

Minutes of the March 19, 2024 Regular Meeting of the Tecumseh Local Board of Education

March 19, 2024

The Tecumseh Local Board of Education met in regular session on March 19, 2024 with Board President Sue Anne Martin presiding. Ms. Martin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Tecumseh High School Arrow Conference Room 9830 W. National Rd., New Carlisle, Ohio 45344.

Roll Call: Present — Members Martin, Stafford, Clark, Diller, and Mills.
Absent — None.

Ms. Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Ms. Martin recognized guests in the audience.

Minutes of Previous Meetings

Motion by Mr. Mills and second by Mrs. Clark to approve the minutes of the February 20, 2024 Regular Meeting, February 23, 2024 Special Meeting, and March 8, 2024 Special Meeting as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes, Members Mills, Clark, Diller, Stafford, and Martin.
Nays, none. Motion carried 5-0.

Communications

Communications – None at this time.

Reports – None at this time.

Public Comments Pertaining to the Agenda – None at this time.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR - PERSONNEL

Motion by Mr. Stafford and second by Mr. Diller:

Resignation - Certified

Lisa Moon, English Teacher at Tecumseh High School. Effective at the end of the 2023-2024 school year. Reason - Retirement.

Roger Culbertson, Physical Education Teacher at Tecumseh High School.
Effective at the end of the 2023-2024 school year. Reason - Retirement.

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Resignations – Classified

Dawn Medve, Evening Custodian at Donnelsville Elementary School and Medway Elementary School. Effective March 15, 2024. Reason - Personal.

Employment – Certified

to approve the employment of the following individuals for the 2024-2025 school year, as presented.

Gwendolyn Chappell, Music Teacher at New Carlisle Elementary School and Park Layne Elementary School. Effective August 14, 2024. Step 0, Class 1 - \$38,315.

Employment – Classified

to approve the employment of the following individuals for the 2022-2023 school year, as presented.

None at this time.

Employment – Substitute – Classified 2023-2024

to approve the individuals listed below to be employed as a substitute on an as-needed basis for the 2023-2024 school year, as presented.

Carla Grout
Hanna Haddix

Danny Elam
Jacob Ross

Christina Erbacchi
Emme Smith

Employments – Supplemental - Athletic

Assistant Softball Coach - Courtney Scott
Assistant Varsity Track - Erich Bledsoe
Middle School Track - Leslie Budding
Middle School Track - Melissa Willardson

Termination of Probationary Contract

to approve the termination of the probationary contract for Garrett Powell, Evening Custodian at Tecumseh High School and Tecumseh Middle School, effective February 23, 2024.

Class Change

to approve a class change for Amy Perkins:

From Class I, Step 2 to Class II, Step 2, retroactive to the beginning of the 23/24 contract year.

Unpaid Leave

to approve the following individuals for unpaid leave/dock days:

| <u>Staff Member</u> | <u>Payroll Date</u> | <u>Number of Days</u> |
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| Jessica Bozarth | 2/20/24 | 0.5 days |

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| Jessica Bozarth | 3/5/24 | 2.25 days |
| Kristi Ryles | 3/5/24 | 5 days |

Employment - Home Instruction 2023-2024

to employ the following individual for the purpose of home instruction, as needed, for specific students at the rate of \$29.77 per hour. Home instruction services will not exceed 5 hours per week for any one student unless required by law.

Stacy Blackburn

Roll Call: Ayes, Members Stafford, Diller, Mills, Clark, and Martin.
Nays, none. Motion carried 5-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Staff Appreciation Week / Teacher Appreciation Day

Motion by Mr. Mills to recognize the week of May 6-10, 2024 as Staff Appreciation Week. All Tecumseh staff will be celebrated throughout the week. In addition, April 24, 2024 recognizes administrative professionals. May 7, 2024 is Teacher Appreciation Day; the following resolution designates Teacher Appreciation Day in our community.

Teacher Appreciation Day Resolution

WHEREAS, today's teachers mold our future citizens through their guidance and education, and

WHEREAS, today's teachers encounter students of widely differing backgrounds and abilities, and

WHEREAS, our society expects public education to provide quality education services to all children, no matter what their backgrounds or abilities, and

WHEREAS, our country's future depends, in large measure, upon the education our youth receive today, and

WHEREAS, teachers are charged with the daunting task of ensuring that no child is left behind by our public schools, and

WHEREAS, teachers spend countless hours outside their classrooms preparing lessons, evaluating progress, counseling and coaching students, and performing community service, and

WHEREAS, the Tecumseh Local School District recognizes that its teachers are providing quality educational services to our children,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT May 7, 2024 is ***Teacher Appreciation Day*** in the Tecumseh Local School District.

