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TALAWANDA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR SESSION

Talawanda High School- June 15, 2020

7:30 p.m. Public Session

BOE Meetings will be videotaped.

Mr. Chris Otto, President (not present), Dr. Mary Jane Roberts, Vice President, Dr. Rebecca Howard, Dr. Kathleen Knight-Abowitz, Mr. Patrick Meade

1. Opening of Meeting

A. Roll Call

2. Executive Session

A. Executive Session- NO EXECUTIVE SESSION

3. Reconvene in Open Session

A. Approval of Agenda, no executive session, addition of "public participation rules", and first reading for policies this evening

B. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Reports

A. Butler Technology & Career Development School Report - Mr. Meade

- Butler Technology Slide Show (on screen).
- Participation has been fairly consistent during the past 6 years.
- The distance might be one impact to greater participation numbers.
- The science center at BT is popular.
- Quite a few satellite programs between THS and one at TMS. Vo-Ag is very popular.
- CBI has changed in the number of programs available during the past few years.

B. Legislative Liaison Report - Dr. Knight-Abowitz

- Governor DeWine is working on a bill that deals with the issues associated with the pandemic/shut down. This impacts funding. It has some parts regarding student religious expression. It also prohibits schools from NOT promoting third graders regarding the third grade test. Also has provisions for telecommunications for special education, and prohibits schools from furloughing teachers. Mrs. Tafelski indicated she believes we may receive back \$14K.

C. Arts & Athletics Liaison Report - Dr. Howard

- Athletics with limited contact and conditioning is going very well. Students are very happy to be back. OHSAA has been vague about upcoming rules for Fall. Regarding the Arts...marching band is not starting training/skills yet. They are waiting for new guidelines. Percussion and color guard are also waiting until July. All guidelines will be followed when students can return to activities.

D. Student Achievement/Academic Liaison - Mr. Otto/Dr. Roberts

- Dr. Roberts sent a monthly bulletin with information regarding opportunities happening around the state. It helps to keep BOE's and administrators "in the know" about state activities.

5. Resolutions/Presentations

A. Pride Data Presentation -Amy Macechko

- See slide presentation
- The Health Coordinating Council is active in this and helps with non-academic barriers to learning.
- The survey is offered to all 7-12 students back in November 2019. 989 students participated. The survey looks at alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs. This year they included mental/social/emotional health issues.
- Since 2006, we continue to see a reduction in use over time.
- TSD students usage is lower than county and regional stats.
- Most TSD students are NOT using substances...this is good news!
- E-cigarettes are the new drug of choice however.
- Age of first use in our community is 13.5 in this community, and those who use...do it mostly at home or a friend's home. They get this from friends and sometimes parents.
- Being involved in positive activities reduces the risk of using.
- Dr. Howard wants to increase training for adults to reach out to students, and Dr. Knight-Abowitz is pleased to see the district equity plan also included in this work. Dr. Roberts shared she likes all of the collaboration with community agencies.
- It takes a whole community to raise healthy young people!
- Dr. Theroux shared his thanks for this work.

B. Facilities Update - Bill Hubbard

- Mr. Hubbard is sharing maps of the district owner properties, sharing year built, sq. ft/acreage, and facility updates.
- Mr. Hubbard shared details about the train station and also the BC Regional Transport Authority that is being planned.
- On the horizon are needs for a new BOE, and possibly a new TMS.

C. Welcome to Visitors and Public Participation

- Amy Shaiman, parent and Oxford resident, shared that she hopes the district can host some meetings to help parents understand better the plans for school in the Fall.

