



Talawanda School District

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TALAWANDA EMPOWERS!

November 2019- Board of Education Meeting Highlights

BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR SESSION

Talawanda High School

7:00 p.m. Executive Session

7:30 p.m. Public Session

Mr. Mark Butterfield, President, Dr. Mary Jane Roberts, Vice President, Dr. Mike Crowder (absent), Mr. Patrick Meade, Mr. Chris Otto

1. Opening of Meeting

A. Roll Call

2. Executive Session

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3. Reconvene in Open Session

A. Approval of Agenda-

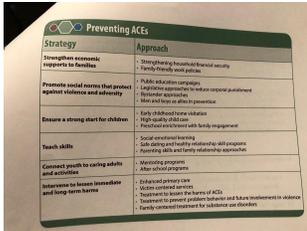
B. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Resolutions/Presentations

A. Social Workers Update - Stephanie Norris, Kelly Franks, Chelsea Pike & Chrissy Rolfes

- Director of Student Services, Stephanie Norris was joined by our 3 elementary school social workers- Kelley Franks (Bogan), Chelsea Pike (Kramer), Chrissy Rolfes (Marshall). They work closely with the BC Success Liaison-Ashley Workman.
- They provide social/emotional instruction to support and empower all students in their healthy development and to be productive members of society.
- They help coordinate school based as well as outside counseling services. They support with interventions, small group support, and one-on-one help to fill the gaps with students who may not qualify for school services.

- They collaborate to bring services to students with MU interns and work closely with school SRO's.
- They focus on prevention work with emotional supports/needs/suicide prevention work/childhood trauma related issues/social skills/behavioral needs/support for students with disabilities.
- They teach/help with school personnel with strategies to assist with behavioral support, emotional regulation techniques.
- Help with basic needs, emergency help, support groups, mental health, assistance for self sufficiency.



B. The Talawanda Schools Nutrition Standards - Mary Lynne Bierman, SNS

- TSD is in compliance with the mandated food guidelines and standards. TSD goes above and beyond the standards, and provides an interactive website and nutrition education (also food ingredients helpful for food allergies for some students).
- Ms. Biermann hosts team building activities for the food service staff.
- TSD partners with MU Dietetics students.
- Lunch participation is up 2% elementary, 9% TMS, 4% THS

C. Student Wellness and Restorative Practices - Amy Macechko

- Mr. Mike Malone and Mrs. Macechko shared a program regarding updated discipline practices. Suspensions/expulsions are rapidly declining with the new program. They are using Positive Behavior Supports. They are trying to keep kids in school, while undergoing disciplinary action, and still learning during their time. NEW classes have been listed provide education on a variety of topics, such as vaping. This provides information/education regarding the disciplinary topic.
- The HCC-Health Coordinating Council reviewed some of the courses to provide feedback. Mrs. Macechko reported this aligns so well with our goal to increase developmental assets, and that students are taking this seriously.
- Outcomes- self awareness, self management, social awareness, relationship skills, responsible decision making

D. Band Program Update - Mike Marston

- Mr. Marston shared with band members Emma Patt, Bishop Schwartz, and May Evans
- The students shared information about their experiences and showed off their new jackets. They perform at all the football games and they have a great relationship with the cheer team and are going to 4 competitions. They have done 3 parades and all pep assemblies. 12 members play other sports. 4 members attend Butler Tech.

- The percussion section performed very well in competition winning first place at the last one. Winter percussion is coming and they will perform at area high schools. They also perform for community gathering in the form of fundraisers.
- The band program is not just the marching band and also includes TMS. 214 at TMS, and **334** total between THS & TMS. December 2 and 4th are the next performances.

E. Kids Voting Results - Dr. Theroux & Prue Dana

- Mrs. Dana shared the results of the Talawanda program highlighting the strong program we have 3-12. This promotes voting education and voting awareness. Students are encouraged to discuss voting at home with their families. She thanked Mr. Rand, TSD IT Director, for assisting with the program and helping develop the ballots for students. This takes place 1 week before the actual election. The program began in our community in 1999.

