

Board of Education

The regular meeting of the Traverse Bay Area Intermediate School District Board of Education was held on March 5, 2019 at 1101 Red Drive, Traverse City, Michigan. President Fisher called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Birgy
Fisher

McKellar
Tank

Board Members Absent:

Carpenter
McCall

Scherrer

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion by Board Member Tank, supported by Board Member Birgy, to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: 4; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Welcome Visitors & Public Comment:

None

Student/Staff/Local District Presentations:

Behavior Support Systems in LEA's:

Carol Greilick, Assistant Superintendent for Special Education introduced Brooke Laurent, Service Area Supervisor, Angie Nichols and Amy Branco, Behavior Consultants who presented the behavior department priorities. The behavior team supports the work of Individualized Education Program (IEP) in meeting the needs of students who receive special education services in local districts, New Campus and builds professional development opportunities for staff throughout the five county region. All team members are Non-Violent Crisis Intervention instructors and coach implementation of evidenced based behavior supports across Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS). Each member participates in observations across settings and develop data to coordinate plans. Behavior staff serve as a liaison for local school district teams and New Campus School to engage in problem solving needs for students and build capacity.

Motion by Board Member McKellar, supported by Board Member Birgy, to approve consent grouping items 1-4 as presented.

1. Minutes of February 5, 2019 regular meeting
2. Monthly Accounts Payable Check Summary and Financial Report February 1, 2019 to February 28, 2019. Check Numbers: 178913-179215. Total for Month: \$3,589,336.66
3. A. New Employees:
 - Thomas Burton, Teacher Assistant, effective February 25, 2019
 - Christina Hay, Technology Support Specialist, effective April 1, 2019B. Employee Resignations:
 - Deb Nelson, Supervisor, Special Education, effective June 30, 2019 (retirement 25 years)
 - Jacob Moord, Paraprofessional, Film & New Media, effective March 31, 2019
 - Theresa LaParr, Teacher Assistant, effective March 6, 2019
 - Mary Aldridge, Teacher Consultant, revised effective date April 12, 2019 (retirement 24 years)
4. Approval of Out of State Travel:
 1. Chris Haines, Mechatronics Instructor, to attend Industrial Hydraulic Technology training, Elyria, Ohio, March 25-29, 2019.
 2. Ashley Troy and Carrie Vandlandschoot, Literacy Facilitators, to attend National Literacy Conference, March 18 – 22, 2019, Atlanta, Georgia (all expenses sponsored by conference, except mileage to/from airport)

3. Andy Mosqueda, Migrant student and family to attend Ohio Technical College, Cleveland, Ohio, February 14-15, 2019. (Title I Part C grant encourages parent participation in school events including parent reimbursement or stipends to allow for college visits that may occur in or out of state)

Roll call vote: Ayes: 4; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Birgy, supported by Board Member McKellar to approve Regional Common Calendar 2019-2024 as presented noting input from local districts superintendents to change around the date for Regional Staff Development Day. Roll call vote: Ayes: 4; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member McKellar, supported by Board Member Tank to approve extension of supervisor contracts for 2019-20: Paul Bauer, Linda Bielecki, Brent Boerema, John Breithaupt, Kristen Deering, Yvonne Donohoe McCool, Rebecca Goodwin, Julie Gordon, Marty Guiney, Michael Hartman, Leigh Kennedy, Karen Kluesner-Spring, Brooke Laurent, Stephanie Long, Candida Marek, Matthew Nausadis, Emily Quinn, Brandi Reynolds, Rena Spencer, and Kim Urbanski. Roll call vote: Ayes: 4; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Birgy, supported by Board Member McKellar to approve Resolution of Support: School Finance Research Collaborative Study:

WHEREAS, the School Finance Research Collaborative is a diverse group of business leaders and education experts, from Metro Detroit to the U.P., who agree it's time to change the way Michigan's schools are funded; and

WHEREAS, the School Finance Research Collaborative has completed Michigan's first comprehensive school adequacy study, providing a roadmap to fixing Michigan's broken school funding approach; and

WHEREAS, the School Finance Research Collaborative commissioned the nation's top two school finance research firms to determine the true cost of educating a student, informed by nearly 300 Michigan educators from across the state; and

WHEREAS, recognizing that all children are unique and many learn differently, the School Finance Research Collaborative report provides a base cost for student achievement in Michigan, with additional funding considerations for special education, English Language Learners, Career and Technical education and students living in poverty; and

WHEREAS, the study concluded that it costs a minimum \$9,590 to educate a regular education child in Michigan, regardless of location, income, learning challenges or other circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the study concluded that Michigan's school funding approach also must take into account district size, districts in geographically isolated areas, and differing transportation costs; and

WHEREAS, many of Michigan's public schools are struggling to meet student performance standards, and our students will continue to fall behind if our school funding approach doesn't address their wide-ranging needs and provide the support services necessary to help meet those needs; and

WHEREAS, every child learns differently, and to improve student performance we must change how we fund Michigan's schools to address the individual learning needs of all students.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Traverse Bay Area Intermediate School District Board of Education supports the findings of the School Finance Research Collaborative study and encourages the Legislature and Governor to adopt a new, fairer school funding model.

Roll call vote: Ayes: 4; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Tank, supported by Board Member McKellar to approve AECOM Purchase Order in the amount of \$82,828 for the continued remediation to Pine Grove Subdivision. Roll call vote: Ayes: 4; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Discussion Items:

Dr. Nick Ceglarek:

We will be scheduling local school district visits in April to provide information on the ISD General Education Budget. Statute requires local school boards to act at their May Board of Education meetings. We will also be sharing special and vocational education budgets.

Information Items:

Dr. Nick Ceglarek:

Thanked board members for reviewing the draft survey questions that will be sent out to local school superintendents, principals and TBAISD staff. The next phase will be working on parent and student surveys. The surveys will be the baseline data which will drive our direction for a continuous improvement cycle. Information will be collected and shared in a report to the Board of Education and part of our two-day work session on June 19-20 with board members and leadership team.

Updates:

Dr. Nick Ceglarek:

1. Today a group of students, staff, Pat Lamb and I participated in the Manufacturing Summit Day with about 140 participants. We are very encouraged with the direction of Career-Tech Center with our programming and supporting the future of manufacturing as well as our initiative to secure grant dollars with the Marshall Plan with respect to automation.

Board Member Reports/Requests:

None

Dates to Remember:

March 25-29, 2019 TBAISD Spring Break
April 2-3, 2019 Career-Tech Center 8th Grade Visits
April 9, 2019 Board of Education Meeting
June 19-20, 2019 Long Range Strategic Planning session

The meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Joseph Fisher, President

Elizabeth McKellar, Secretary