We urge all citizens to join us in recognizing the dedication and hard work of our teachers.

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Second by Mr. Diller

Roll Call: Ayes, Members Mills, Diller, Clark, Stafford, and Martin.
Nays, none. Motion carried 5-0.

ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR - FINANCIAL

Motion by Mr. Stafford and second by Mr. Mills:

Financial Reports

to review and approve the financial reports for February 2024.

Fund Advances

to approve the following as presented:

Negative fund balances covered by unencumbered general fund balance February 29, 2024.

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| 001-0000 | \$212,823.97 |
| 505-9024 | (\$160.70) |
| 507-9322 | (\$61,342.00) |
| 516-9024 | (\$57,358.92) |
| 536-9024 | (\$312.81) |
| 551-9024 | (\$11,060.34) |
| 572-9024 | (\$57,128.08) |
| 572-9824 | (\$8,438.52) |
| 584-9024 | (\$5,933.50) |
| 584-9924 | (\$2,450.00) |
| 590-9024 | (\$8,639.10) |

This information is to notify the Board of Education and show there are sufficient funds in the general funds to cover the negative grant funds.

Amend Estimated Resources and Appropriations

to amend estimated resources and appropriations, as presented.

Southwest Ohio EPC Master Supply Agreement

to approve the following resolution, as presented:

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF COMPETITIVE RETAIL ELECTRIC SERVICE FOR THE BILLING PERIOD COMMENCING WITH THE DECEMBER 2024 BILLING CYCLE AND TERMINATING NO LATER THAN THE DECEMBER 2027 BILLING CYCLE.

WHEREAS, the School District is a member of the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council (the "EPC"), a body authorized by state statute to aggregate purchasing needs of schools and of related nonprofit educational entities so as to take advantage of economies of scale when purchasing essential products and services;

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WHEREAS, the EPC previously conducted a public bid process pursuant to which it received bids from competitive retail electric service providers that are certificated by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (“PUCO”) to engage in competitive retail electric service;

WHEREAS, the EPC selected Interstate Gas Supply LLC, (formerly known as Interstate Gas Supply, Inc.) (“IGS Energy” or “Supplier”) as it’s endorsed competitive retail electric service provider; and

WHEREAS, the EPC and IGS Energy have negotiated a 2024 Master Supply Agreement that this School District may elect to enter into with IGS Energy at its sole discretion.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TECUMSEH LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, COUNTY OF CLARK, STATE OF OHIO, as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Education of this School District does hereby authorize the Superintendent or the Superintendent’s designee to execute the 2024 Master Supply Agreement between the School District and IGS Energy.

Section 2. The Board of Education hereby directs the Treasurer to review the 2024 Master Supply Agreement and determine if the School District has sufficient funds to certify this resolution and, if the Treasurer so finds, to certify this resolution.

This is an enabling agreement only. The EPC will lock in the best price for all school districts at a later date.

Donations

to accept the following donation made to Tecumseh Local Schools.

| <u>Donor</u> | <u>Purpose</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| Donnelsville Elementary | Ivan Gehret Fundraiser - TEF | 1,255 |
| Springfield Clark County USBC | THS Bowling | 50 |
| Heritage of Flight | THS Choir | 100 |
| Arrows Parent Nation | Mini-Grant - Nicole White | 150 |
| Gary & Jayne Chastain | THS Musical | 500 |

EPC Bus Purchase

to approve the purchase of a new 72-passenger conventional school bus, at the purchase price of \$135,585.00 from the Permanent Improvement Fund. The purchase was obtained through the EPC Bus Bid process.

Dayton Area School Application System Consortium

to approve participation in the Dayton Area School Application System Consortium coordinated through the Montgomery County Educational Service Center for fiscal year 2025 at a cost of \$11,455.59. The cost last year was \$10,756.42.

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Nays, none. Motion carried 5-0.

ROTC Roof Replacement

Mr. Stafford moved to approve the replacement of the roof over the ROTC area of Tecumseh High School by TruCraft Roofing. The cost of the new roof will be \$176,225. The cost for this project will be paid from Permanent Improvement Funds.

