



TALAWANDA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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December 2017- Board of Education Meeting Summary

1. Opening of Meeting

A. Roll Call

2. Executive Session

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3. Reconvene in Open Session

A. Approval of Agenda- **Approved 5-0**

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Welcome to Visitors and Public Participation

- **Holli Morrish reported that refreshments are available this evening to celebrate Mrs. Vollmer's years of service with the TSD Board of Education.**
- **Mike Dittman reported he is concerned about 4th and 5th grade readers. He is concerned that TSD is adding teachers to address concerns about these grade levels meeting state requirements. This concerns him because adding teachers increases costs, and he is concerned that the instructional process is the actual issue.**
- **Pat Meade shared concerns about the elimination of the Butler Technology Miami Connections program. He shared how in the past he has witnessed other programs that have been saved when parents have demonstrated support at public meetings. He wanted to support the Miami Connections program and shared how the program addresses at risk youth, and often these students do not have families that will come to meetings to speak up. He wanted to represent those students this evening and show his support for them and the program.**

4. Resolutions/Presentations

A. Energy Optimization Update - **A presentation from Heapy Engineering, TSD is currently experiencing 10-15% savings in usage at THS, equating to around \$40K in savings. Temperature comfort is a priority, they have discovered some construction issues, and are improving programming. During summer, obviously the program will show some peaks in savings due to less activity in the building.**

Some new opportunities:

- **LED lighting upgrades at Bogan & TMS**
- **Added district wide control systems (leverage Marshall project too)**
- **Assess remaining equipment/replacement**
- **Training for existing staff/maintenance**

- **On-call support in place**
- **Will take advantage of rebates available**

5. Reports

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

- **BT is conducting meetings at a variety of locations now, and last month hosted a meeting at the Natural Science Building.**
- **They had 193 applications last year, and this year 326 applications in November alone, and 1006 students came to a visit to the campus.**
- **They intend to unveil the new logo/brand this week.**
- **P&G visited campus to present career opportunities in STEM.**

B. Legislative Liaison Report - Dr. Roberts

- **Candice Keller, of District 53/state representative shared a letter to select school officials from around the state of Ohio to share information regarding information from her perspective. Dr. Roberts will be sharing Representative Keller’s contact information to be shared with faculty and community that may wish to contact Representative Keller- Rep53@ohiohouse.gov and 614-644-9094. Dr. Roberts would like to invite Representative Keller to the next TSD Community Advisory Meeting.**

6. Report of the Treasurer

A. Approval of Minutes- **Block A-G- Approved 5-0**

B. Approval of Gifts

Oxford LaRosa's	Marshall Elementary SOAR Program	\$1,320.00
Anonymous	Marshall Elementary - Settlement of Past Due Lunch Balances	\$100.00
Miami University/Community Federal Credit Union	Student Care Fund Annual Distribution	\$2,586.60

C. Approval of Financial Report for November 2017

D. Approval of Appropriation Modifications

E. Approval of Appropriation Increases/Decreases

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

G. Resolution to Approve Membership in OSBA's 2018 Legal Assistance Fund

H. Items for the Marshall Elementary Project- **Requested a conditional approval be granted regarding segment 2 activities of the state/Marshall building project, approval for the CFO to approve change orders. Approved 5-0**

I. Kramer Update- **TSD continues to move forward on final punch list items. There is movement on the change up of the defective projectors at Kramer.**

J. FY 2017 GAAP and Year-End Audit Update- **Management Letter- clean opinion on the financial statements of TSD.**

K. BHP Clinic Update- **"Care Here" to begin negotiations in the Butler Health Plan, in hopes of a September 1 open date. *A side note- there is an Anytime Fitness Challenge for employees that was shared with faculty and staff earlier today.**

L. Resolution to Approve 2018 IRS Mileage Reimbursement Rate- **Rate will now be 54.5 cents (increase of a penny). Approved 5-0**

M. Approval of President Pro-Tem for the 2018 Organizational Meeting- **Chris Otto will serve. Approved 5-0**

N. Other Matters- **Tax Reform Act- provisions in the bill that are not favorable to public schools continues to be a concern.**

7. Report of the Superintendent-

A. Certificated/Licensed Personnel- **Mrs. Spivey will resign effective July of 2018, and also a high school counselor's resignation. Mr. Butterfield complimented Mrs. Spivey on her leadership of TSD. Approved 5-0**

B. Approval of Classified Personnel- **BLOCK 7B-7C- Approved 5-0**

C. Approval of Supplemental Personnel- **Dr. Crowder complimented the work of Mrs. Brown.**

D. Two-Year Calendar Proposal - Draft 1 & 2- **The BOE will review calendar options with the hopes of approving final calendars in February of 2018.**

E. Commemoration of School Facilities - **Wilhelm Athletic Facility- Visuals were available on the screen of potential signage, and a follow-up discussion will take place during January & February 2018.**

F. Informational Items-

- **Mrs. Spivey mentioned the many needs in schools related to families living in poverty.**
- **Mrs. Spivey reported that admins, SRO's, and select city officials participated in a conflict resolution training.**
- **Meetings with key TSD personnel are reviewing protocols in place with mental health issues and the support available in the district. There is a desire in the district to continue to focus on suicide prevention.**
- **TSD preschool recently won an award- high quality 5 star award!**
- **The state of Ohio now has funding available that can be applied to for full-day kindergarten. There is a need in pockets in the district.**

8. Items From the Board Members-

- **Mrs. Vollmer shared we have a preschool student recently diagnosed with cancer, and the district will see what support can be provided to the family.**

A. Discussion of January Work Session on Board Operations

B. Approval of Revisions to Treasurer's Contract- **Changes include...provides a one year contract extension, a vehicle allowance, and 5 additional paid work days.**

C. Items From the Board Members- **Thank you to Mrs. Vollmer for her service. Mrs. Vollmer shared her joys and concerns.**

9. Close of Meeting

A. Future Board Events- **January 8, 2018, February 26, 2018**

B. Adjournment- **8:52pm**