

Tri Star Meeting  
April 27, 2023

Roll call was taken. Board members present were: Dorothy Kiel, Tim Rosenbeck, Scott Bertke, Preston Meyer, Paul Moorman, Joe Rose, Chris Falk, Rick Kremer, Randy Kunk and Sandy Mast.  
Absent were: Sandra Schulze and Tim Pohlman

Motion by Preston Meyer to approve the February minutes as read, second by Paul Moorman, motion carried.

Director's Report:

- Perkins – Mr. Buschur discussed the Program Improvement Plan (PIP). Several infractions were found such as not holding advisory board meetings, not signing off on meeting. 7 out of 9 local Ag programs had infractions. 6 schools did not follow through, 3 schools did not have a meeting. May 4 is an Administration Meeting to address following the criteria for PIP.
- Quality Program Review (QPR) – This review involves following up with students on their current employment, checking their test scores, passing their respective program.
- Expansion Grant – Gov. DeWine is releasing money for Career Tech School to expand or renovate their current buildings. Tri Star is not applying for this money.
- Career Awareness – Previously know as Career Development. Tri Star received \$24,000 this school year. Next school year - \$50,000. Year after that - \$75,000. Monies are used for Marcia's salary, 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade scavenger hunt, Boy Scout's merit badges, etc.
- Work Base Learning (WBL) – Tri Star teachers track working hours on each student who is employed. If approved in the budget, Tri Star will receive \$1,000 per student.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Quarter Grant – Geared towards Ag programs – i.e. county fairs, extended time, summer projects, etc. Tri Star can receive \$4,000 per teacher.
- Cooperative Update – Our lobbyist is working with local legislators to include the proposal in the state budget. Once approved, the superintendents will then decide when to proceed.
- Technology – Keith Gudorf has submitted the technology budget. It is crucial to keep technology current.
- College Credit Plus – Have two classes in Cybersecurity that are approved with Rhodes State.
- Donation – Charles River Laboratories chose Animal Health program as their non-profit organization donation of \$10,000. Once employees volunteer so many hours to any charity, they will donate the funds. They are also hiring Tri Students at \$18 per hour.
- Maintenance Fund – Collaborating with the superintendents about how to support a maintenance fund for upkeep on the building. A possible suggestion is to charge each home school \$2 per student.

Asst. Director's Report:

- Credentials – Students are working towards their Career Pathway. A student must pass 3 WebXams or obtain 12 points credentials or obtain 2 seals. There has been a large improvement in passing of the WebXams and credentials. Construction class alone went from 40% passage to 80% passage this year. Tri Star earns \$1,200 per student who passes each credential. Over two years, that has totaled \$85,000. Ag IT program test credentials in the senior program to encourage students to come back their senior year.
- WBL – (work base learning) Mr. Stetler shared a document that is used in tracking working hours. 250 working hours is needed in order for Tri Star to receive \$1,000 per student.
- CTSO – (Career Tech Student Organization) 17 students competed in SKILLS USA state competition. 2 teams from REC Tech, 3 teams from Med Prep. Each program had a team qualify for the National Competition to be held over the summer. May 4-5, FFA state convention will be held with several students from Ag IT and Animal Health attending. Tri Star students were

very active in many community events such as Angel Tree and canned food drive. The welding class donated several fire rings along with a bike rack for St Henry Library.

Recruitment/Replacement:

- Open House – Tri Star Construction house has scheduled open house to be held on May 7, May 12, May 19, May 21 with the auction on June 1 @ 7:00pm.
- Spring Events – May 1 – Spring Banquet; May 5 – Job Fair & Company Signing – kicking off Tri Star’s 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary; May 17 – Graduation/Last day for seniors; May 24 – last day of school.

Adult Education:

- Adult Education – Finished winter session with Robotics and Welding classes. ServSafe was held in April to a full class.
- Scavenger Hunt – was held on March 30 for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders along with their parent. This event was a huge success, students made a craft while searching for clues about each Tri Star program with their parent. Early Childhood Education students assisted with the scavenger hunt.
- Summer Camps – Gathering information about possibly holding a summer one-day camp for 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grade students with the construction and welding programs.
- HVAC – Several meetings with Don Gillis, instructor, about holding HVAC classes. Tentative start of the class is June 27. It will be a 20 hour class at a cost of \$325.
- Job Fair – May 5 from 9:00am – 12:30pm. Over 60 companies have committed to participate in the Job Fair. Starting at 12:00pm, will be the company signings for Tri Star students.

Reserve Capital Fund - \$109,484.08

Motion to adjourned by Randy Kunk, seconded by Rick Kremer, meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Next Meeting June 1, 2023 @ 6:00pm at 1110 Fleck Ave., Celina.

House Auction to start @ 7:00pm.