

**TUSCARAWAS VALLEY LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
March 8, 2021**

PLACE: TVHS Trojan Center

TIME: 7pm

I. OPENING

- A. Call Meeting to Order: Time: _____
- B. Roll Call
Gooding _____, Green _____, Johnson _____, Overton _____, Burrier _____
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Invocation
- E. Additions/Corrections to Agenda

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (po0169.1)

- A. The Board of Education recognizes the value to school governance of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on school matters of community interest. The Board offers public participation to members of the public in accordance with the procedures below. The Board applies these procedures to all speakers, and does not discriminate based on the identity of the speaker, content of the speech, or viewpoint of the speaker.

The Board is also committed to conducting its meetings in a productive and efficient manner that assures that the regular agenda of the Board is completed in a reasonable period of time, honors the voluntary nature of the Board's time and using that time efficiently, and allows for a fair and adequate opportunity for input to be considered. Consequently, public participation at Board meetings will be governed by the following principle.

In order to permit the fair and orderly expression of such comment, the Board shall provide a period for public participation at every regular meeting of the Board and publish rules to govern such participation in Board meetings.

The presiding officer of each Board meeting at which public participation is permitted shall administer the rules of the Board for its conduct.

The presiding officer shall be guided by the following rules:

- 1. Public participation shall be permitted as indicated on the order of business.
- 2. Anyone having a legitimate interest in the actions of the Board may participate during the public portion of a meeting.
- 3. Attendees must register their intention to participate in the public portion of the meeting upon their arrival at the meeting.
- 4. Participants must be recognized by the presiding officer and will be requested to preface their comments by an announcement of their name, address, and group affiliation, if and when appropriate.
- 5. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to five (5) minutes duration, unless extended by the presiding officer.
- 6. The presiding officer may:
 - a. prohibit public comments that are frivolous, repetitive, and/or harassing;
 - b. interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, abusive, off-topic, obscene, or irrelevant;
 - c. request any individual to leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum or is disruptive to the conduct of the meeting;
 - d. request the assistance of law enforcement officers in the removal of a disorderly person when that person's conduct interferes with the orderly progress of the meeting;
 - e. call for a recess or an adjournment to another time when the lack of public decorum so interferes with the orderly conduct of the meeting as to warrant such action;

- f. waive these rules with the approval of the Board when necessary for the protection of privacy or the administration of the Board's business.

The portion of the meeting during which the participation of the public is invited shall be limited to thirty (30) minutes, unless extended by a vote of the Board.

III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. Mrs. Sally Green, recipient of 2021 OSBA Training Award and Service Award
B. High School Students of the Month, Mr. Jason Phillips, TVHS Principal

IV. NEW BUSINESS/CONSENT AGENDA

- A. The following recommendations are made by the Superintendent:
1. Approve minutes from the February 8, 2021 regular meeting and February 2021 financial reports and investments.
 2. Approve movement on the TVTA salary schedule in accordance with the TVTA negotiated agreement for the following staff members.

	From	To
Emily Hawkins	Masters	Masters +15
Leslie Lautenschleger	Masters	Masters +15

3. Approve the following substitute employees for SY2020-2021 for all classified substitute positions pending verification of all credentials:
 - D Susan Harris
4. Grant supplemental contracts for SY2020-2021 as follows pending verification of all credentials:

Certified Employees

Sandy DeBos	Assistant Track	Step 9
Brian Finney	Head Boys Track	Step 10
John Fletcher	Middle School Track	Step 5
Kayla Kopp	Assistant Track	Volunteer
Amanda McElwee	Head Girls Track	Step 2
Susan Sciury	Middle School Track	Step 2
Matt Ward	6th Grade Class w/Camp	Step 1

Contracted Employees

Tom Crilley	Assistant Baseball	Volunteer
Donald Jones	Assistant Baseball	Volunteer
Andrew Reichman	Assistant Softball	Step 0
Morgan Roden	Assistant (JV) Softball	Step 1
Landen Thompson	Assistant Baseball	Volunteer

