

## TRI-VALLEY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3

### OFFICIAL MINUTES Board Retreat

January 31, 2023

#### I. ROLL CALL

A meeting of the Tri-Valley Board of Education was held in Downs, Illinois, on Tuesday, January 31, 2023. This was their annual Board Retreat. The meeting was called to order by Board President, Mr. Carl Neubauer, at 5:00 p.m.

Upon roll call, the following members answered present: Carl Neubauer, JB Goff, Jessica Alt, Brian Myers, Jill Messamore, Lori Stickling, and Bobby Brown. Others present: Mr. Ben Derges, Superintendent.

#### II. CONSENT AGENDA

None

#### III. VISITORS AND REPORTS:

A. Visitors: Diane Benjamin, Casey Misch, Susan Luke, Kevin Heid, and Damien Schlitt.

#### IV. ACTION ITEMS: None

#### V. DISCUSSION ITEMS

##### A. Review of District Goals

Mr. Derges reviewed and focused on the following previously established district goals: facilities, financial stewardship, and educational opportunities.

##### B. Review of Facilities

The focus of discussion centered on information that can guide two areas of discussion and planning: researching the design and creation of early childhood facilities and considering track and field complex renovations.

#### VI. HEAR PUBLIC COMMENT TO THE BOARD

A. Diane Benjamin: requested more information be shared with the public prior to board meetings.

B. Kevin Heid, Steifel Public Finance: provided a bond update and answered questions regarding the district's overall financial health.

C. Damien Schlitt, BLDD Architects: provided an Elementary school and Middle school utilization study, proposal for outdoor sport area renovations, and a potential Early Childhood facility including projected cost estimates.

**VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Jill Messamore to go into executive session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, resignation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of personnel, litigation or collective bargaining matters, pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act. Seconded by Bobby Brown. Motion carried and all members voted aye. The Executive Session was entered at 7:03pm.

Motion by Carl Neubauer to exit executive session. All members voted aye.

Motion by J.B. Goff to approve the closed session minutes previously read in closed session just ended, and seconded by Brian Myers.

Executive session was exited at 7:47 p.m.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Brian Myers to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by J.B. Goff. The following members voted aye: Carl Neubauer, JB Goff, Jessica Alt, Brian Myers, Jill Messamore, Lori Stickling and Bobby Brown.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

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**Approved**

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**Board President**

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**Board Secretary**