



**THREE RIVERS LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
December 8, 2015**

The Board of Education of the Three Rivers Local School District met for Regular Session at the Village of Addyston, Council Hall, 235 Main Street, Addyston, OH 45001.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Tim Wagner at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present Five. Mr. Murphy, Mr. Shuey, Ms. Stafford, Mr. Wagner, Ms. Wells  
Absent None.

**In Attendance:**

Mr. Craig Hockenberry, Superintendent	Mr. Don Larrick, TRES Principal
Ms. Chris Poetter, Treasurer	Ms. Holly Simms, Director of Special Services
Mr. Tom Bailey, Director of Operations	Ms. Lisa Whitely, Communications Coordinator
Ms. Mandy Bowen, Director of Curriculum	Mr. Larry Herges, Athletic Director
Ms. Megan Rivet, THS Principal	Ms. Gail Montague, Supt. Admin. Asst. and HR
Mr. Matt Haws, TMS Principal	Ms. Bonnie Berkemeyer, Food Services Coordinator

**Motion 154-15 Approve Minutes**

It was moved by Mr. Shuey, seconded by Ms. Wells to approve and dispense with the reading of the minutes for November 2, 2015 and November 16, 2015.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Mr. Murphy, Mr. Shuey, Ms. Stafford, Mr. Wagner, Ms. Wells.  
Nays, None.  
The president declared the motion carried.

Mr. Hockenberry thanked Mayor Pillow, the council members and the residents of Addyston for welcoming the Board to their community.

**Motion 155-15 Approve Superintendent Recommendations**

It was moved by Mr. Wagner, seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the following recommendations of the Superintendent:

**A. Recommend approval of the following revised Board Policies:**

EFFA	Nutrition Standards
EFG	Wellness Policy
JHCCB	Head Lice

**B. Recommend approval of job description for Elementary Principal per attached.**

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Mr. Murphy, Mr. Shuey, Ms. Stafford, Mr. Wagner, Ms. Wells.  
Nays, None.  
The president declared the motion carried.



Motion 156-15 Approve Chief Operating Officer Contract

It was moved by Mr. Shuey, seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve a three-year contract for *Tom Bailey* as Chief Operating Officer effective August 1, 2016 through July 31, 2019 per attached.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Mr. Murphy, Mr. Shuey, Ms. Stafford, Mr. Wagner, Ms. Wells.  
Nays, None.  
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 157-15 Approve Taylor High School Principal Contract

It was moved by Ms. Wells, seconded by Ms. Stafford to approve a three-year contract for *Megan Rivet* as Taylor High School Principal effective August 1, 2016 through July 31, 2019 per attached.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Mr. Murphy, Mr. Shuey, Ms. Stafford, Mr. Wagner, Ms. Wells.  
Nays, None.  
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 158-15 Approve Director of Special Education Contract

It was moved by Mr. Shuey, seconded by Mr. Wagner to approve a two-year contract for *Holly Simms* as Director of Special Education effective August 1, 2016 through July 31, 2018 per attached.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Mr. Murphy, Mr. Shuey, Ms. Stafford, Mr. Wagner, Ms. Wells.  
Nays, None.  
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 159-15 Approve Transportation Supervisor Contract

It was moved by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Ms. Wells to approve a two-year contract for *Angie Drew* as Transportation Supervisor effective August 1, 2016 through July 31, 2018 per attached.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Mr. Murphy, Mr. Shuey, Ms. Stafford, Mr. Wagner, Ms. Wells.  
Nays, None.  
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 160-15 Approve Athletic Director Contract

It was moved by Mr. Wagner, seconded by Mr. Shuey to approve a two-year contract for *Larry Herges* as Athletic Director effective August 1, 2016 through July 31, 2018 per attached.

