

Minutes of the March 9, 2021 Special Meeting of the  
Tecumseh Local Board of Education

**March 9, 2021**

The Tecumseh Local Board of Education met in special session on March 9, 2021 with board president Corinne Scott presiding. Mrs. Scott called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was held at the Tecumseh High School Arrow Conference Room, 9830 W. National Road, New Carlisle, Ohio 45344.

Roll Call: Present — Members Scott, Slagell, Brents, Martin, and Priest.  
Absent — None.

Mrs. Scott led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**New Business**

ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR - PERSONNEL

Motion by Mr. Priest and second by Mrs. Brents:

Resignations

Boyd Barger, Maintenance Supervisor Assistant at Tecumseh Local Schools. Effective April 30, 2021. Reason - To accept another position within the District.

Donna Diller, Accounting at Tecumseh Local Schools. Effective May 1, 2021. Reason - Retirement.

Roger Diller, Maintenance Supervisor at Tecumseh Local Schools. Effective May 1, 2021. Reason - Retirement.

Employment – Supplemental - Athletic

to approve the employment of the following individual for the 2021-2022 school year, as presented.

Head Varsity Boy's Basketball                      Kyle Leathley

Roll Call: Ayes, Members Priest, Brents, Martin, Slagell, and Scott.  
Nays, none. Motion carried 5-0.

Employment – Administrative

Motion by Mr. Priest and second by Mrs. Slagell to approve the employment of Gary Bunnell as Maintenance Supervisor Assistant for Tecumseh Local Schools, as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes, Members Slagell, Brents, Martin, and Scott.  
Nays, Member Priest. Motion carried 4-1.

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## **Planning and Discussion**

The board conducted a work session to discuss the following:

Levy Planning Jeff McCuen spoke with the board about levy options and how to best move forward. Substitute emergency levy to replace our current emergency levy will eliminate the need to go back to the voters every five years to bring in the same amount of money. ESSER funding is nice, but it is isolated, not continuing.

High School Programming Aaron Oakes spoke about cuts being made to programs, hopefully in the short term. Graduation requirements, long term, Class of 2023 and beyond, there are three criteria that must be met 20 credits – state minimum, Tecumseh requires more than the state, demonstrate competency in Algebra I and English II, readiness by earning two graduation seals out of a possible twelve. We have a partnership with Sinclair to develop a pre-apprenticeship program. Need to submit to the state for approval. Business advisory council is needed whether with CBI or pre-apprenticeship, and we are working on that process now. IT, Computer Science, and manufacturing are the areas we are focusing on. HVAC and Construction are also offered by Sinclair. Once a student graduates, Sinclair works to get them an apprenticeship somewhere. Traditional high schools are moving more towards pre-apprenticeship. Old, alternate pathway was come to school 93% of the time and work 120 hours, state has said that's not good enough. Jaguar academy at CTC models the CBI program. CBI is intervention, it's not a pathway. It is not designed to be long-term. College is not for everyone, skills are needed whether they are skills to attend college or skills to go out and make a livable wage and be a productive citizen, acquire skills at CTC and then continue on to college. There is a lot more to meeting graduation requirements than there was years ago.

Board of Education Goals continuation of the Board Needs Assessment from last work session, as outlined by the Ohio School Board Association. There are five BOE Standards as outlined by Ohio Department of Education. Looking at the needs assessment to identify one or two goals as a board that want to work on for the remainder of the school year. Goals and expectations could also be included in the Board Brochure and on the website. Bios on the website need to be updated too.

Capital Outlay Plan Permanent Improvement Levy, Five-year cycle, approximately \$700,000. Will be discussed further at the next work session on May 11<sup>th</sup>. Roofing and HVAC are the most expensive areas to maintain.

ESSER II Funding \$2,390,244.82 March 30, 2021 – September 30, 2023 to use this funding. To help in areas that we have a deficit. Summer Learning Program is something that will benefit from this. Technology benefited from CARES money, but the ESSER II will get us ahead on replacements of Chromebooks. Child Nutrition can also use these funds to help with their deficit. Because it is Federal Funds, we need to spend the money and then submit for reimbursement. ESSER II Funds are for two fiscal years. We will have additional information about the Summer Learning Program at the March 23<sup>rd</sup> regular meeting.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Ms. Martin at 7:53 p.m. to recess into Executive Session to discuss Personnel Matters - Compensation and Negotiations with Public Employees concerning Compensation. Second by Mrs. Slagell.

Roll Call: Ayes, Members Martin, Slagell, Brents, Priest, and Scott.  
Nays, none. Motion carried 5-0.

The meeting reconvened at 8:59 p.m.

**Adjournment**

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

Roll Call: Ayes, Members Martin, Priest, Brents, Slagell, and Scott.  
Nays, none. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.



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President



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Treasurer