Second by Mr. Diller.

Roll Call: Ayes, Members Stafford, Diller, Clark, and Martin.
Nays, none. Abstain, Member Mills. Motion carried 4-0.

Urgent Necessity

Mr. Mills moved to approve the purchase of a domestic hot water storage tank at Park Layne Elementary School by Advanced Mechanical. The cost of the new storage tank is \$20,080. The cost for this project will be paid from the Classroom Facilities Maintenance Fund.

Second by Mr. Stafford.

Roll Call: Ayes, Members Mills, Stafford, Diller, and Martin.
Nays, none. Abstain, Member Clark. Motion carried 4-0.

ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR - INSTRUCTIONAL

Motion by Mr. Stafford and second by Mr. Mills:

Out-of-State / Overnight Field Trip - AFJROTC

to approve the following out-of-state overnight summer educational activity requested by Tecumseh High School AFJROTC Instructor Major Couch, as presented.

JROTC Summer Trip
Universal Studios
Comfort Inn & Suites
7495 Canada Ave, Orlando FL 32819
4 – 6 June, 2024

Tecumseh High School AFJROTC is requesting permission to travel to Orlando Florida (via Air Flight) on 4 June 2024 and will return on 6 June 2024. As of now, we plan to take approximately 25-30 Cadets, 2 Instructors, 1 Nurse, and 2 other Chaperones. The total cost for each cadet for this camp is ONLY \$275.00. This total price includes: Roundtrip airfare, rental vans (driven only by the 2 Instructors when we arrive in Orlando), hotel, all park entry fees, and all meals (breakfast, lunch, and dinner).

Out-of-State / Overnight Field Trip

to approve a parent meeting to begin the exploratory phase for a potential trip to Peru in the summer of 2025, July 15-23. This trip is being spearheaded by Ms. Annalyse Dissinger, English Teacher. The trip would be offered to all students in grades 9-12.

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Roll Call: Ayes, Members Martin, Diller, Mills, Clark, and Stafford.
Nays, none. Motion carried 5-0.

ATHLETICS

None at this time.

POLICY

None at this time.

Planning and Discussion

Reports:

- **Susan Wile and DeAnna Gehret** - **Susan Wile** - Well, I was going to say that we are here to report on. We're actually supposed to have a meeting that gives the public an opportunity to give input on how we expend our funds that we receive from the federal government. So this gives them an opportunity to see how we are spending it, and then if they have any input, they can give it. So we've shared with you guys, you can see DeAnna put this handout together where you can see how many federal funds she is working with. **DeAnna Gehret** - This sheet is just an explanation of the different grants and then what building that grant pertains to. And then the other sheet breaks down, tells you our funds for each grant, and then the breakdown of those funds. If you look through it, you'll see the majority going to salaries and benefits, which Susan will have a comment on that. **Susan Wile** - We just completed our in-person fiscal audit with the state, and Denise, DeAnna, and I were all a part of that. I think you were there, too, Paula. And the reviewer was very complimentary of how we expended our special education funds and said that the salaries and benefits was a great way for us to expend those funds and was also very complimentary of how much we had spent the funds down. So he felt we'd done a nice job with the management of those funds. And again, I compliment these ladies on that. **Denise Robinson** - And actually, I had put something in the board update from last week about the same thing and gave kudos to the two of you for that, also, because they are very impressed with the handling of these and the documentation. It's unbelievable, the documentation that we have to have, that we have to upload and explain. And he really said that we were top notch on all that. So kudos to them as well for that. **Paula Crew** - And also just, I wanted to chime in there as well. Mrs. Gehret, you took over as federal grants coordinator in 2015, or 16, I believe, or 14 a little bit ago, **DeAnna Gehret** - Well, I started out, I was a Title I Teacher half day and Title I Coordinator the other half. Then I became just Title I Coordinator. Then I was Title I Coordinator and Migrant. And then it just kept growing and growing. **Susan Wile** - And now, she is all of these. **Paula Crew** - . But I wanted to share that when she started, she had three grants, three grants, and she oversees a lot of money. So we appreciate that. **DeAnna Gehret** - So you'll notice, some of the grants, it says non public. So our non public inside our district area is Guiding Shepherd. So Guiding Shepherd can qualify for some of our funds if they have our students attending their

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school with needs like Title I needs or special ed needs. So you will see non public on there a few times, and that is Guiding Shepherd.

