

Board of Education

The meeting of Northwest Education Services Board of Education was held on September 5, 2023. Board President Fisher called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll call

Board Members Present:

Brown
Fisher
Lajko

Scherrer
Thomas

Board Members Absent:

Birgy
Petrella

Motion by Member Brown, supported by Member Scherrer, to approve the September 5, 2023 agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: 5; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Welcomed Visitors & Public Comment

There were none

Student/Staff/Local District Highlights/Presentations/Recognitions:

SAIL(ORS) On Deck – Organizational Recognition System

Board of Education members recognized this month's SAIL(ORS) On Deck. This month's standout is Pat Sigsbey, Custodian at Career Tech, who has exemplified strengths in the organizational value of Service, presented in recognition of responding to the needs of our learning community.

Motion by Board Member Scherrer, supported by Board Member Lajko, to approve consent grouping items 1-3 as presented.

1. Minutes of August 1, 2023 regular meeting
2. Monthly Accounts Payable Check Summary and Financial Report August 1, 2023 to August 31, 2023. Check Numbers: 193807-194023. Total for Month: \$3,743,059.95
3. Personnel:
 - A. New Position:
 - Budget Manager, effective September, 2023
 - B. New Employees:
 - Julie Churchill, School Social Worker, effective August 30, 2023
 - Jennifer Unger, Receptionist, effective August 14, 2023
 - Jennifer Cramer, School Social Worker, effective August 30, 2023
 - Andrea Greck, Teacher Assistant, effective August 30, 2023
 - Brook Brewington, Teacher Assistant, effective August 30, 2023
 - Amber Darin, Early Childhood Specialist, effective September, 2023
 - Robin Hornkohl, Great Start Collaborative Coordinator, effective October 1, 2023
 - Erin Sanford, Teacher Assistant, effective August 30, 2023
 - Julie Jaracz, Teacher Assistant, effective August 30, 2023
 - Christine Webb, Custodian, effective September 5, 2023
 - Cadence Wrobel, Teacher Assistant, effective September 6, 2023
 - Hannah Boomer, Teacher Assistant, effective August 30, 2023

- Stephanie Niepoth, Preschool Mental Health Specialist, effective October 2, 2023
- Tamara Lloyd, Speech Pathologist, effective September 5, 2023
- Miaya Running, Teacher Assistant, effective September 25, 2023

C. Employee Resignations:

- Abigail Grant, Teacher Assistant, effective August 8, 2023
- Amanda Bailiff, Teacher Assistant, effective July 31, 2023
- Lauren Ferris, Paraprofessional, effective August 1, 2023
- Leah Novak, Teacher Assistant, effective August 3, 2023
- Alison Stephens, Paraprofessional, effective August 10, 2023
- Ron Russell, Teacher Assistant, effective August 11, 2023 (retirement 9 years)
- Angela Nichols, Engagement and Behavior Specialist, effective August 14, 2023
- Danielle Burkett, Teacher Assistant, effective August 10, 2023
- Justin Vogler, ASD Teacher, effective August 7, 2023
- Michelle Laylin, Teacher Assistant, effective August 21, 2023
- Angela Hartman, Teacher Assistant, effective August 25, 2023
- Kaitlyn Lampen, Speech Pathologist, effective August 28, 2023

Roll call vote: Ayes: 5; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Scherrer, supported by Board Member Lajko to approve Contract with Arts for All Northern Michigan in the amount of \$45,000. Roll call vote: Ayes: 5; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Brown, supported by Board Member Scherrer to approve Interagency Cash Transfer Agreement for Special Education with Michigan Rehabilitation Services in the amount of \$86,700. Roll call vote: Ayes: 5; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Scherrer, supported by Board Member Brown to approve Contract with Mr. Jay's Music Room for music experiences in the amount of \$41,625. Roll call vote: Ayes: 5; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Brown, supported by Board Member Thomas to approve Aviation Maintenance Training Equipment from Avotek in the amount of \$84,805. Roll call vote: Ayes: 5; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Scherrer, supported by Board Member Lajko to approve Interagency Cash Transfer Agreement for Vocational Education with Michigan Rehabilitation Services in the amount of \$43,380. Roll call vote: Ayes: 5; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Brown, supported by Board Member Scherrer to approve Thrun Board Policies #2303; #2306; #2404A; #2501; #2501A; #3118; #3301A; #3303; #3308; #3405; #3407; #3408; #4101; #4102; #4103; #4105; #4216; #4220; #4227; #4228; #4404; #4504; #5202; #5419; #5510; #5707. Roll call vote: Ayes: 5; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Information Items: There were none

Discussion Items:

A work session has been scheduled for October 17, 2023 Special Meeting for Audit Presentation at 4:30 p.m.

Updates:

Superintendent's Report - Dr. Nick Ceglarek:

1. Our enrollment at Career Tech with 22 programs is at 1,226 students this school year. Thanked staff for promoting our programs.
2. The annual Career Tech Golf Scholarship outing is on September 17.
3. The Munson Healthcare contract that was approved last month will not be executed due to the cancelation of the contract. We appreciate the partnership we have had with Munson and appreciate our staff for working through this request for the next school year.
4. Thanked Jim Scherrer for attending our opening day for staff. This year's theme was North Ed's Got Talent and everyone did an amazing job. Students in our special education programs returned today and tomorrow Career Tech students start the school year.

Board Member Reports/Requests:

There were none.

Dates to Remember:

Career Tech Scholarship Golf Event Sunday, September 17, 2023, Grand Traverse Resort
October 3, 2023 Board of Education Meeting 5:30 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Joseph Fisher, President

Rachael Birgy, Secretary