

**Regular Board of Education Meeting
 August 27, 2024
 Thornton Fractional Center for Academics & Technology
 1605 Wentworth Ave.
 Calumet City, IL 60409
 MINUTES**



1. Call to Order/Roll call

President Stepp called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Townsend, Wilson **Absent:**

2. Pledge

3. Communication/Informational

A. Public Comments

- LaJewel Wimberry--Son is a student for discipline. Asked the board for consideration as he's a very good kid, is an athlete, on the honor roll and defended himself.
- Barbara Dust—Wanted to share with the board that the Rich Dust Teacher Innovation fund is up and running and have \$3000 to give away to teachers.
- Antoine Jamison—Asking the board for more continuation of time to work on the status of his driver's license. His attorney has found out mistakes the state messed up on.

B. Freedom of Information Report

DATE	REQUESTOR	REQUEST	DATE RESPONDED
7/30/24	Sheri Reid Data Acquisition Specialist SmartProcure	SmartProcure is submitting a commercial FOIA request to the Thornton Fractional Township High School District No. 215 for general purchasing records from 3/28/2024 to the current request date of 7/30/2024.	7/31/24

C.Future Meetings--September 11, 2024 Committee of the Whole; September 24, 2024 Regular meeting

D.Building Reports—Building reports were provided by the principals.

E.Superintendent's Report--none

4. Closed Session for the purposes of student discipline and to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee(s), specific independent contractors, specific volunteers, or District legal counsel and student discipline.

I move to recess to Closed Session at 6:13 p.m. for the purposes of student discipline and to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee(s), specific independent contractors, specific volunteers, or District legal counsel and student discipline. This motion, made by Member Newman and seconded by Member Wilson, passed.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Townsend, Wilson **Nays:** **Absent:**

Member Newman moved, seconded by Member Townsend that the Board of Education adjourn to open session at 7:16 p.m. Upon voice vote, motion carried.

5. Consent

I move to approve the consent agenda as presented. This motion, made by Member Newman and seconded by Member Townsend, passed.

A.Approve Minutes from the July 23, 2024 Open and Closed Sessions, the August 7, 2024 Special Meeting Open Session the August 14, 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting and the August 14, 2024 Special Meeting Open and Closed Sessions

B.Approve Personnel Report

- 1) It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the report of the resignation of Justin Clark, Special Education Paraprofessional at T.F. North, effective August 13, 2024.

- 2) It is recommended that the Board of Education rescind the employment of Joi Bell as a Special Education Paraprofessional at T.F. North, effective August 12, 2024.
- 3) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Lester Hampton as a Barbering Teacher at T.F. North, effective September 3, 2024.
- 4) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the re-employment of Michael Orr as Network & Security Engineer, effective September 3, 2024.
- 5) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Jovanni Rojas as a Custodian at T.F. North, effective September 3, 2024.
- 6) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve an addendum to the 2024-2025 employment contract for Eric Mastey, Assistant Superintendent of Career Development.
- 7) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Muhammad Abdur-Rahim, Deans' Assistant at T.F. South, effective for the 2024-2025 school term.
- 8) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve FMLA leave for Phylcia Burford, Director of Food Services, effective August 16, 2024 through September 30, 2024.
- 9) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Jennifer Gillespie, Special Education Teacher at T.F. North, effective for the 2024-2025 school term.
- 10) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Stephanie Kuchenbecker, Deans' Assistant at T.F. North, effective for the 2024-2025 school term.
- 11) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Pamela Leonard, Math Teacher at T.F. South, effective for the 2024-2025 school term.
- 12) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Anita Martinez, Cafeteria Aide at T.F. North, effective for the 2024-2025 school term.
- 13) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Dana Phillips, Principal's Secretary at T.F. North, effective for the 2024-2025 school term.
- 14) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Sandy Pohlman, Building Control Secretary at T.F. South, effective for the 2024-2025 school term.
- 15) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve FMLA leave for Dorothy Stojanovic, Custodian at T.F. North, effective August 28, 2024 through October 28, 2024.
- 16) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve FMLA leave for Matthew Tiffy, Social Studies Teacher at T.F. South, effective November 12, 2024 through November 26, 2024.
- 17) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Nancy Welker, Physical Education Teacher at T.F. South, effective for the 2024-2025 school term.
- 18) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the temporary reassignment of Franklin Hogan from IT Support Specialist to Lead Support Specialist at T.F. South, effective August 28, 2024.
- 19) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the reassignment of Antoine Jamison from Groundskeeper to Custodian at T.F. North, effective August 28, 2024.
- 20) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Driver Education Behind-the-Wheel Teachers at *T.F. South* for the 2024-2025 school term: Michael Tisza.
- 21) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Group Leader for 2024 Freshman Orientation at *T.F. North*: Sheri Murawski.
- 22) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following extra-curricular releases, resignations, and appointments for the 2024-2025 school term:

