

**Taylor Community School Corporation
Taylor Board Room
Wednesday, March 8, 2023
Regular School Board Meeting Minutes
5:30 PM**

Board Members Present:

Dennis Marler
Bill Brubaker
Jennifer Bogue
Dennis Bentzler
Shawn Haus

Administration and Central Office Staff Present:

Christopher Smith, Superintendent
Melinda Overholser, Recorder
Rena Adams, Treasurer
Steve Stiner, Maintenance Director
Matt Ward, Asst. Maintenance Director
Pat Bernotas, Director of Technology
Audrey Wunderlich, Special Education Director
Tony Oliver, Transportation Director
Paula Bolin, Director of Food Service
Steve Dishon, THS Principal
Jake Leicht, TMS/THS Athletic Director
Heather Hord, TMS Principal
Matt Brankle, TMS Assistant Principal
Brandon Gleason, TES Assistant Principal

Others Present:

See attached list

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

The regular school board meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM in the Taylor Board Room located at 3750 East 300 South, Kokomo, Indiana. Mr. Marler opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

III. Recognition of Visitors

There were no comments or questions from the visitors.

IV. General Obligation Bonds – Bus Acquisition

A. Public Hearing on Additional Appropriation of GO Bond Proceeds

Opportunity Given- no comments from visitors.

B. Consideration of Bond Resolution

Mr. Haus moved to approve the bond resolution. Mr. Bentzler seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

C. Consideration of Additional Appropriation Resolution

Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the Additional Appropriation Resolution as presented. Mrs. Bogue seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

V. Building Project Proposed Financing

A. 1028 Public Hearing on Proposed Project

Opportunity Given- There were no comments from the visitors.

B. Consideration of 1028 Project Resolution

Mr. Haus moved to approve the 1028 project resolution. Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

C. Consideration of Resolution Approving Form of Amendment to Lease

Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the resolution approving form of amendment to lease. Mrs. Bogue seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

VI. Adoption of Consent and Regular Agenda

Mr. Brubaker made a motion to accept the regular agenda and consent agenda as presented. Mr. Haus seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

V. Consent Agenda

Items on the Consent Agenda:

A. Consideration of Approval of the School Board Meeting Minutes

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B. Consideration of Approval of the Claims

C. Consideration to Include Recognitions/Information Items in Official Minutes

D. Consideration of Approval of the Personnel Items

1. Resignations

- a. Dustina Johnson, TMS/THS Custodian
- b. Stacie Kivett, THS/TMS Head Custodian
- c. Jessica Beck, THS FACS Teacher
- d. Matthew Newby, Technology Aide
- e. Nicholas Shafer, Bus Aide

2. Employment Recommendations

a. TES

1. Christina Newlin, ECA Treasurer
2. Christina Newlin, TES Yearbook Sponsor
3. Kathryn Doty, Reading Intervention Specialist

b. THS

1. Christina Knosp, Secretary

c. Transportation

1. David Long, Transportation Department Consultant

d. Custodial

1. Stacie Kivett, TMS/THS Head Custodian
2. Chasson McCormack, Interim Head Custodian

e. Athletics

1. Tim Weeks, Varsity Boys Track Coach
2. Ryan McKay, Softball Volunteer Coach
3. Shaelah Eliason, Softball Volunteer Coach

VIII. Information and Recognitions

A. Financial Reports, Including Biannual ECA Reports

The financial reports will be filed, subject to audit.

IX. New Business

A. Consideration of Renewal of Property and Casualty Insurance

Mr. Haus moved to approve the renewal of the property and casualty insurance as presented. Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

B. Consideration of Donation Request to the Cafeteria

Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the donation request to the cafeteria. Mrs. Bogue seconded the motion. Paula Bolin spoke about the large donation that paid off all of the lunch account debt. This donation was made in memory of Justin Grant. Motion passed 5-0.

C. Consideration of Bond Issue for Deputy Treasurer April Cox

Mr. Haus moved to approve the bond issue for Deputy Treasurer April Cox. Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

D. Consideration of Updated Job Descriptions

1. Middle School and High School Assistant Principals

Mr. Haus moved to approve the middle and high school assistant principal job description as presented. Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion 5-0.

2. TMS/THS Head Custodian

Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the head custodian job description as presented. Mrs. Bogue seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

3. Assistant Maintenance Director

Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the Assistant Maintenance Director job description as presented. Mrs. Bogue seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

4. TES STEM/Computer Science Aide

Mr. Haus moved to approve the updated job descriptions and associated pay as listed and presented. Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

E. Consideration of Berry COMM Ground Lease

Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the Berry COMM Ground Lease as presented. Mr. Haus seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

F. Consideration of Contract Driver Bus Contract 2 Year Extension

Mr. Haus moved to approve the contract driver bus contract 2-year extension as presented. Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

G. Consideration of Transfer of Elementary ECA Funds

Mr. Brubaker moved to transfer of Elementary ECA Funds as presented. Mrs. Bogue seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

H. Consideration for Permission to Apply for the 1003 Waiver for TES

Mr. Brubaker moved to approve of permission to apply for the 1003 Waiver for TES. Mr. Bentzler seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

I. Consideration for Permission to Apply for the 1003 Waiver for TMS/THS

Mr. Haus moved to approve of permission to apply for the 1003 Waiver for TMS/THS as presented. Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

J. Consideration of New High School Course, 1570 Geography & History of the World

Mr. Brubaker moved to approve the new high school course, 1570 Geography and History of the World. Heather Hord explained the need for this course. Mr. Haus seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

K. Consideration of Separation Agreement

Mr. Haus moved to approve the Separation Agreement as presented. Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Other Information:

Chris spoke on Taylor's focus on learning, he is proud to be a Titan.

The lack of sub teachers is still a big crisis for our school corporation. The admin team and discussables team met to try to formulate a plan to have teachers help on their prep period.

X. The next regular school board meeting will be Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 5:30 PM in the Taylor Board Room.

IX. Adjournment

With no other business, Mr. Haus moved to adjourn the March board meeting. Mr. Brubaker seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:17 PM.

Dennis L. Marler, President

Jennifer Bogue, Secretary