5. In addition to the normal daily rate, in lieu of the traditional overnight 6th grade camp experience, issue a one-time payment of one-half (1/2) the per diem rate to the following individuals to accompany students on a lengthened one-day camp experience, as follows:

6th Grade

Dixie Chumney
Matt Gray
Ronda Price
Matt Ward
Arien Wise

7th Grade

John Blile
April Ernst
Emily Hawkins
Kallie Kouskouris
Cathy Whitehair

6. Approve an athletic holiday from Wednesday, June 30, 2021 through Friday, July 9, 2021 for all Tusky Valley student athletes (grades 7-12). School gyms will be closed during this time.

7. Acknowledge the TVLSD joint statement regarding the 2020-2021 Business Advisory Council in cooperation with the East Central Ohio Educational Service Center, as posted on the district website.
 8. Approve purpose statements and budgets for SY2020-2021, submitted by advisors, as follows:
 - Class of 2024 Gary Peterson
 9. Modify the 2020-2021 district calendar to adjust calamity day #1 (no school day) from Friday, May 21 to Friday, May 14, 2021.
 10. Approve the 2021-2022 district calendar (attached).
 11. Acknowledge a letter of support for Lawrence Township Trustees to submit a grant to improve the access for rescue/emergency services and canoe/kayak launch at River Community Park.
 12. Approve the first reading of the following NEOLA policies in accordance to the law:
 - 1422 Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity (revision)
 - 1623 Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment (revision)
 - 1662 Anti-Harassment (revision)
 - 2240 Controversial Issue (revision)
 - 2260 Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Educational Opportunity (revision)
 - 2260.01 Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Discrimination Based on Disability (revision)
 - 3122 Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity (revision)
 - 3123 Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment (revision)
 - 3362 Anti-Harassment (revision)
 - 4122 Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity (revision)
 - 4123 Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment (revision)
 - 4362 Anti-Harassment (revision)
 - 5517 Anti-Harassment (revision)
 - 6220 Budget Preparation (revision)
 - 6600 Deposit of Public Funds: Cash Collection Points (revision)
 - 7440.01 Video Surveillance and Electronic Monitoring (revision)
 - 7450 Property Inventory (revision)
 - 7455 Accounting System for Capital Assets (revision)
 - 8500 Food Services (revision)
 - 8510 Wellness (revision)
 13. Accept donations/grants and express appreciation to the following individuals, businesses, organizations, and foundations for the following contributions:
 - The Timken Company, 3D printer filament valued at \$600, Project Lead the Way
 14. Recognize students of the month:
 - TV High School**
 - Student of the Month: Lexie Engstrom
 - Athlete of the Month: Ellie Dorsey
 - Fine Artist of the Month: Logan Stotzer
 - TV Middle School**
 - 5th grade: Robert Bowers
 - 6th grade: Luke Salapack
 - 7th grade: Barrett Bandy
 - 8th grade: Joshua Lehman
 - Fine Artist: Victoria Wilson
- Gooding _____, Green _____, Johnson _____, Overton _____, Burrier _____**
- V. Approve a resolution urging the Ohio General Assembly to waive all state mandated standardized testing requirements for the 2020-2021 school year, request a waiver from state mandated testing from the US

Department of education, and declare the Tuscarawas Valley Local School Board's support for House Bills 67 and 40, which would fulfill both requests and declare an emergency.