Releases:

- Daniel Krumrie, *Baseball Co-Assistant Coach*, T.F. South

Resignations:

- Timothy Sullivan, *Assistant Athletic Director (Winter)*, T.F. South
- Timothy Sullivan, *Boys' Track Assistant Coach*, T.F. South
- Timothy Sullivan, *Pep Club Sponsor*, T.F. South
- Alainna Zachary, *Junior Class Sponsor*, T.F. South

Appointments:

- Blanca Alcantar, *Junior Class Sponsor*, T.F. South
- Tyrone Bearden, *Basketball Assistant Coach*, T.F. South
- Wendy Bivins, *Student Action Team Co-Sponsor*, T.F. North
- Justin Clark, *Football Co-Assistant Coach*, T.F. North
- John'te Crawford, *Boys' Track Assistant Coach*, T.F. South
- John'te Crawford, *Football Co-Assistant Coach*, T.F. South
- Bryan Evancho, *AM/PM Hall Supervisor*, T.F. North
- Christina Garcia, *Family Support Specialist*, T.F. South
- Stacie Hunt, *AM/PM Hall Supervisor*, T.F. North
- Antoine Jamison, *Football Co-Assistant Coach*, T.F. North

- Shabaka Maclin, *Boys' Basketball Volunteer Assistant Coach*, T.F. North
- Paul Massat, *AM/PM Hall Supervisor*, T.F. South
- Jennifer Navarro, *Co-Family Support Specialist*, T.F. North
- Shaunwell Posley, *AM/PM Hall Supervisor*, T.F. North
- Alyssa Real, *Girls' Volleyball Assistant Coach*, T.F. North
- Josefina Santos, *Co-Family Support Specialist*, T.F. North
- Christopher Simich, *AM/PM Hall Supervisor*, T.F. South
- Maria Vicki Torres, *Family Support Specialist*, T.F. Center
- Monica Townes-Hudson, *AM/PM Hall Supervisor*, T.F. South

23) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Homework Center Tutors:

T.F. Center

- Benjamin Faulkner, Twana Frelix-Lloyd, Kurt Jurgens

T.F. North

- Joseph Faron, Jennifer Galvan, Catherine Hood, Gregory Longo, Tareg Mansour, Cynthia McCraw, Karla McDaniel, Diane Miller-Desoto, Sheri Murawski, Rindi Ortiz, Michelle Potter, Sheila Raja, Rebecca Watt

T.F. South

- Jennifer Biggs, Margaret Blahunka, Tracy Burt-Lydon, Kelli McCullough, Sarah McMahel, Gail Meyer, Danna Ready, Gregory Rizzo, Lauren Senter, Nicole Streit, Alexander Vrbanoff.

24) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Student Safety Monitors for Fall 2024:

T.F. North

- Talor Galvin, Gregory Longo, Jessica Matlock, Centrese McGee, Frederick Schuldes, Megan Weber

T.F. South

- Arielle Daniels, Dwight DeRamus, Jasmine Gardner, Gina Helbling, Therese Pecora, Gregory Rizzo, Elvis Slaughter, Nancy Welker.

25) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Substitute Teachers for the 2024-2025 school term: Khalyn Bradford, Justin Clark, David Klupchak, Kyle Ruckert.

26) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Volunteers for the 2024-2025 school term: Nia Douglas, Alex Johnson.

C. Approve/Accept the following Financial Items

1. Accept July 2024 FTD Monthly Financial Statements
2. Approve July/August 2024 Payables, \$2,120,963.61
3. Approve July/August 2024 Activities Bills, \$12,839.61

Student Activities - List of Bills - July 2024/August 2024

Fund	Amount
TF North Activities	2,901.39
TF South Activities	9,702.40
Admin/TF Center Activities	235.82
Total	\$ 12,839.61

4. Approve July 2024 Payroll, \$876,930.79

Payroll Report - July 2024

Fund	Amount
Education	675,498.87
Operations and Maintenance	200,113.62
Transportation	1,318.30
Total	\$ 876,930.79

5. Approve July/August 2024 Imprest, \$2090.55

Imprest - List of Bills - July 2024/August 2024

Fund	Amount
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Educational	2,090.55
Special Education	-
Operations and Maintenance	-
Debt Service	-
Transportation	-
Capital Projects	-
Tort Liability	-
Total	\$ 2,090.55