Susan Wile - And we have to consult with them and work with them on getting those funds spent on ways that they're allowed to be appropriated and make sure that all that is done correctly as well. And a lot of documentation goes for those monies that go to the non public as well. So I just want to say, too, I think it was last year we had the big comprehensive audit, or was it the year before? And so the comprehensive audit that the state did as well, they checked on every single one of these grants, and we had to come up with a lot of documents. **Denise Robinson** - And when you do that for the Ohio Department of Education, that has nothing to do with our financial audit. That's a whole separate audit that also audits these programs. So we're audited several times on the same program, multiple years in a row. **Susan Wile** - It was a very good audit. And those are the things that we talked, when we talk about some of the professional development that is required and all of that, those are the documents they come to DeAnna and I, and ask for, like, show us how you have done these things that you are supposed to do under these grants. That was good. **DeAnna Gehret** - Yes. And some of the things like the family involvement here, where there was a STEM night, and we were able to use one of our grants to cover the material for the STEM night. So please reach out if you ever have any questions on any of our grants. **Sue Anne Martin** - I have a question about the non public. So when you send, for instance, for Title I A, improving basic programs for reading and math, when you send over 2% of the \$793,000, how is that 2% spent? **DeAnna Gehret** - So it is spent on services. So we contract with the Clark County ESC, and they will send one of their staff members there to provide Title I services. And then also their funds will be spent on professional development, supplies for professional development, instructional supplies, family involvement supplies. So where we spend 92% of that money, we spend 92% of that money on salary and benefits, they are not. True statement? **DeAnna Gehret** - Correct. **Sue Anne Martin** - Thank you. Okay. Thank you. Anybody else?

- **Paula Crew** - I'm going to turn it over to Mr. Dixon and Deputy Loney. But first, I wanted to give them kudos. Today was voting in our buildings at the high school in Donnelsville, and Park Layne, and they stationed themselves. Deputy Loney, you were here. And Deputy Dillon was at Park Layne. And we hired a deputy to be at Donnellsville, because on those voting days, we have so many people. Not as many as we thought today, though. There was not a huge turnout today, at least in our building. So kudos. And I know, Brian, you helped with that plan and you helped cover other buildings that they weren't in today. So thank you for going above and beyond today to make our students and staff. I actually had a staff member walking in here when I was coming to Rotary today who saw a person leaving the restroom who was a polling volunteer, and she said, that makes me nervous. I said, look right around the corner. And she did. And you were standing down there. I said, yeah, Deputy Looney is going to be there all day. So that made our staff feel a lot better, I think too, knowing that. **Deputy Loney** - One of the poll workers from Donnelsville was very complimentary. **Brian Dixon** - They looked at it as we were protecting them. I looked at it as a little bit of both. So now, just kind of going into my stuff. We're busy preparing for summer. A

