

TREMONT COMMUNITY UNIT DISTRICT #702
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING
October 12, 2023

Call to Order: 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call -	Gierich – present	Ulrich – absent
	Ropp – present	Sumer –present
	Smith – present	Kilgus -present
	Kaiser - present	

Persons Desiring to Address the Board – None

Consent Agenda –

1. Approval of previous meeting’s minutes as published/corrected
2. Acceptance of treasurer’s report
3. Approval of activity fund
4. Approval of bills, payroll, and Imprest Fund
5. Approval of Agenda

Motion by **Sumer** to approve the consent agenda. Second by **Kaiser**.

Roll Call -	Gierich – yea	Ulrich – absent
	Ropp – yea	Sumer – yea
	Smith – yea	Kilgus -yea
	Kaiser – yea	

Motion Carried: 6-0

Correspondence Received – None

Reports

Principals/Directors

The principals reported on their respective buildings.

Superintendent

The Superintendent presented a written report sharing some assessment data as well as results of recent fundraising events for the music department and the MS/HS Library. Mr. Berry also informed the Board of an upcoming meeting with the ROE to discuss our 4-year compliance check.

Other

The facilities committee met on Tues. Oct. 10th and discussed the grade school roof. There was also discussion on potentially applying for another state maintenance grant.

Old Business

Information Items

Monthly Financial Discussion

Mr. Berry provided an update on cash flow and fund balances in comparison to last year.

Legislative Updates

Mr. Berry provided an overview of some of the new education-related laws that have been enacted recently.

Referendum Update/Timeline

Mr. Berry discussed the meeting held on Oct. 5th as well as provided updates on fact sheets and plans to organize a steering committee.

FY24 School Maintenance Grant

The application for the FY24 Maintenance Grant is due in December. The facilities committee discussed upgraded HVAC for the MS/HS to eliminate the need for the window unit air conditioners. An upgrade to controls could be included in this project as well so the entire building could be on a single control system.

Action Items

Resolution for \$0.40 Limiting Rate Referendum March 19, 2024

Motion by **Smith** to adopt the resolution calling for submission of proposition to the electors for an increase in the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for taxes levied for the 2024 tax year by Tremont Community Unit School District No. 702, Tazewell County, Illinois.

Second by **Gierich**.

Yea – 6

Nay – 0

Motion Carried: 6-0

New Business

Information Items

Assistant MS Cross Country Coach position

The addition of an assistant MS Cross Country Coach was discussed.

Action Items

Lease for Additional Activity Bus

Motion by **Kaiser** to approve requesting a lease/purchase agreement with Central States Bus Sales, Inc. for an additional activity bus. Second by **Ropp**.

Roll Call -

Gierich – yea

Ulrich – absent

Ropp – yea

Sumer – yea

Smith – yea

Kilgus -yea

Kaiser – yea

Motion Carried: 6-0

Resignations

Motion by **Ropp** to ratify the acceptance by the Superintendent of the resignation of Heather Helms as a Middle School/High School Health and P.E. Teacher effective October 13, 2023.

Second by **Kilgus**.

Yea – 6

Nay – 0

Motion Carried: 6-0

Employment

Motion by **Sumer** to employ Stephanie Crawford as a MS/HS PE Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year, per salary agreement. Second by **Smith**.

Roll Call -	Gierich – yea	Ulrich – absent
	Ropp – yea	Sumer – yea
	Smith – yea	Kilgus -yea
	Kaiser – yea	

Motion Carried: 6-0

Motion by **Kilgus** to employ TJ Williams as a MS/HS Lunch Supervisor at a rate of \$20/hr for 2 hours per day for the 2023-2024 school year.

Second by **Ropp**.

Roll Call -	Gierich – yea	Ulrich – absent
	Ropp – yea	Sumer – yea
	Smith – yea	Kilgus -yea
	Kaiser – yea	

Motion Carried: 6-0

Motion by **Gierich** to approve Bobby Delaney and Todd Murphy as volunteer HS Wrestling Coaches for the 2023-2024 school year. Second by **Smith**.

Yea – 6

Nay – 0

Motion Carried: 6-0

Meeting Adjourned: 9:07 p.m.

Robert Ropp, President

Renee Kaiser, Secretary