

## **October 9, 2008 Open Session Minutes:**

Board members absent: Brunson and Bennett-Paul

The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm on October 9<sup>th</sup>

A motion was made by Armintrout to go into closed session and seconded by Marvin (5-0)

A motion was made by Armintrout and seconded by Bedolli to come out of closed session (5-0)

There were no visitors to speak to the Board of Education

A motion was made by Bedolli and seconded by Armintrout to approve the October 2008 agenda as presented (5-0)

Reports were given on our technology program. Information describing projects, usage and future goals were given

The bus report consisted on an update of our fleet. All buses are in good shape.

The Superintendents report covered meetings with the local Women's Club, an interview with the State Journal Registers Amanda Reavy. He also met with TRANE to discuss our maintenance plan.

Discussion followed about SASSED and what the future may look like with the possible decentralization and reduced number of co-op members.

The Board was updated on insurance claims pending

The District met with the fire Chiefs and personnel from all three towns to go over emergency plans as well as review the fire alarm run through that happened previously. A team of personnel attended the Roundtable to meet with State Supt Chris Koch. He spoke of testing issues the state is facing. He also stated that the State would grade themselves as they do a district in the future.

The Supt updated the Board on the checking account bank. The Board was updated on our % rate and the number of guaranteed months. Discussion was made about the possible switch of banking facilities but decided to remain for now but always have the option open for improving our financial stability.

The Principals reported ISAT scores, donations on milk, Pre-School donations of \$200 from Mr. and Mrs. Willis, fall parties and contest, reading enrichment programs, fire prevention as well as the annual parade of costumes on Halloween. The Board also received information about JH ISAT scores as well as HS PSAE scores. A discussion about meets vs. exceeds on State Tests. A report of our V Math program, where we were ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Nation during the previous month as well as a discipline report.

The annexation proceedings had no new information at the time

The SASSED update included a variety of scenarios as well as the direction the co-op is going towards developing a new SASSED to better fit the remaining districts.

The topic of home-schooled students and participation in athletic programs was discussed but no action was taken.

A discussion about a Pom-Pom squad was discussed but no action was taken to develop such a program at this time.

A motion was made by Marvin and seconded by Bedolli to continue the Reciprocal Reporting Agreement with the local authorities in all matters regarding Tri-City students. (5-0)

A motion was made by Marvin and seconded by Armintrout to raise the sub salary of our bus drivers to \$25. (5-0)

A motion was made by Bedolli and seconded by Armintrout to approve the recognition process by the State for our district (required by State) (5-0)

A motion was made by Armintrout and seconded by Marvin to continue the TRANE agreement for our heating and cooling systems (4-1) (Bedolli voting no)

A motion was made by Thompson and seconded by Armintrout to accept the resignation of Crystal Miller as girl's basketball coach (5-0)

A motion was made by Armintrout and seconded by Thompson to hire Stan Price and Kelly Hunt as the new girl's basketball coaches (5-0)

A motion was made by Armintrout and seconded by Thompson to hire Nancy Courtwright as a bus monitor (5-0)

A motion was made by Marvin and seconded by Bedolli to hire Brad Sturdy as the HS girl's softball coach (5-0)

A motion was made by Armintrout and seconded by Thompson to hire Shirley Gideon, Shannon Landholt and Gina Garlinghouse as Elementary aids (5-0)

A motion was made by Armintrout and seconded by Thompson to hire Heather Friedrich as a new elementary teacher (5-0)

A motion was made by Marvin and seconded by Bedolli to approve the consent agenda (5-0)

A motion was made by Armintrout and seconded by Thompson to adjourn the meeting (5-0)

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Board Secretary

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Board President