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lot of projects and things. One of those projects that we're going to have over the next few months is going to be using ESSER money to make some upgrades, start security in the athletic building. Installation of fob systems are going to be put in there to where teachers or staff or coaches that need to be in there, instead of having a key, they'll be able to use their fob to get in and out of there. It just limits those keys getting in the wrong hands. So that's a good thing. With that, that will allow us to be able to track that access through the S2 System, which is similar to what we do at the buildings each day. So we also are going to look at rekeying portions of the building on the inside. Again, it's just for safety upgrades with that. Thanks to DeAnna, she was able to write that into the ESSER funding that we have as we work to spend those final dollars. Over spring break, pending weather, we're hoping to redirect a fence around the pond. This is going to allow a cross country team to expand their track in the fall, high school classes to have more access to different parts of the pond. So we're looking forward to that. The next board meeting, you'll probably see me bring a list of summer help that we would like to hire for the summer. Those traditionally have been college students that are back in town who want to pick up some extra hours. We obviously have a lot of projects and a lot of grass that continues to mow, as well as a lot of cleaning inside buildings that they will take part in that. Deputy Loney, Deputy Dillon and I worked with individuals from the Ohio Safety Center on March 6th to plan a reunification day, which would take place on August 15th. We're still kind of hammering out some details with that, but we're anxious because that'll give us an opportunity to train all the staff in the district, everybody from teachers and administrators to custodians, support staff, bus drivers, and everybody in between. So that'll be an important, hopefully, probably morning for that. And then we recently received a safety grant. With the help of Deputy Loney, the district secured another safety grant through the Attorney General's office. This grant was for over \$12,000, and it will provide more ballistics-proof protection to some of our windows in the district. The contractor installing this is Safe Haven. Scott Norris, who is one of the partners in the company, is a Tecumseh graduate. They've made some in kind donations for window protections over the past couple years. And as a district, we look forward to having more of this that we're able to secure through a grant. I'd love to tell you where it's at, but I won't because that's part of the safety. **Roger Diller** - Window protection. What are we talking about? **Brian Dixon** - Film that goes over top of windows that makes it more holistic. Questions about any of that? **Matt Mills** - Nothing on that. Just something previously have the wands had a positive effect and deterring student behavior? **Brian Dixon** - So we've had some success with that. **Matt Mills** - Great. **Brian Dixon** - Success with that, I think mostly at the high school. Maybe a couple of incidents at the middle school. **Matt Mills** - Awesome. **Paula Crew** - It's also been nice to use, I just used it in an expulsion hearing this morning with a student. Although he's allowed to come back, his expulsion is being held in abeyance pending random checks of his body and bag with the wand. And they have to agree to that before they can come back for a second try in school. And that has seemed to deter a little bit, the students at the high school. **Aaron Oakes** - I think word is getting out. Between that and the cameras and the big screen TV in my office, they're starting to figure it out. **Matt Mills** - It's great. Awesome. Thank you. **Deputy Loney** - Just, again, kudos to everybody for the election

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day. I know that can be a flip of coin of how things are going to go, but everything went well. Deputy Dillon just texted me and said he just cleared Park Layne. I know the polls are still open, but our main concern was our latchkey kids there. They're all gone.. Every student is gone from there. The poll workers there now. But just real quick, want to hit on the solar eclipse is coming up. We talked about things that are going to be going on in this county. They're expecting the population to double here in Clark county. And the one thing that we talked about is protecting our assets here at Tecumseh. With the recent storms, Mr. Dixon just told me today that Indian Lake, that was a prime spot for people. But with what happened there just a couple of days ago, the tornadoes, people are going to fall back down 75 and they're going to try and fit in where they can. If they can't be up there in Logan County and the counties up north. But the biggest thing is protecting what we have here. We have millions of dollars in busses and equipment sitting over there. We don't know what's going to happen. Are people going to come in early? Are we going to come in here Monday? And this look like a complete... where people were just parked with campers and all that. We don't know. So we had a meeting with my supervisor, Sergeant Lehman, and with Paula and Brian. Nick and I are working, but our job that day will be here and protecting what our assets here, making sure people aren't sneaking on the football field, the things to protect stuff here. Luckily, deputy Yates's basketball tournament is on the 6th and that usually will fill the parking lot. So hopefully people deter people. But yeah, we're anticipating the worst, but hoping and praying for the best. But again, we don't know what people will do. **Brian Dixon** - And the goal is to secure the stadium. So we have ways of locking that. A little bit of the concern, though, is people accessing the soccer fields and the baseball fields. We do need to have that area open because we have kids feeding livestock in the FFA barn, which kind of presents a little bit of a challenge. But we've had some conversations. We're going to try to secure that area, have a gate swings open that we ask kids to close. But when we show up on Monday morning, we may have to run some people off and we'll do that as needed. **Deputy Loney** - And the way it's predicting, the state highway patrol is mandatory to everybody and no troopers are off. And I think that's the same way it's going to be with the sheriff's office. Everybody's going to be mandatory to work unless you're on approved leave. So the sheriff's office will have everybody. The state patrol is predicting like 70 and 75. Just stopping. They're predicting people just to stop in the middle of the interstates and get out and watch it. They're trying to get the word out not to do that, but they're wanting you to have several days of food, you know. And it's not that we're going to be short, it's just that the influx of people coming into Clark county are going to take up, you know their gas tank. So we just got, Mr. Dixon and I were eating dinner together and we got a thing from OSP, so I sent him. So it's ever changing again. We want people to come if you want to come, but also you need to be respectful of the property here. And this isn't a dumping site for trash and all that. So that's what Deputy Dillon and I will be focusing on that Monday of it. **Brenda Clark** - Are there softball or baseball games that day? **Paula Crew** - We've canceled everything that day. **Sue Anne Martin** - So can I throw a wrinkle? If we're going to be here on Saturday for the basketball, people may drive by and think, oh, that's a place I can park. They may not. So I'm wondering if Sunday would be a day to come and scatter people as well. **Brian Dixon** - We're

