The meeting of the Traverse Bay Area Intermediate School District Board of Education was held on September 3, 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
Brown Scherrer
Carpenter Tank

Motion by Member Carpenter, supported by Member Scherrer, to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: 6; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Welcome Visitors & Public Comment:

No public comment.

Student/Staff/Local District Presentations:

Teacher Becky Westphal and student Austin Darga presented a video he created on his proposal and rationale for a therapy dog at Life Skills Center. Dr. Ceglarek thanked Austin for his presentation and the conversation held with himself and Carol Greilick last spring regarding his advocacy on this subject matter. Austin thanked board members for letting him present on this and how it would be worth the effort knowing more students would benefit from a therapy animal at Life Skills Center.

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

1. Minutes of August 6, 2019 regular meeting
3. A. New Employees:
   - Erin Ryan, Teacher Consultant, effective August 28, 2019
   - Emily Hansen, Paraprofessional, effective August 28, 2019
   - Rick Vandermolen, High Impact Coach, effective August 19, 2019
   - Lauren Lozowski, Job Coach, effective August 28, 2019
   - Sonya Perreault, Secretary, effective August 19, 2019
   - Yeng Vang, Systems Integration Specialist, effective August 19, 2019
   - Rachel Creamer, Secretary, effective August 19, 2019
   - Susan McAuliffe, Behavior Support Assistant, effective August 26, 2019
   - Aislyn Johnson, Secondary Literacy Consultant, effective August 22, 2019
   - Kathryn Payne, ASD Teacher, effective August 28, 2019
   - Catherine Howe, Teacher Assistant, effective August 28, 2019
   - Kenneth Graham, Computer Technician, effective August 19, 2019
   - Dustin Derrer, Paraprofessional, effective August 28, 2019
   - Jennifer Jesse, Secretary, effective August 28, 2019
   - Lydia Tracey, Teacher Assistant, effective August 28, 2019
   - Debra Hunter, Teacher Assistant, effective September 4, 2019
   - Amber Grody, Teacher Assistant, effective September 4, 2019
3. C. Employee Resignations:
   - Steve Krygier, EI Teacher, effective June 30, 2019 (Retirement 23 years)
   - Shannon Taylor, Teacher Assistant, effective August 8, 2019
   - Jennifer Whitson, Speech Pathologist, effective August 2, 2019
- Laura Parker, School Social Worker, effective August 8, 2019
- Molly Leach, Teacher Assistant, effective August 9, 2019
- Jessica Larson, ASD Teacher, effective August 12, 2019
- Amy Pilarski, Teacher Assistant, effective August 14, 2019
- Debra Pelton, Accountant, effective December 4, 2019 (Retirement 5 years)
- Cary Walter, Teacher Assistant, effective August 23, 2019
- Chery Vogel, Teacher Assistant, effective August 23, 2019

4. Approval of Out of State Travel
2. Jared Diephouse, Instructor for Power Equipment Technology and student to attend Tomorrow’s Technicians Today at Skills USA National Conference, Louisville, Kentucky, October 16-18, 2019. (Student took third place; all expenses paid)
3. Marvin Nordeen, School Psychologist, to attend National Association School Psychologists Executive Board meeting September 13-15, 2019 in Washington, D.C. and to attend annual convention February 16-21, 2020, Baltimore, Maryland. (NASP will cover travel, food and half of the accommodations; ISD will cover the other half of accommodations)

Roll call vote: Ayes: 6; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Scherrer, supported by Board Member Birgy to approve Regional Staff Development Day (RSDD) Speaker Paul Tough Contract in the amount of $27,500. Roll call vote: Ayes: 6; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Birgy, supported by Board Member Carpenter to approve Contract for Great Start Readiness Preschool Mental Health Services for Spratt LLC in the amount of $40,000. Roll call vote: Ayes: 6; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Scherrer, supported by Board Member Brown to approve Great Start Readiness Preschool Early Childhood Specialist Contract for Theresa O’Boyle in the amount of $46,500. Roll call vote: Ayes: 6; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Carpenter, supported by Board Member Scherrer to approve Contract with Traverse Connect for Great Start Collaborative Coordinator and Parent Liaison in the amount of $116,880. Roll call vote: Ayes: 6; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Scherrer, supported by Board Member Brown to approve Great Start Readiness Program Early Childhood Specialist with Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency (NMCAA) in the amount of $59,400. Roll call vote: Ayes: 6; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Birgy, supported by Board Member Carpenter to approve Interagency Cash Transfer Agreement for Special Education with Michigan Rehabilitation Services in the amount of $86,700. Roll call vote: Ayes: 6; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Carpenter, supported by Board Member Scherrer to approve Contract with Public Consultant Group (PCG) for EasyIEP software in the amount of $65,200. Roll call vote: Ayes: 6; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Carpenter, supported by Board Member Birgy to approve Interagency Cash Transfer Agreement for Vocational Education with Michigan Rehabilitation Services in the amount of $43,380. Roll call vote: Ayes: 6; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Brown, supported by Board Member Scherrer to approve Contract with National Writers Series with Erica Berry in the amount of $24,730. Roll call vote: Ayes: 6; Nays: 0. Motion carried.
Motion by Board Member Brown, supported by Board Member Scherrer to approve Snow Bid Removal Contract for 2019 and 2020 with Gray’s Excavating, Inc. Roll call vote: Ayes: 6; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Carpenter, supported by Board Member Birgy to approve Van Bid for special education from Don’s Auto Clinic in the amount of $24,300. Roll call vote: Ayes: 6; Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Motion by Board Member Carpenter, supported by Board Member Birgy to approve Board Policies #0100, #0167.2, #1422.01, #3122.01, #4122.01, #2210, #2410, #2414, #3120, #3120.04, #3131.01, #4140, #6321, #6325, #6605, #8400, #8402, #8500. Roll call vote: Ayes: 4; Nays: 2. Motion carried.

Information Items:

There were none.

Discussion Items:
A. Dr. Nick Ceglarek asked Board members to consider a work session on Thursday, October 24, 2019. Agenda items would include a presentation from auditors on our annual audit, update on strategic plan committee work, and information on Dean Transportation and special education study and update. Members agreed to meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Updates:
A. Superintendent’s Report - Dr. Nick Ceglarek:

1. Thanked board members for attending the opening day session with staff last week. He thanked the leadership team for setting the vision for the day along with the support of our technology staff. He sent out a survey today for opening day feedback.

2. All of the board action items approved for Great Start Readiness are contingent upon us having a budget by October 1. If the budget is not approved it will effect programming. There is no budget deal as of today.

3. Today marked the first school day for students attending special education programs. He shared some disappointing news regarding Dean Transportation. They are not able to institute the regional plan we have discussed. We had anticipated 34 runs to start the school year to reduce ride times and this morning there were only 27 runs due to a large part of shortage of bus drivers. Thanked Carol Greilick and Linda Bielecki for their efforts as we work with Dean Transportation on this issue. We will provide support as much as we can knowing we will have further conversations about this. Administration learned about the shortage last Friday. The bus driver shortage is not unique to this region, as it effects the whole state.

Board Member Reports/Requests:

Board Members Carpenter and Scherrer shared it was a great opening day for staff today and the room had a great vibe.

Dates to Remember:
A. September 15, 2019 CTC Scholarship Golf Outing - Grand Traverse Resort

The meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Joseph Fisher, President Rachael Birgy, Secretary