F. Welcome to Visitors and Public Participation

- Mr. Dittman, Hanover Township, wants to remind everyone that he feels district spending is a major issue and he is concerned that TSD has declining academic performance. He wants the income tax to be changed to an earnings tax. He wants to petition to over-turn this at the ballot. He is concerned that people do not understand and that there is misinformation about finances.

5. Reports

A. Butler Technology & Career Development School Report - Lois Vollmer

- No report

B. Legislative Liaison Report - Mary Jane Roberts

- Dr. Roberts attended the OSBA conference. HB 166 is in a 1 yr moratorium for now.
- School funding- The Cupp Patterson report is still being worked on.
- The report card committee's recommendations are due December 14th. The Middletown Superintendent is on this committee.
- Territory sharing...districts that share areas, students may be able to choose in the future which school they will attend in their area.

6. Report of the Treasurer

A. Approval of Minutes- Approved 3-0, Butterfield abstains

B. Approval of Gifts- BLOCK 6B-F

Oxford Community Foundation	Morgan Fund Annual District	\$1965,49
Oxford Community Foundation	Talawanda Mock Trial	\$300.00
Oxford Community Foundation	Bogan - Biz Town	\$4,575.00

C. Approval of Financial Reports for October 2019

D. Approval of Appropriation Modifications

E. Approval of Appropriation Increases/Decreases

F. Approval of Then & Now Over \$3,000

G. Update on \$28.3MM G.O. Bond Refunding

- First issued in 2009...all bonds were sold last week, and the taxpayers will save approximately \$3million over the next 3 years. Mr. Stuckey shared the details about the process. The duration of the bonds has been shortened to 2029.

H. Approval of November Five-Year Forecast- [5 Year Forecast- NOVEMBER](#)

- Mr. Meade requested a 5 year walk-through (going back 5 years) and Mr. Davis provided a report.
- Approved 4-0

I. Approval of FY20 Permanent Appropriation Resolution

- Approved 4-0

J. Approval of Quit Claim Deed for Lot Consolidation of Marshall Property

- Approved 4-0

K. Update on Marshall Project

L. BHP Update

M. Audit Update

N. Other Matters

7. Report of the Superintendent- Block 7A- C- Approved 4-0

A. Approval of Certificated/Licensed Personnel

B. Approval of Classified Personnel

C. Approval of Supplemental Personnel

D. Second Reading of New Policies and Policy Revisions - Dennis Malone

- Approved 4-0

E. Second Reading of Proposed Dates for the 2019 BOE Meetings

- Approved 4-0

2020 BOE Meeting Dates

January 13, 2019 – Organizational Meeting

January 27, 2020

February 24, 2020

March 16, 2020

April 20, 2020

May 11, 2020

May 21, 2020 – Special Session/Graduation

June 15, 2020

July 9, 2020

August 17, 2020

September 21, 2020

October 12, 2020

November 16, 2020

December 14, 2020

F. 2020-2021 Criteria for EdChoice Designated Public Schools

- [Ed Choice Documents](#)
- This is a potentially punitive financial issue for TSD

G. Capital Conference Update

- Dr. Theroux attended along with Mr. Meade, Mr. Otto, Dr. Roberts, and Mr. Davis.
- Highlights were sessions on safety.

H. STEM Bus Update - TSD has a New Bus that is ADA compliant with a lift.

I. Business Advisory Update: Partnered with BCESC and Butler Tech

J. Informational Items

- No school November 27, 28 & 29 -- Thanksgiving Break
- Update on the emergency protocols in Oxford City and Oxford Twp, Reily Twp, and Milford Twp when it comes to vehicle accidents involving a bus..their procedures remain much the same with coordination directly with the district to utilize district communication tools and transportation resources. Hanover Twp protocols are a bit different, and they do not release students who have been safety checked for injuries back to the district...a parent must pick them up and sign the forms available. Recently TSD experienced this new protocol for the first time.

8. Items From the Board Members

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- Mr. Butterfield thanked everyone who ran for school board and congratulated the new board members. He asked Dr. Theroux to put videotaping BOE meetings on next month's agenda so if approved, it can be ready to go for January 2020 with BOE support.

9. Close of Meeting A. Future Board Events- December 16th

B. Adjournment- 9:12pm