

Board of Education

The meeting of Northwest Education Services Board of Education was held on February 4, 2025 in the ISD Conference Center, 1101 Red Drive, Traverse City, MI 49684. Vice President Birgy called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll call

Board Members Present:	Board Members Absent:
Birgy Scherrer	Fisher
Brown Thomas	Petrella
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Pledge of Allegiance

Motion by Board Member Brown, supported by Board Member Scherrer, to approve the February 4, 2025 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 Hannah Barraw, School Psychologist, who has exemplified strengths in the organizational value of Service, responding to the needs of our learning community.

In addition to Hannah's recognition, the following staff were nominated this past month for Sailor's on Deck: Debby Oliver, Maggie Johnson, Samantha Tourre, Dan Swank, Jana Miseta, and Barry Bialik.

Career Tech Month – Health Sciences Program:

Pat Lamb announced that the Health Science Program received the Excellence in Practice award from the Michigan Department of Education Office of Career and Technical Education last week at the state conference in Grand Rapids. This program has also reunited our direct credit with partners Munson Hospital and Grand Valley State University (GVSU) that include multiple certifications. Pat introduced the entire staff from Health Sciences: Instructors Dawn Anton, Liz Miller, Alison Stephens, paraprofessionals Kristie Reicha, Dawn Hankins, Kate Clair and ELA instructor Sarah Bernstein. The team reviewed the programs year one and two program structure that includes healthcare professions, healthcare practice, function and disease, job shadow experience, medical terminology, patient care skills, OSHA and work experience. This school year we have 100 students in the first-year program and 70 students in the second-year program. Students can earn up to 8 direct college credits over the 2-year program with GVSU. This past school year the program implemented Teddy Bear Clinic for kindergartens led by Health Science and Early Childhood students giving them exposure to basic medical equipment and procedures using their "stuffers" as the patient. This has impacted children to improve their hospital experiences and interactions between children and healthcare professionals.

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

1. Minutes of January 7, 2025 regular meeting
2. Monthly Accounts Payable Check Summary and Financial Report January 1, 2025 to January 31, February 4, 2025

2025. Check Numbers: 198376-198664. Total for Month: \$5,125,522.94

3. Personnel:

a. New Employees:

- Emmett Burns, Teacher Assistant, January 13, 2025
- Averi Scully, Teacher Assistant, effective January 27, 2025
- Paul Goodno, Custodian, effective January 27, 2025
- Lyndsay Platz, Teacher Assistant, effective February 10, 2025
- Abbey Miller, Teacher Assistant, effective February 10, 2025

b. Employee Resignations:

- Jody Stray, Teacher, effective January 17, 2025
- Michelle Moeggenberg, Literacy Facil., eff. June 30, 2025 (Retirement 15 years)
- Alaina Heck, Teacher Assistant, effective January 17, 2025
- Claudia Revilla, Teacher Assistant, effective January 31, 2025
- Natalya Chegudi, Speech Pathologist, effective February 12, 2025
- Aaron Cliff, Teacher Assistant, effective February 14, 2025

4. Approve Out of State Travel

1. Engineering Academy & Robotics/Automation Program Staff Michael George, Debby Oliver, Sarah Kolle, Deb Menchaca, Alie Junga, and 41 engineering students and 1 robotics/automation student, to attend National Robotics Competition, Marion, Ohio, April 2-5, 2025.

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

Motion by Board Member Brown, supported by Board Member Thomas to approve General Education, Special Education, Vocational Education 2024-25 Budget Amendments:

General Education Fund – Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-25:

REVENUES:

Local Sources.....	\$ 3,959,032
Intermediate Sources.....	-0-
State Sources.....	17,827,702
Federal Sources.....	1,714,899
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 23,501,633

INCOMING TRANSFERS

AND OTHER TRANSACTIONS	\$ 3,120,932
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TOTAL REVENUES, INCOMING TRANSFERS AND OTHER TRANSACTIONS	<u>\$ 26,622,565</u>
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EXPENDITURES:

Instruction Expense:

Basic Program.....	433,894
Added Needs.....	810,451
Adult and Continuing	-0-

Support Services:

Pupil	710,715
Instructional Staff.....	5,716,025
General Administration	679,222
School Administration.....	-0-
Business	1,185,638
Operation & Maintenance	602,104
Pupil Transportation	64,929
Central.....	1,866,540
Other.....	23,750
Community Services.....	471,288

TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$12,564,556
OUTGOING TRANSFERS AND OTHER TRANSACTIONS	\$13,770,171
TOTAL APPROPRIATED	<u>\$26,334,727</u>
EXCESS REVENUE (APPROPRIATIONS)	287,838
FUND BALANCE JULY 1	<u>2,906,870</u>
FUND BALANCE JUNE 30	<u>3,194,708</u>

