HISTORY OF THE TIPPECANOE VALLEY SCHOOL CORPORATION

Tippecanoe Valley School Corporation was established July 1, 1962, under the Reorganization Act of 1959, Chapter 202. This reorganized school corporation consisted of Henry Township in Fulton County and Seward, Franklin and Harrison Townships in Kosciusko County. At this time, the following schools were established: Grades K through 6 and 9 through 12 at Akron and Mentone, 7 and 8 at Beaver Dam, and K through 8 at Burket. Discussion also began at this time concerning a new centralized high school.

New Castle Township was annexed and merged into the Tippecanoe Valley School Corporation on August 26, 1963. This annexation included the school at Talma.

The old Burket school building was sold and dismantled in 1964 and extensive repair was done on the Akron, Beaver Dam and Talma buildings. Grade levels were set at K through 5 and 9 through 12 at Akron and Mentone, K through 5 at Burket and 6, 7 and 8 at Beaver Dam and Talma.

On January 23, 1968, the Beaver Dam Junior High School Building was extensively damaged by a fire and was subsequently demolished. Pupils were redistributed with the Beaver Dam 6th grade being moved to the Akron Elementary Building, the 7th grade to Talma and the 8th grade to the Akron High School.

After many years of discussions concerning a new centralized high school and several motions for two high schools, one, or none, a decision was finally made to build a new centralized high school on May 8, 1972.

On April 3, 1974, the Talma Junior High School was destroyed by a tornado. Children were redistributed to churches and community buildings throughout the corporation.

On January 20, 1975, students were moved into the new Tippecanoe Valley High School. The formal dedication of this new facility took place on November 16, 1975.

SUPERINTENDENTS

Baxter W. Paige

July 21, 1980 -

Dr. Lloyd W. Harrell

July 1, 1975 - June 30, 1980

Robert M. Forbes

July 1, 1962 - June 30, 1975

Assistant Superintendent/Business Managers

Robert M. Forbes, Business Manager July 1, 1975 - June 30, 1977

Roy Meredith, Asst. Superintendent May 30, 1963 - June 30, 1971

SCHOOLS OF THE TIPPECANOE VALLEY SCHOOL CORPORATION

Tippecanoe Valley High School

Akron Elementary School

Burket Elementary School

Mentone Elementary School

TIPPECANOE VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Cecil Miller
Mr. Joseph Crill
Mr. James Royer
Mr. Fred McSherry
Mr. John Mellott
July 1, 1982 (Term expires June 30, 1986)
April 9, 1984 (Term expires June 30, 1987)
December 13, 1982 (Term expires June 30, 1988)
Sept. 17, 1984 (Term expires June 30, 1988)

Mr. Richard Long July 1, 1980 - July 11, 1984 Mr. William Rogers July 1, 1982 - February 20, 1984 July 1, 1975 - June 30, 1983 Mr. Con J. Shewman July 1, 1976 - October 19, 1982 Mr. Vernon Meredith July 1, 1974 - June 30, 1982 Mr. Don Snipes Mr. Lee Norris July 1, 1978 - June 30, 1982 July 1, 1976 - June 30, 1980 Mr. Everett Besson July 1, 1974 - June 30, 1978 Mr. Fred A. Kindia Dr. Wymond Wilson July 1, 1972 - June 30, 1976 March 15, 1971 - June 30, 1975 Dr. John McKee July 1, 1970 - June 30, 1974 Mr. Maurice Coplen July 1, 1970 - June 30, 1974 Mr. Phillip Lash Mr. Richard Goshert July 1, 1968 - June 30, 1976 May 21, 1968 - June 30, 1972 Dr. Donald J. VanGilder Mr. David Burkett November 20, 1967 - June 30, 1970 July 1, 1966 - October 16, 1967 Mr. Mickey Eaton Dr. O.L. McFadden July 1, 1966 - June 30, 1970 Mr. Whitney Gast January 2, 1963 - June 30, 1966 Mr. Ralph Davis January 2, 1963 - March 15, 1971

Mr. Eldon Cumberland Mr. Gale O. Creighton

Mr. Edward Bucher

INTERIM BOARD (TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES)

January 2, 1963 - June 30, 1968

January 2, 1963 - May 13, 1968

January 2, 1963 - June 30, 1966

Mr. Lawrence Butts	July 2,	1962 -	December	31,	1962
Mr. Delford Nelson	July 2,	1962 -	December	31,	1962
Mr. H. Earl Boggs	July 2,	1962 -	December	31,	1962
Mr. Lowell Leckrone	July 2,	1962 -	December	31,	1962
Mr. Paul Fites	July 2,	1962 -	December	31,	1962

CHAIN OF COMMAND