6. Report of the Treasurer

- A. Approval of Minutes - May 11, 2020 Regular Session- Approved 4-0
- B. Approval of Minutes - May 21, 2020 Special Session- Approved 4-0
- C. Approval of Minutes - June 9, 2020 Work Session- Approved 4-0
- D. Approval of Gifts- Approved 4-0

Anonymous Donor	\$1000.00	Mask Project Donation
The Luebbe Family	\$100.00	Mask Project Donation

- E. Approval of Appropriation Modifications- BLOCK 6E-6G- Approved 4-0
- F. Approval of Appropriation Increases/Decreases
- G. Approval of Then & Now Over \$3,000

- H. Approval of Financial Report for May 2020- Approved 4-0
- I. Approval of Final FY20 Appropriation Resolution- Approved 4-0
- J. Approval of Temporary FY21 Appropriation Resolution- Approved 4-0
- K. Approval of Contracted (Purchased) Services Agreements for FY21- Approved 4-0

- Mrs. Tafelski shared more details regarding the variety of purchased services used to support students each year.
 - Concerns were shared about the possibility of hiring a sub...we piloted this at THS this year and the sub was used each day. TSD is concerned about having subs during the pandemic.

- L. Approval of Amendment to the Transportation Agreement- Approved 4-0
- M. Approval of Alpha Omega Cleaning Services Renewal (THS/Kramer)- Approved 4-0
- N. Approval of OSP Liability Insurance Renewal- Approved 4-0
- O. Approval of Employee Dishonesty and Faithful Performance of Duty Resolution in Lieu of Bond- Approved 4-0
- P. Approval of Resolution Authorizing Transfer of Real Property- Approved 4-0
- Q. RFP Special Needs Transportation Update-
 - The deadline was Friday and we have received 3 proposals. Stay tuned for more information at the next meeting.
- R. Other Matters

7. Report of the Superintendent

- A. Approval of Certificated/Licensed Personnel- Approved by 3, and 1 abstain
- B. Approval of Classified Personnel- Approved 4-0
- C. Approval of Supplemental Personnel- Approved 4-0
- D. One-to-One Technology Discussion with Matt Rand
 - TSD has a 4 year device cycle. The devices we have can last 4-6 years...at the end of that time automated updates will expire and then we could not do testing.
 - Postponing the cycle purchase could be an issue because the buildings take turns in the cycle, and then next year we would have to double the purchase which is not included in the IT forecast.
 - Presently devices are still with students.

- When devices are returned we send the best ones to the school loaner program, and then the remainder goes to a buy-back program.

E. Second Reading and Approval of Fee Schedules for 2020-2021 SY - Lindsey Gregg Approved 4-0

F. Approval of Contracted Service Agreement with BCESC - Treasurer Search- Approved 4-0

G. Information Regarding Amtrak, Nelson Morrow Building, and BCRTA Facility- Approved 4-0

- This was tabled from last month.
- SHP would develop ideas for this at a cost of up to \$7000.
- This will assist with long term planning, and save funds down the road.
- The finance committee just met for the first time and are interested in long term planning.

H. Approval of Recommendation to Move to Later Start Times for THS/TMS and Elementaries- Approved 4-0

- Discussions have been occurring for many years. Currently we will start/end secondary school 30 minutes later, and elementary school start/end 15 minutes later.

I. Approval of Memo of Understanding - Student Activity/Athletics/Clubs Supplementals- Approved 4-0

J. Approval of MOU with TEA Regarding One-Time Retirement Incentive- Approved by 3, abstain 1

K. Approval of MOU with TCSA Regarding One-Time Retirement Incentive- Approved 4-0

L. First Reading of Policy Revision - Dennis Malone

Policy 3220	Standards Based Teacher Evaluation	Revision
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M. Other Matters

- TSD leadership is meeting with county reps and schools, and tomorrow we meet with the entire administration to discuss how we can come back to school in the Fall.
- The discussion will include transportation and online learning.
- Students wearing masks will be optional.
- Staff wearing masks will likely be required.
- More details to come as we work on them.
- Dr. Knight-Abowitz asked if virus testing will occur in the district, and the answer is "No".
- Athletic conditioning is going well, so we want to add all sports and adhere to the plans in place to start conditioning other activities. This is expanding for more activities/students, and we can dial it back if needed.

8. Items From the Board Members

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- Mr. Meade is thankful to Andy Zimmerman and Matt Rand for video and IT support for all the virtual meetings we've hosted.

9. Close of Meeting

A. Future Board Events- THURSDAY JULY 9...please make note!

B. Adjournment- 9:55pm