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certainly not going to kick people off of our parking lots out there unless they're doing something they shouldn't be doing. Paula Crew - But we just don't want them at the barn. We don't want them in the stadium. They can be in the parking lot. Deputy Loney - And we've talked. We're going to move some pieces around here that will deter that to where they know well, we can't get back there. Sue Anne Martin - Park a bus. Deputy Loney - Exactly. We have several busses that can block vans that can block it. Sue Anne Martin - Thank you. It's just crazy. The whole thing is crazy.

- Paula Crew - Thank you so much. Thanks for your work on April 8th, too. I had that on my notes to talk about with you as well. A reminder, that's our professional development day that we shifted from April 10th to April 8th so that not only our students could remain home, but our staff could remain home as well. Except for essential personnel that Brian's working with to be here to help with the traffic and different things like that. We did receive solar glasses from the Clark county combined health for every student and for you. But I left them at the office, so I'll get them to you. All of our staff members. And we do have extra at the office. That was nice that we received that free of charge from them. So we will have professional development that day. It'll be virtual. Again, our staff, we don't want our staff to be here and worry about everything stopping either. So they'll be doing their professional development at home. They'll be done in time to enjoy the beginning and the culmination of the eclipse that day, especially since I think they said it's over 200 years until it happens again. I know a few of you I saw at the musical I went on Friday night. It took place Friday, Saturday and Sunday. It was absolutely outstanding. It was James and the Giant Peach. And our students were absolutely amazing. Kudos to Melissa Willerton, Justin Hoke, all the behind the scenes and parent volunteers. It was a hoot. It was a great musical. We do have a first grade program. I haven't heard them. I'm surprised we can't hear them from in here, happening right now in the auditorium. So if we're done by seven, you can go watch the first grade program, too. We do have spring break next week in our district and that goes through next Monday. And then I believe you all receive this. But I just wanted to remind you that the 2024 Hall of Honor takes place on April 13 and you're all invited. In fact, everyone's invited to the Hall of Honor. It's in the auditorium at 2:00 p.m. And several of you are on the Hall of Honor committee with Brian and I. Our inductees this year are Dr. David Farley, Mrs. Evelyn Harness, who's a retired teacher from Tecumseh Local Schools, Mr. Brian Heck, who's a graduate of Tecumseh Local Schools and Springfield City Manager now for a couple years, and Mr. James Truxel. So that'll be nice to have them inducted into the Hall of Honor. Look at that. And that's all I had. Any questions for any of us? *There were no further questions.*

Comments and Questions from Board Members

- **Mr. Stafford** – nothing at this time.
- **Mr. Diller** - nothing at this time

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- **Mrs. Clark** - I was going to talk about James and Giant Peach was really cute. I went to that Friday evening and then I really enjoyed it. Have we talked about the board tours already? No, I had a ball. We got to ride in the new little busses. That was so exciting. We got to see the big busses and inside all their technology and how they can see it back at the hub. And it was just phenomenal seeing all of it. I love Foundations. I don't know, I could just go on. It was really very enlightening. I was excited to do that.
- **Mr. Mills** - A couple of things I'd like to second what Mrs. Clark said. That was my second opportunity to participate in board tours. Loved it. It's a great time. Really nice to see our staff and our students and work actually throughout the day. I did not have an opportunity to attend, but my wife and my kids absolutely loved STEM night at New Carlisle Elementary. We had our committee meetings the same day. So great, awesome use of our resources and really well put together. So kudos to that. Just a quick blurb. It is election day. CTC's levy is on the ballot, so don't forget to vote. And just one more follow up comment about the school's priority and safety. I really appreciate the notification that we got over the potential issue over the weekend. Just the fact that the staff pays attention to that and was working at all hours to make sure our students are safe. I really appreciate that. And that's it.
- **Ms. Martin** - Thank you. And for me, I would like to apologize for missing the board visits. It is one of two of my favorite days and this year it just did not work, which made me very sad. So I am the person that the rest of the board usually leaves behind because I get involved in something or I'm reading a book or I'm sitting on the floor. And so I was disappointed that my day did not work out the way I wanted it to. I also did not make it to the musical, but have only heard wonderful things about how much fun it was. Well put together. I love the tribute to Pat Chastain. Yes, I loved that. That was very thoughtful. So yeah, good work. I love when we have such great things happening at Tecumseh Local. It's really a lot of fun. So I also wanted to share and seeing that Mrs. Harness was going to be inducted into Hall of Honor reminded me of a small side note. Terah Harness is a graduate of Tecumseh and she's playing in the women's NCAA tournament on Friday she's with Marshall. **Jon Stafford** - Awesome. She's gotten better and better and better. **Sue Anne Martin** - They were phenomenal. I had the opportunity to see them when they played Wrihgt State. I went down and saw them play against Wright State. I was cheering for the wrong team. It was quite funny, but they're just doing great. I know that there's a contingent of folks that are hoping to pack up and go down on Friday. Tickets are already sold out, so I was very excited that she is living out a dream and it's really kind of fun to see.