- D. Approve vendor contract for Cameron Stephens for TF North Athletics social media
- E. Approve MOUs with When Girls Get Together, Inc.
- F. Approve Urban Male Network MOU
- G. Approve Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement with Lansing Public Library
- H. Conduct First Reading of Policies
 - 1. Review Monitoring Updates
 - 2. Draft Update Policies
- I. Approve 2024-25 Activities Handbook
- J. Approve 2024-25 Athletic Handbook
- K. Approve destruction of closed session recordings for February 28, 2023 in accordance with Policy 2:220

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Townsend, Wilson **Nays: Absent:**

6. Action

- A. Approve Intergovernmental Agreement for Legislative Extension of the Ridge Road TIF
I move to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Legislative Extension of the Ridge Road TIF as presented. This motion, made by Member Wilson and seconded by Member Terrazas, passed.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Terrazas, Townsend, Wilson **Nays: Stepp Absent:**

- B. Approve SRO Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Lansing
I move to approve the SRO Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Lansing as presented. This motion, made by Member Wilson and seconded by Member Terrazas, passed.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Terrazas, Townsend, Wilson **Nays: Stepp Absent:**

- C. Approve ACT Academic Tutoring contract
I move to approve the contract with Academic Tutoring and Test Prep in the amount of \$9,990 as presented. This motion, made by Member Jackson and seconded by Member Townsend, passed.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Townsend, Wilson **Nays: Absent:**

- D. Approve Curriculum Associates EL services contract
I move to approve the contract with Curriculum Associates, LLC for 2024 Ellevation Subscription/Services in the amount of \$49,574 as presented. This motion, made by Member Terrazas and seconded by Member Newman, passed.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Townsend, Wilson **Nays: Absent:**

E. Approve Dual Credit MoUs with Joliet Junior College

I move to approve the dual credit memorandums of understanding for TF North and TF Center with Joliet Junior College as presented. This motion, made by Member Wilson and seconded by Member Townsend, passed.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Townsend, Wilson **Nays: Absent:**

F. Approve purchase of dual credit culinary textbooks

I move to approve the dual credit culinary textbooks for TF North and TF Center in the total amount of \$6,869.28 as presented. This motion, made by Member Terrazas and seconded by Member Townsend, passed.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Townsend, Wilson **Nays: Absent:**

G. Approve Student 2023-24DD Alternative Placement

I move to approve student 2023-24DD Alternative Placement as discussed in closed session. This motion, made by Member Terrazas and seconded by Member Wilson, passed.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Townsend, Wilson **Nays: Absent:**

H. Approve Student 2023-24EE Alternative Placement

I move to approve student 2023-24EE Alternative Placement as discussed in closed session. This motion, made by Member Jackson and seconded by Member Townsend, passed.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Townsend, Wilson **Nays: Absent:**

I. Approve Student 2023-24FF Alternative Placement

I move to approve student 2023-24FF Alternative Placement as discussed in closed session. This motion, made by Member Townsend and seconded by Member Terrazas, passed.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Townsend, Wilson **Nays: Absent:**

J. Approve Student 2023-24GG Alternative Placement

I move to approve student 2023-24GG Alternative Placement as discussed in closed session. This motion, made by Member Jackson and seconded by Member Townsend, passed.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Townsend, Wilson **Nays: Absent:**

K. Approve Student 2023-24HH Alternative Placement

I move to approve student 2023-24HH Alternative Placement as discussed in closed session. This motion, made by Member Townsend and seconded by Member Terrazas, passed.

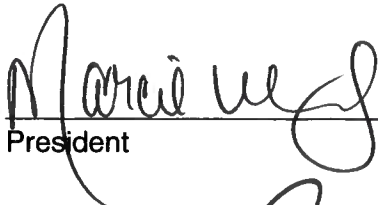
Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Townsend, Wilson **Nays: Absent:**

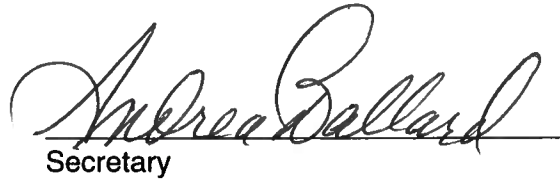
7. Closed Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee(s), specific independent contractors, specific volunteers, or District legal counsel.—not convened.

8. Adjourn

I move to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 p.m. This motion, made by Member Townsend and seconded by Member Wilson, passed on voice vote.



President



Secretary



Recording Secretary