



MINUTES

Regular Meeting of July 13, 2022

1. Call to Order

President Loy called to order the meeting of the Livingston Educational Service Agency Board of Education at 6:03 p.m. on Wednesday, July 13, 2022 at the LESA Education Center, 1425 W. Grand River, Howell, Michigan.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Roll Call

Present were:

Board Members: President Loy
Vice President Cortez
Treasurer Kaiser
Secretary Fryer
Trustee Jankowski – joined via Zoom

LESA Staff: Dr. Michael Hubert, Sean LaRosa, Judy Paulsen, Jonathan Tobar, Stephanie Weese – joined via Zoom

C. Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Jankowski and seconded by Kaiser to approve the agenda as presented.

A roll call vote was taken. Jankowski voted YES, Kaiser voted YES, Fryer voted YES, Cortez voted YES and Loy voted YES.

The motion carried unanimously.

2. Call to the Public/Correspondence

The President asked if anyone wished to speak on any items or had received correspondence.

There was no correspondence or public comment at this time.

3. Approval of Consent Agenda

It was moved by Cortez and seconded by Jankowski to approve the Consent Agenda as revised in the Superintendent's Recommendations.

A roll call vote was taken. Cortez voted YES, Jankowski voted YES, Kaiser voted YES, Fryer voted YES and Loy voted YES.

The motion carried unanimously.

A. Superintendent's Recommendations

001-022-023

The Board approve the recommendation to appoint Katie Morningstar to represent Brighton on the Special Education Parent Advisory Committee for the 2022-2023 school year. This term will be effective through June 30, 2023.

Katie represented LESA for the first 2 years of her 3-year term. Her child will be moving from the LESA program to Brighton next school year.

002-022-023

The Board approve overnight travel August 15-17, 2022, Traverse City for Sean LaRosa and Lisa Pecorilli to attend the Early Math Leadership Institute. Overnight travel for Candice Davies and Sara Leggett was also previously approved, but they will not be attending.

B. Personnel Board Report

The Personnel Board Report was presented for approval.

C. Approval: Financial Information

The following financials were presented for approval:

- Check Register of May 2022
- Purchase Card Transactions of May 2022

D. Approval: Minutes

The following minutes were presented for approval:

- Regular Board Meeting of June 8, 2022

4. Presentation

- A. Stephanie Weese provided an update and answered questions from the Board about the State Budget.

5. Discussion Items

A. Board Memberships

Superintendent Hubert provided a brief update and addressed questions from the Board regarding Board Memberships for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

B. AESA & ACTE Conferences

Superintendent Hubert provided information regarding the annual conference for the Association of Educational Service Agencies ("AESA") and the Association for Career and

Technical Education ("ACTE") and outlined the possible benefits of the Board attending the ACTE conference in Las Vegas rather than the AESA conference in Atlanta.

6. Action Item(s)

A. Resolution to join "The Pool" (West Michigan Health Insurance Pool)

The Agency is currently offering health insurance plans through Blue Cross Blue Shield (PPO plans) and Blue Care Network (HMO plans). The pricing for the plans is based upon the experience rating of our group of employees as we do not currently belong to a consortium or pool. The rate renewals since moving from MESSA to BCBSM/BCN in 2018 have ranged from a decrease of 13.6% to an increase of 20.6%, depending upon the plan. The Agency currently offers two HMO plans and two PPO plans.

Through the Regional Transportation Collaborative process of exploring health insurance coverages for the transportation group, the Agency worked with Gallagher Benefit Services to gather quotes. The respondents were: Blue Cross Blue Shield (adding the Transportation group to our current plan structure), Priority Health, and The Pool. The Pool, offering Blue Cross Blue Shield PPO plans with competitive rates was the most cost effective. The Pool began as the West Michigan Health Insurance Pool and has expanded to include participants statewide. There are currently 85 school districts, 6 community colleges and 26 government entities participating in The Pool, which equates to 12,028 employees. On average, the rate renewals through The Pool over the last five years range from 1.9% to 6.3%. Joining a consortium like The Pool minimizes the risk and exposure for The Agency.