Roll Call: Ayes, Four. Mr. Murphy, Mr. Shuey, Mr. Wagner, Ms. Wells.  
Nays, One. Ms. Stafford.  
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 161-15 Approve Superintendent Recommendations

It was moved by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Ms. Wells to approve the following recommendations of the Superintendent:

- H.** Recommend approval of athletic supplemental contracts for the following individuals for the 2015-2016 school year pending background checks and proper certification:

*Jeff Smith*

Track Assistant Coach – 5% stipend



Paul Sullivan  
Alexandra Catron

Track Assistant Coach – 5% stipend  
Girls Basketball Assistant Volunteer Coach

- I. Recommend acceptance of Resignation letter from *Craig Spite*, Taylor High Co-Principal, effective July 31, 2016.
- J. Request approval of FMLA for Katie Ryan, Taylor High Counselor, effective October 15, 2015 through January 1, 2016.

**Instructional**

- K. Recommend approval of a special education review by the HCESC of student services for Taylor High, Taylor Middle and Three-Rivers Elementary students.
- L. Recommend approval of a one year contract for *Paula Backscheider* as a Title I Student Support Tutor effective December 14, 2015 for the 2015-2016 school year pending background checks at \$15.00 per hour. 7 hours daily.

**Operational**

- M. Recommend approval of *James Roll* as a Sub Bus Driver In-Training effective December 9, 2015 pending background checks, proper certification, T-8 physical and behind-the-wheel training.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Mr. Murphy, Mr. Shuey, Ms. Stafford, Mr. Wagner, Ms. Wells.  
Nays, None.  
The president declared the motion carried.

**Motion 162-15 Approve November Financial Report**

It was moved by Mr. Wagner, seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the November Board Financial Report, Investments, Monthly Invoices and Monthly Bank Reconciliations per attached.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Mr. Murphy, Mr. Shuey, Ms. Stafford, Mr. Wagner, Ms. Wells.  
Nays, None.  
The president declared the motion carried.

**Motion 163-15 Acceptance of Donations**

It was moved by Ms. Wells, seconded by Mr. Wagner to approve the acceptance of donations to TRLS as listed:

Donation	Donor/Program
\$2,552.00	Elementary PTO for cafetorium risers
\$300.00	Jeff Hilgrove, Presidents Federal Credit Union for students in need

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Mr. Murphy, Mr. Shuey, Ms. Stafford, Mr. Wagner, Ms. Wells.  
Nays, None.  
The president declared the motion carried.



Motion 164-15 Establish January 12, 2016 for Organizational Meeting

It was moved by Mr. Wagner, seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the annual organizational meeting for January 12, 2016 at 6:00 pm.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Mr. Murphy, Mr. Shuey, Ms. Stafford, Mr. Wagner, Ms. Wells.  
Nays, None.  
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 165-15 Appoint President Pro Tempore for January 12, 2016 Meeting

It was moved by Mr. Wagner, seconded by Mr. Shuey to approve the appointment of Danette Wells as President Pro Tempore for the January 12, 2016 organizational meeting.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Mr. Murphy, Mr. Shuey, Ms. Stafford, Mr. Wagner, Ms. Wells.  
Nays, None.  
The president declared the motion carried.

Committee Reports

- A. Student Recognition and Announcements – Ms. Wells highlighted several students from Taylor High School. Those honored include: Abigal Neyer, Scott Hannum, Kaden Wells, Liam Pitzer, Colin Lysaght, Evelyn Richards, Samatha Simms, Madison Wells, Isabelle Murray, and Adam Bailey.

Marketing-Communications Report – Ms. Whitely presented her report in “Twas the Night Before” verse. She is starting the Same Page Committee and will meet with residents in locations throughout the district.

Presentations

- A. My years at Hitchens Elementary– Mr. Larrick shared his experiences from 21 years at Hitchens Elementary and 48 years at Three Rivers Local School District.
- B. Course Registration Guide – Mrs. Rivet reported on the changes and additions to the Taylor High School course guide.
- C. Technology Updates – Mr. Bailey reported on the updates to the district technology plan.

Committee Reports

- B. Finance – Mr. Murphy and Mr. Shuey reported that the audit is in process and going well. Perry & Associates is the independent public auditing company performing the audit. The phase out of the TPP-Business tax has begun as a result of the state budget bill. The \$1.4 million in annual revenue will be completely phased out by fiscal year 2020. The state legislature is preparing to introduce a bill that would eliminate Public Utility TPP-Generation taxes. This would cost the district 10% of the General Fund revenue.