Special Education Fund – Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-25:

REVENUES:

Local Sources.....	\$ 37,578,074
Intermediate Sources.....	-0-
State Sources	27,588,143
Federal Sources.....	7,103,152
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 72,269,369

INCOMING TRANSFERS AND OTHER TRANSACTIONS	\$ 1,818,368
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TOTAL REVENUES, INCOMING TRANSFERS AND OTHER TRANSACTIONS	<u>\$ 74,087,737</u>
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EXPENDITURES:

Instruction Expense:

Basic Program.....	-0-
Added Needs.....	17,469,218
Adult and Continuing	-0-

Support Services:

Pupil	28,442,210
Instructional Staff.....	4,027,813
General Administration	110,129
School Administration.....	1,225,016
Business.....	1,375,382
Operation & Maintenance	1,550,040
Pupil Transportation	5,715,537
Central.....	1,926,597
Other.....	725
Community Services.....	323,407

TOTAL EXPENDITURES	62,166,074
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Outgoing Transfers and Other Transactions	12,782,051
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TOTAL APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 74,948,125</u>
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EXCESS REVENUE (APPROPRIATIONS)	(860,388)
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FUND BALANCE JULY 1	<u>9,849,498</u>
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FUND BALANCE JUNE 30	<u>8,989,110</u>
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COMMITTED FOR DISTRIBUTION TO LEAs	98,582
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RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE JUNE 30.....	\$ 8,890,528
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Vocational Education Fund – Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-25:

REVENUES:

Local Sources.....	\$ 11,778,511
Intermediate Sources.....	-0-
State Sources.....	1,795,902
Federal Sources.....	273,908
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 13,848,321
INCOMING TRANSFERS AND OTHER TRANSACTIONS	\$ 38,000
TOTAL REVENUES, INCOMING TRANSFERS AND OTHER TRANSACTIONS	\$ <u>13,886,321</u>
EXPENDITURES:	
Instruction Expense:	
Basic Program.....	-0-
Added Needs.....	6,916,072
Adult and Continuing	-0-
Support Services:	
Pupil	984,510
Instructional Staff.....	473,912
General Administration	288,434
School Administration.....	609,937
Business.....	278,321
Operation & Maintenance	1,323,748
Pupil Transportation	37,595
Central.....	658,464
Other.....	27,071
Community Services.....	17,256
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 11,615,320
Outgoing Transfers and Other Transactions	2,350,197
TOTAL APPROPRIATED	\$ <u>13,965,517</u>
EXCESS REVENUE (APPROPRIATIONS)	(79,196)
FUND BALANCE JULY 1	<u>1,745,555</u>
FUND BALANCE JULY 30	<u>1,666,359</u>

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

Motion by Board Member Scherrer, supported by Board Member Thomas to approve North Ed Sexuality-Education Advisory Board Members as follows:

Chair: Leigh Kennedy
Co-Chair/Parent: Riley Denison
Clergy member: Chad Oyer
Student Representative: Jake Kindzierski
Student Representative: Andrew Peavler

Creekside School:

Nurse: Jay Barclay
Parent Representative: Bethany Faunce

New Horizons:

Parent: Riley Denison
Teacher/Parent- Nikki Johnson

Bridgeway:

Nurse: Michael Kiem
Parent Representative: William Zopff

Life Skills Center:

Dept. Chair: Sarah Olee
Nurse: Shannon Rice
Parent Representative: Christine Peavler
Transition Campus parent representative: Chris Kindzierski

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

Updates:

Superintendent's Report - Dr. Nick Ceglarek:

1. On February 1 he was invited to attend a roundtable with Senator Elissa Slotkin and community leaders meeting at Munson's new Mental Health Crisis and Access Center with a tour. She was very aware of education concerns regarding funding and resources for teacher preparation and educator housing.
2. Congratulated Mimi Kinney, transition coordinator for North Ed in receiving this year's Michigan Council for Exceptional Children's Dr. Dawn Gallup Honor.
3. There is a lot of discussion around educational topics or possible implications from executive orders that pertain to funding of IDEA, Perkins and other federal dollars that support our programs. We have this high on our radar and will continue to share information with our staff. We have incredible staff serving our families and we are doing our best to navigate what we are hearing to best inform everyone in a timely manner.

Board Member Reports/Requests:

Dr. Ceglarek reminded board members of the superintendent posting deadline this Friday, February 7. He shared an update from MLI Consultant Peter Haines that 20 applications are in process with 12 of those that finished the submission to apply.

There were none

Dates to Remember:

February 20, 2025 Board of Education Special Meeting 3:00 p.m.
March 4, 2025 Board of Education Meeting 5:30 p.m.
March 3-6, 2025 Special Board Meetings (Times to be determined in evening)

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Joseph Fisher, President

Lisa Thomas, Secretary