Public Comments

- **Paula Fugate** - As all of you know, I am volunteering during middle school lunches, and it has been quite an experience. I will say that Mrs. McFarland, Mr. Hauf more than had their hands full. Of course, six, 7th and eighth are not the most easy of the grades for anybody in the 8th. But what I would like to do, and I have changed my wording from what it was going to originally be. I would like to invite. And you will have to excuse me,

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Brenda, but this is because you are too well known. I would like to invite each board member to come and work lunch with me and see what two people running a room full of 6th, 7th, and 8th graders are putting up with. Now, granted, when Mrs. McFarland or Mr. Hauf or both are in the room, it is much better. But there are many days where they're not available because they're either in meetings or they're having to cover a class. Um, all I can go back to is I wouldn't have sat down for six months with what some of these children try to pull. And I'm not blaming it on the teachers or the school. Don't get me wrong. Unfortunately, the majority of our kids today don't have parents that parent. And they don't have consequences and definitely need consequences. I was teasing two boys today and told them I was going to start my own ALC class, which would be much different, but they knew I was teasing because we were joking. But really, I'd like you to see the throwing of apples, throwing of carrots, throwing of oranges, whatever, screaming, no matter how many times you tell them to keep their voices down. And I can tell you now that not only the lunchroom people, but I can see why we have a shortage of teachers. And I am so glad that I changed my mind after my first semester because I would have been in prison. **Sue Anne Martin** - Thank you. **Paula Crew** - Thank you for volunteering there, Paula. **Paula Fugate** - I think we need to open it up. Make sure we open it up more. They could use, believe me, more help, and I think it could be used at the other schools.

- **Sherry Priest** - Well, I don't really have a comment, but DeAnna and Susan, you talked about the public input on spending the federal grant funds. Is there any way I could get a copy of that handout? **Susan Wile** - Yes, you can have my copy, **Sherry Priest** - because I'm like, well, how do I input on spending public funds if I don't know what we've gotten. And not that I'm going to do it, but it's just... Thank you. I'm sorry, but the musical was fantastic. I might be a little biased, but it was good.
- **Paula Fugate** - Excuse me. I was going to make a suggestion, and that is because of negotiations. And believe me, this has been several years ago, but I think it was Xavier. But it could have been U.C., had a course and it was a one day or I think a week maybe, I don't know. But it was called a skillful negotiation. I would suggest that training for anyone that is going to partake in negotiation. We had a union shop, but I had a husband that was union president. But truthfully, if they're still giving it, they may be giving it at Wright State I mean, I don't know. I highly suggest it for anyone because it opened my eyes a lot for when you walk into a room. **Sue Anne Martin** - Thank you. Mrs. Fugate, I know that there are lots of resources like that, that I know that Mrs. Crew has been looking at and Mrs. Robinson and using. And I'm sure that TEA has done the same. So thank you for mentioning that.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mr. Mills at 6:57 p.m. to recess into Executive Session to prepare for negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment.

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Second by Mr. Diller.

Roll Call: Ayes, Members Mills, Diller, Clark, Stafford, and Martin..
Nays, none. Motion carried 5-0.

The meeting reconvened at 7:39 p.m.

Adjournment

Motion by Ms. Martin to adjourn the meeting.
Second by Mr. Mills.

Roll Call: Ayes, Members Martin, Mills, Diller, Clark, and Stafford..
Nays, none. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.



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