussed as a nonaction item or be deferred for further study and discussion at a subsequent Board meeting if the Superintendent or any Board member thinks the item requires further discussion. (ByLaw 0166.1)

It is recommended that the following Consent Agenda Items be approved:

Approval of the Agenda

Approval of Minutes

- June 9, 2020

Approval of Claims

- Payroll June 19, 2020
- Payroll June 30, 2020
- Payroll July 3, 2020
- A/P Claims

Approval of Personnel Report

- Personnel Report July 2020

Approval of Field Trips (Overnight and/or Out-of-State)

- None.

Approval to Accept Donations

- None.

Minutes:

Personnel Report

Motion to approve by: Mr. Johnson

2nd by Mr. McNew

Motioned: Kegan Schmicker

Seconded: April Overdorf

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
April Overdorf, Board Secretary	X		
Randy Sottong, Board Member	X		
Jim Ankrum, Board Member	X		
Gary Johnson, Board Vice-President	X		
Gary Plumer, Board President	X		
Chris McNew, Board Member	X		
Kegan Schmicker, Board Member	X		

4 Superintendent's Report

Dr. Ryan Glaze, Superintendent

Minutes:

- Happy students back in buildings
- Construction projects going well
- Diesel Tank project updates: Claim was denied by insurance company. Tanks and fuel has been removed. Project is finishing up.
- Thank you Assured Partners and Dan Benefiel for all work with trying to get claim paid and all the work taking care of spill and removal.

4.1 Spotlight on Schools

4.2 Department Reports

Facilities & Transportation, Scott Wessel
Student Services, Shayne Clark
Food Services, Adam Proulx
Technology, Steven Gingerich

4.3 Financial Report

Ryan Glaze, Superintendent

The end of June resulted in a positive cash balance of \$322,996 in the Education fund, but a negative balance of \$34,004 for the month of June. Other cash balances include \$963,128 in Debt Service and \$2,570,680 in the Operation Fund.

As we mentioned last month, there was a concern about delayed payment of property tax. However, we did get our payment and it was much better than expected which significantly increased our Operation Fund cash balance. We received 95% of our anticipated tax draw.

4.4 Other

Ryan Glaze, Superintendent

5 Old Business

Gary Plumer, Board President

Minutes:

None.

6 New Business

Gary Plumer, Board President

6.1 Consideration to approve the agreement between TCSC and KASEC for 2020-2021.

TCSC has been a member of KASEC for a number of years. This is the annual agreement between

TCSC and KASEC that is presented for approval on an annual basis.

It is recommended that the 2020-2021 agreement between TCSC and KASEC be approved.

Motioned: Jim Ankrum

Seconded: Kegan Schmicker

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
April Overdorf, Board Secretary	X		
Randy Sottong, Board Member	X		
Jim Ankrum, Board Member	X		
Gary Johnson, Board Vice-President	X		
Gary Plumer, Board President	X		
Chris McNew, Board Member	X		
Kegan Schmicker, Board Member	X		

6.2 Consideration to approve various board policies on First Reading

A number of Board Policies have been submitted for consideration. Many of the changes are in response to changes in state and/or federal laws.

It is recommended that the Board approve the policy changes for First Reading.

Motioned: Gary Johnson

Seconded: April Overdorf

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
April Overdorf, Board Secretary	X		
Randy Sottong, Board Member	X		
Jim Ankrum, Board Member	X		
Gary Johnson, Board Vice-President	X		
Gary Plumer, Board President	X		
Chris McNew, Board Member	X		
Kegan Schmicker, Board Member	X		

6.3 Consideration to approve a COVID-19 resolution.

The Indiana Department of Education, Governor Holcomb, and other state agencies recommend the passage of this resolution suspending school board policies conflicting with waivers and extensions during the COVID-19 pandemic.

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve this resolution.

Motioned: Kegan Schmicker

Seconded: Jim Ankrum

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
April Overdorf, Board Secretary	X		
Randy Sottong, Board Member	X		
Jim Ankrum, Board Member	X		
Gary Johnson, Board Vice-President	X		
Gary Plumer, Board President	X		
Chris McNew, Board Member	X		
Kegan Schmicker, Board Member	X		

6.4 Consideration to approve TCSC Reopening Plan

COVID-19 Global Pandemic forced widespread school closings last spring in order to "Flatten the Curve" and lessen rate of infection. As part of the statewide reopening plan the Indiana Department of Education, Indiana Department of Health, and the governor's office developed the IN-CLASS COVID-19 Health and Safety Re-entry Guidance document as road map for school districts throughout the state. TCSC developed a plan using the IN-CLASS document as a template with support of our Reopening Task Force consisting of teachers, parents, administrators, local health department officials, TCSC corporation nurse, food service, building and grounds, and transportation. The TCSC Reopening Plan is a fluid document that will continue to change. The Reopening Task Force will continue to meet throughout the school to update our plan as needed.

