

I. **Opening**

The Regular Meeting of the Tuscarawas Valley Local Board of Education was called to order by President Susan Kaschak on Wednesday, February 14, 2007, at 6:30pm in the high school library.

Roll call showed the following members present: Mr. Buchanan, yes; Mr. Gooding, yes; Mrs. Green, yes; Mr. Knaack, yes; Mrs. Kaschak, yes.

II. **Public Participation**

Speakers were Mike Norris and Tanya Weber.

III. **Superintendent's Report**

Mr. Mark A. Murphy ~ *Summary of District Plan for Excellence, Choice, Unity*

IV. **New Business/Consent Agenda**

A. Mrs. Green moved, Mr. Knaack seconded, and all members voted yes, to approve the Superintendent's recommendations as follows:

1. Minutes from the January 8, 2007 Organizational and Regular Meetings, January 2007 Financial Reports, and January 2007 Investments and Then/Now Certificates

2. Appropriation Modifications as follows:

<u>Acct.</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Total</u>
019	Other Grants	\$2782.00	\$2782.00
584	Drug Free Schools Grant	<u>\$1609.90</u>	<u>\$1609.90</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4391.90</b>	<b>\$4391.90</b>

3. Increase of \$1600.00 in the cost of the FY06 audit of the district, as amended by the State Auditor's Office.

4. Resignation of Paul Gibson, *Academic Challenge Advisor*, for SY2006-07.

5. Employment of Sharyn Gates as a third-grade achievement intervention teacher at Mineral City Elementary, effective February 5, 2007, on an as-needed basis, four (4) hours per day, paid through Title I grant funds.

6. Employment of Ericka Petranek as a TVHS guidance counselor, effective March 1, 2007.

7. Supplemental contracts for SY2006-07 as follows:

District Employees

John Hite	Assistant Boys' Track (Step 25/\$3133.18)
Jacob Gamber	MS Boys' Track (Step 1/\$2043.38)
Joel Goodwin	Assistant Girls' Track (Step 2/\$2043.38)
Jere Kubuske	Assistant Baseball (Step 1/\$2043.38)
Curtis Love	Head Baseball (Step 5/\$3405.63)
Shawn Miller	Head Softball (Step 5/\$3405.63)
Chadd Wallick	Assistant Baseball (Step 6/\$3133.18)
Matt Ward	Head Boys'/Girls' Track (Step 3/\$3405.63)
Arien Wise	Washington DC Chaperone (\$544.90)
	Sixth Grade Camp Chaperone (\$544.90)

Non-Employees

Bryan Fowler	Assistant Softball (Step 4/\$2588.28)
Brett Hershberger	Assistant Softball (Step 0/\$2043.38)

8. District Calendar for SY2007-08 (see attachment) and a resolution to apply for a student waiver day scheduled on October 22, 2007.

9. Receipt of a grant in the amount of \$498.00 from American Electric Power for two (2) digital cameras and *Photo Shop* software packages, one at Mineral City Elementary and one at New Cumberland Elementary. Grant was submitted by Brenda Durbin-James.

10. Receipt of a grant in the amount of \$2782.00 from the Martha Holden Jennings Foundation for the Mineral City Elementary project, *Reading is More than Just Words*. Grant was submitted by Susan McCullagh.
11. Receipt of \$15,744.00 from SchoolNet Plus, through eTech Ohio, for 15 laptop computers at the middle school. Application was submitted by Valerie Simeone.
12. Acceptance of a donation of two (2) adjustable backboards for the Bolivar Elementary gymnasium, valued at \$1580.00, from the Tusky Valley Youth Association.
13. Request from the Mineral City Youth Baseball Association to use TVHS baseball and softball fields for the 2007 season. Use of school facilities shall not interfere with any scheduled school events, fields will be maintained, trash will be picked up, and the Mineral City Youth Baseball Association will provide proof of liability insurance before using school facilities.
14. Recognition of students and staff for their accomplishments and achievements as follows:

**Commendation from The Ohio State University to the TVHS Advanced Placement program**

Graduates Erica Elsasser and Claire Green earned Ohio State mathematics credits by taking the Advanced Placement Calculus Examination. High school AP teacher was Susan Troyer.

**Participants in the Bowling Green State University Honor Bands**

Dominick Pariano, Shauna Schwartz, Tori Zumwalt

***Magic Music Days performances, Disneyworld, Florida, March 2007***

- ▶ TVHS Marching Band, March 30 at Epcot's *World Fest March*
- ▶ TVHS Concert Band, March 30 at the *Jazz It Up* workshop and March 31 at the *You're Instrumental* workshop

**Power of the Pen District Tournament, January 2007:**

TVMS was the only school in Tuscarawas and Holmes counties to have all six team members qualify for regional competition March 17 at Wadsworth Middle School. Team members are Pati Beans, Jacob Dornhecker, Jordan Johnson, Abbie Kahler, Tyler Kubina, Ethan Weisgarber. Advisor is Jennifer Gardner.