C. Legislative – Ms. Stafford submitted the legislative report to the board via email.

**ESEA update**

Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). On Nov. 19, the House-Senate Conference Committee approved the reauthorization of ESEA, by a vote of 39-1. The House could vote on the bill Dec. 2-3 and the Senate could vote as early as Dec. 7. The most substantive change from the House-and Senate-passed ESEA bills is enhanced accountability. Below is a synopsis of the bill as

- **Replaces the AYP federal accountability system under current law with a comprehensive state-designed system that improves state capacity to identify and support struggling schools.**
- **Maintains annual, statewide assessments in reading and math in grades three and 12.**
- **Transfers responsibility to states for identifying schools and providing support for improvement in struggling schools.**
- **Improves accountability for learning outcomes for all students.**
- **Targets funds to at-risk children.**
- **Provides resources to states and school districts to implement various activities to support teachers, principals and other educators**
- **Supports at-risk populations.**
- **Authorizes the new Student Support and Academic Enrichment grant program to help states and local school districts target federal resources on local priorities to better serve disadvantaged students.**
- **Makes changes to the charter schools program by investing in new charter school models, as well as allowing for the replication and expansion of high-quality charter school models.**
- **Streamlines and reduces the number of existing federal programs**

**Additional Amendments**

- **Title I funding-** Authorizes the Institute of Education Sciences to study the Title I funding formula and report back to Congress.
- **Early childhood education programs-** Requires a study of federal investments in early childhood education that would yield information on how to make early education more efficient and effective.
- **Integrated curricula-** Expands the list of allowable activities in Title IV Academic Enrichment Grants (formerly 21<sup>st</sup> Century Schools) to improve integration of STEM subject and the arts, such as music and math, to support efforts for a well-rounded education.
- **Testing/assessments-** Clarifies that states and districts may set a targeted limit on testing and eliminate unnecessary and duplicative assessments. The measure would limit the overall amount of time students spend taking assessments and allow states and districts the flexibility to address the problem of over-testing.
- **Education technology/ student data privacy-** Allows for the use of professional development funds under Title IIA for training on the appropriate use of data.
- **Dropout prevention-** Increases dropout prevention efforts and offers greater support for student re-entry programs. Allows districts to use existing funds under the new Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants program to address dropout prevention.
- **Dual and concurrent enrollment programs-** Amends Title III on English Language Acquisition to facilitate opportunities for dual/concurrent enrollment as an allowable use of funds. Would enhance the offering of community college courses to English Language Learners, allowing students to graduate in five years with a high school diploma and advanced credentials.

Announcements

Mr. Hockenberry reminded everyone that the Board Organizational Meeting on January 12, 2016 would be at the district office.



### Hearing of the Public

Jan Rouse, Cleves, thanked Mr. Wagner for moving the district forward during his eight years on the board. She said he is a one of kind public servant who is willing to personally sacrifice his time for the betterment of our school district.

Dan Pillow and Addyston council members thanked Mr. Wagner for the sometimes difficult work he accomplished with them to reach an amiable result between the district and Addyston.

Mr. Wagner thanked everyone for their good wishes. He thanked the district residents and fellow board members for sharing one of the best experiences of his life.

### Old Business

None.

### New Business

- A. Farewell to Board President, Tim Wagner – Mr. Hockenberry presented Mr. Wagner with an engraved gavel. Ms. Wells said it was an honor and privilege to work with Mr. Wagner. She thanked him for his mentorship and patience. Mr. Shuey said he served with Mr. Wagner for eight years and appreciated his dedication and time given to the district – always going above and beyond. Mr. Murphy thanked Mr. Wagner for being a great mentor and asset to the district. Ms. Stafford responded with ditto to all of the above.

### Motion 166-15 Adjournment

Mr. Wagner declared the meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

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President, Three Rivers Board of Education

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Attest: Treasurer, Board of Education