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Tipton Community School Corporation Reopening Plan as presented.

Motioned: Jim Ankrum

Seconded: Gary Johnson

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
April Overdorf, Board Secretary	X		
Randy Sottong, Board Member	X		
Jim Ankrum, Board Member	X		
Gary Johnson, Board Vice-President	X		
Gary Plumer, Board President	X		

Chris McNew, Board Member	X		
Kegan Schmicker, Board Member	X		

6.5 Consideration to approve TCSC Virtual Plan

Due to the COVID-19 Global Pandemic, some students and parents are concerned about returning to traditional school. For these students TCSC will offer two virtual options. Both options use TCSC instructional staff. Option 1 is software based using EdOptions from Edmentum with TCSC teachers facilitating the lessons. Option 2 uses Google Classroom with TCSC teachers teaching the lessons with the same pacing as traditional TCSC students. Both options will require a strong wifi signal and the use of school iPads or MacBooks.

The TCSC Virtual plan has been reviewed by the Reopening Task Force. It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve TCSC Virtual plan and Edmentum as the software vendor.

Motioned: Chris McNew

Seconded: Kegan Schmicker

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
April Overdorf, Board Secretary	X		
Randy Sottong, Board Member	X		
Jim Ankrum, Board Member	X		
Gary Johnson, Board Vice-President	X		
Gary Plumer, Board President	X		
Chris McNew, Board Member	X		
Kegan Schmicker, Board Member	X		

6.6 Consideration to approve a memorandum of understanding between the TEA and TCSC

As part of the reopening plan, employees are encouraged to not work when feeling unwell. In that spirit we have developed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) between the Tipton Education Association and Tipton Community School Corporation to suspend attendance incentives and revised procedures for transfer of sick leave days for the 2020-2021 school year.

Motioned: Kegan Schmicker

Seconded: April Overdorf

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
April Overdorf, Board Secretary	X		
Randy Sottong, Board Member	X		
Jim Ankrum, Board Member	X		
Gary Johnson, Board Vice-President	X		
Gary Plumer, Board President	X		
Chris McNew, Board Member	X		
Kegan Schmicker, Board Member	X		

6.7 Consideration to approve the Assistant Technology Director position and job description.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the need for additional technology support is necessary as we continue to deploy additional student devices and virtual learning options. To meet this challenge, the position of Assistant Technology Director with a new job description was developed. This new position would replace the current Elementary Technology Aide position that is currently unfilled. This position will be posted both internally and externally.

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the new position of Assistant Technology Director.

Motioned: Gary Johnson

Seconded: April Overdorf

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
April Overdorf, Board Secretary	X		
Randy Sottong, Board Member	X		
Jim Ankrum, Board Member	X		
Gary Johnson, Board Vice-President	X		
Gary Plumer, Board President	X		
Chris McNew, Board Member	X		
Kegan Schmicker, Board Member	X		

7 Other Matters to Come Before the Board

Gary Plumer, Board President

Minutes:

None.

7.1 Advisory Committees

Gary Plumer, Board President

7.2 Schedule of Events

Gary Plumer, Board President

- July 20 - Business Affairs Committee, 5:30 PM
- July 25 - Graduation, 10:00 AM
- July 27 - School Offices Open
- August 6 - Teacher Workday
- August 7 - Students Report
- August 11 - School Board Meeting, 6:30 PM
- August 17 - Facilities/Technology Committee, 5:30 PM

Minutes:

Business Affairs committee will reschedule for July 27, 2020.

8 Comments from Community

Gary Plumer, Board President

Minutes:

Many items were discussed including:

- Will students have to wear mask all day? A. Masks are recommended. There will be mask breaks scheduled throughout the day.
- No students in building before 7:40 AM
- Wave Dismissal to allow for social distancing
- Attendance policy will have more leniency due to COVID19
- No visitors to classrooms or lunch during school due to COVID19
- Recess/Playground will have zones for social distancing and contact tracing if needed
- Specials will go to the classrooms for elementary students
- TCSC is a 1:1 school now. Devices are available for students in grades K-12

Mr. McNew thanked Mr. Emsweller and Dr. Glaze for all their hard work to get the 2020-21 school year started safely for students and staff.

9 Adjournment

Gary Plumer, Board President

Minutes:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Motioned: Kegan Schmicker

Seconded: Jim Ankrum

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
April Overdorf, Board Secretary	X		
Randy Sottong, Board Member	X		
Jim Ankrum, Board Member	X		
Gary Johnson, Board Vice-President	X		
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