- B. Mrs. Green moved, Mr. Gooding seconded, and all members voted yes, to approve a resolution to improve the quality of education for all students, demonstrate financial accountability, and position the district for a future OSFC project, beginning with the 2007-08 school year, by:

- (1) Restructuring and Renaming the Elementary Schools
  - ▶ Tuscarawas Valley Primary (PreK-1) at the Mineral City site
  - ▶ Tuscarawas Valley Intermediate (2-4) at the Bolivar site
- (2) Offering all day, every day kindergarten
- (3) Closing New Cumberland Elementary School

- C. Mr. Knaack moved, Mrs. Green seconded, and all members voted yes, to approve a:

**RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO PROCEED WITH THE  
SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS THE QUESTION OF  
THE RENEWAL OF AN EXISTING EMERGENCY LEVY PURSUANT  
TO ORC 5705.194 THROUGH ORC 5705.197**

WHEREAS, on February 15, 2007, this Board adopted Resolution No. 2/3/07 requesting the Tuscarawas County Auditor for a calculation of the millage necessary to raise a specific number of dollars for the renewal of an existing levy as described below, a copy of which resolution was certified to the Auditor; and

WHEREAS, the Tuscarawas County Auditor has certified to the Board that the annual tax levy required throughout the life of the proposed levy to produce the annual amount of Nine Hundred Forty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$940,000.00) as set forth in that resolution, calculated in the manner provided by ORC 5705.195, is 4.9 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which is forty-nine cents (\$0.49) for each one hundred dollars of tax valuation.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Tuscarawas Valley Local School District, Tuscarawas County, Ohio, a majority of all members of the Board concurring that:

Section 1. This Board determines and declares that the revenue which will be raised by all tax levies which this Board is authorized to impose, when combined with state and federal revenues available to this Board, will be insufficient to avoid an operating deficit in the District, and that it is therefore necessary to levy a renewal of an existing tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation in order to raise the amount from the renewal of Nine Hundred Forty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$940,000.00) each year for a period of five (5) years for that purpose. This levy renewal shall renew all of an existing levy.

Section 2. Pursuant to ORC 5705.194 through 5705.197, there shall be submitted to the electors of this District at the election to be held on May 8, 2007, the question of levying a renewal of all of an existing tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation for a period of five (5) years with a levy on the tax list and duplicate for the year commencing 2008, to be first distributed to the Board in calendar year 2009, to raise the amount of Nine Hundred Forty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$940,000.00) from the renewal each calendar year for a period of five (5) years for the purpose of avoiding an operating deficit in the District at the annual tax rate necessary to raise that amount, which rate is estimated by the Tuscarawas County Auditor to be 4.9 mills for each one dollar of tax valuation, which is forty-nine cents (\$0.49) for each one hundred dollars of tax valuation.

Section 3. The Treasurer is authorized and directed to immediately certify a copy of this resolution and the certificate from the Tuscarawas County Auditor to the Tuscarawas County Board of Elections and request that the Board of Elections prepare the ballots and make other necessary arrangements for the submission of this question to the electors of this District, all in accordance with law.

Section 4. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with law.

V. **Principal/Supervisor Reports**

Mrs. Diana Flickinger, Bolivar Elementary  
Mr. Jeff Raynor, TV High School

VI. **Executive Session**

Mr. Gooding moved, Mrs. Green seconded, and all members voted yes, to go into Executive Session for the purpose of employment, investigation of charges/complaints, and negotiations.  
Time: 7:00pm.

The Tuscarawas Valley Local Board of Education returned from Executive Session at 11:38pm.  
Roll call showed all members present.

VII. **Adjournment**

Mr. Knaack moved, Mr. Buchanan seconded, and all members voted yes, to adjourn said meeting. Time: 11:39pm.

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Susan Kaschak, President  
Tuscarawas Valley Local School District

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Kellie A. Lester, Treasurer  
Tuscarawas Valley Local School District

		Kaschak	Buchanan	Green	Gooding	Knaack
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2/1/07	A.	Y	Y	Y(1)	Y	Y(2)
2/2/07	B.	Y	Y	Y(1)	Y(2)	Y
2/3/07	C.	Y	Y	Y(2)	Y	Y(1)
2/4/07	Executive Session	Y	Y	Y(2)	Y(1)	Y
2/5/07	Adjournment	Y	Y(2)	Y	Y	Y(1)

Staff members in attendance were Brenda Selden, Joel/Cortney Goodwin, Diana Flickinger. Guests present were Jack Maxwell, Kent/Pam Swamy, Mike/Connie Muzechuk, John/Chris McCoury, Patrick Lauber, Tom/Kim Harmon, George/Brenda Sites, Mike/Lori Norris, Jay/Ariel VanNatter, Shellie/Calli Reed, Ann/Olivia Richardson, Julie/Kori Knecht, Dale Watson, Rob/Tanya Weber, Michael/Beth Johnson, Ben/Kathy/Lauren Higl, Brian Bour.