WHEREAS, it is the statutory duty of the Tuscarawas Valley Local School District to deliver the educational programs and services to the school children of the Tuscarawas Valley Local School District, and

WHEREAS, the members of the Board are elected by the Tuscarawas Valley Local school community to ensure that students are healthy, safe, engaged, supported, and challenged, and

WHEREAS, the elected board of education is responsible to the community including taxpayers, parents and other patrons, as well as the state, and

WHEREAS, the state of Ohio requires annual, statewide standardized testing in accordance with federal mandates, and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has created instructional challenges and forced educators to quickly adapt to new practices during the 2020-2021 school year, and

WHEREAS, the administration of standardized tests may create additional, unnecessary health risks to students and District staff, and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio waived standardized testing last spring when learning was disrupted for less than half of the academic year, and

WHEREAS, the Tuscarawas Valley Local School District and its educators already perform formative testing on every District student – tests that during a pandemic are far more helpful and accurate in addressing student need, and

WHEREAS, the results of the statewide, mandated standardized testing won't be known until after the school year is ended and will be of no help to District students or the District's need to potentially address any disrupted learning opportunities District students may face, and

WHEREAS, the education professionals in the Tuscarawas Valley Local School District are best able to assess those COVID-19 related needs better than an out-of-state standardized test developer, and

WHEREAS, the Tuscarawas Valley Local School District and its educators are committed to ensuring every District student is able to succeed, and

WHEREAS, the worst introduction to in-person instruction this Board can imagine would be a battery of biased standardized tests given to students that will be useless in determining what those students need to learn academically, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TUSCARAWAS VALLEY LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION THAT:

SECTION ONE:

The Board of Education urges the State of Ohio to only administer the spring 2021 statewide standardized assessments required by federal law. And the Board fully supports House Bills 67 and 40, which would provide greater flexibility in administering the assessments.

SECTION TWO:

The Tuscarawas Valley Local School Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in open meetings of this Board and any deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

SECTION THREE:

The Board declares this to be an emergency immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Tuscarawas Valley Local School District. Provided that this legislation receives the affirmative vote of three-fourths ($\frac{3}{4}$ ths) of the members elected or appointed to the Board, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage.

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VI. Approve a resolution recommending amendment to the Ohio School Boards Association 2021 Legislative Platform:

WHEREAS, the Tuscarawas Valley School District is a member of the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA), and

WHEREAS, the OSBA advocates through a "legislative platform" that is reviewed and amended each year by OSBA member districts, and

WHEREAS, the current legislative platform contains language related to Vouchers, and

WHEREAS Tuscarawas Valley School District and its local taxpayers could be harmed by EdChoice Voucher Program, and

WHEREAS, public school districts operate under a biased test-based accountability system that is inherently flawed and one which private and non-public schools who accept public money are not held to, and

WHEREAS, research studies have shown a correlation between low scores on standardized tests and poverty, and

WHEREAS, in FY 2021, Ohio's Public Schools will have nearly \$150 million hijacked from their state funding to be redirected to private non-public schools based on these test scores, and

WHEREAS, teachers and administrators at private non-public schools are not held to the same professional licensing requirements as they are in Ohio's public schools, and

WHEREAS, non-public schools are continuing go after more public school students yearly

WHEREAS, public school districts are audited by the State of Ohio annually, and are subject to Ohio's Public Records laws.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on March 8, 2021, The Tuscarawas Valley Local School District's School Board of Education recommends the following language be added to the legislative platform under the "Voucher" plank:

OSBA supports legislation that:

- Requires all vouchers to be funded in a way that does not deduct from or diminish funding to public school districts
- Places a cap on the amount of money a district can lose to vouchers

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VII. LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORTS

- Dr. Derek Varansky, Director of Curriculum and Federal Programs
- Mr. Jason Phillips, TV High School Principal
- Mrs. Erica Knowles, TV Middle School Principal

- Mrs. Andrea Clements, TV Elementary School Principal
- Mr. Mike Spillman, Building and Grounds/Transportation Supervisor

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENT

- The next regular Board of Education meeting will be held April 12, 2021 at 7pm in the TVHS Trojan Center.
- The Board of Education will hold a special meeting for executive session on Monday, April 12, 2021 beginning at 5:30pm in the Superintendent's Office for the purpose of preparing for negotiations.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Time: _____

Gooding _____, Green _____, Johnson _____, Overton _____, Burrier _____