The Regional Transportation Collaborative would like to offer two PPO plans through The Pool beginning on August 1st. The Agency is also looking at the possibility of moving all employees to The Pool in January, depending upon the rate renewal from Blue Cross on the current plans, and how competitive the quote is from The Pool. The health insurance committee met in June to review the current Pool options and to discuss the possibility of joining the Pool for the January 2023 renewal. The committee was supportive of exploring the option and we will reconvene the committee once the renewal rates and quotes from the Pool are gathered in the Fall.

In order to offer The Pool plans, The Agency must pass a board resolution to become a member of The Pool. The resolution is attached for your review.

It was moved by Jankowski and seconded by Kaiser that the Board approve joining The West Michigan Health Insurance Pool as of July 1, 2022.

A roll call vote was taken. Jankowski voted YES, Kaiser voted YES, Cortez voted YES, Fryer voted YES, and Loy voted YES.

The motion carried unanimously.

B. First Impression Print & Marketing Approval – Pathway Planners

In accordance with procedures regarding purchases from First Impression Print and Marketing, Board approval is being requested in an approximate amount of \$551.27 for the

purchase of monthly planners for Pathway staff for the 2022-2023 school year. (Amount is based on the 2021-2022 amount because First Impression Print and Marketing was closed at the time this quote was needed for the Board.)

Transactions less than \$5,000:

1. Board Vice-President Don Cortez shall provide written disclosure of the transaction to the Board President at least seven days prior to the meeting at which the transaction will be considered for approval by the Board of Education.
2. The Board President shall include the disclosure in the Agency's Open Meetings Act notices at least 18 hours before the meeting occurs.
3. Approval of the transaction must occur in open session and by two-thirds' vote of the full board (which is all four members, excluding Don Cortez).
4. After the transaction is approved by the Board of Education First Impression Print and Marketing may begin work to fulfill the transaction.
5. After the transaction is successfully completed payment may be made to First Impression Print and Marketing up to the amount approved by the Board of Education.

It was moved by Jankowski and seconded by Kaiser that the Board approve the purchase of planners for Pathway staff in an amount not to exceed \$600 from First Impression Print and Marketing.

A roll call vote was taken. Jankowski voted YES, Kaiser voted YES, Fryer voted YES, Loy voted YES, and Cortez ABSTAINED.

The motion carried unanimously.

C. Amendment to Schedule of 2022-2023 Board Meeting Dates

Background: At the June 15th board meeting it was suggested by Secretary Fryer that the Board hold a retreat during the fall. The October 12th board meeting could be designated for that purpose. After the regular meeting is conducted the Board could re-convene at a separate location for a retreat or remain in the Innovation Room at the Education Center.

It was moved by Kaiser and seconded by Jankowski that the board amend the Schedule of 2022-2023 Board Meeting Dates to designate October 12th as a Regular Meeting and as a Board Retreat. Further, the Board President will designate the venue for the Board Retreat.

A roll call vote was taken. Kaiser voted YES, Jankowski voted YES, Fryer voted YES, Kaiser voted YES, and Loy voted YES.

The motion carried unanimously.

D. Superintendent Contract Amendment

It was moved by Fryer and seconded by Kaiser to approved the contract as presented.

A roll call vote was taken. Fryer voted YES, Kaiser voted YES, Jankowski voted YES, Cortez voted YES, and Loy voted YES.

The motion carried unanimously.

7. Reports

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Hubert:

- Stated he will be in the dunk tank for the ARC Saturday at the Taste of Brighton.
- Reported that he and Doug Haseley will be working with Alt+Shift to record a video August 5.
- Reported that July 21 he, Sean and Jonathan will meet with the superintendents, the Flippen Group and Horacio Sanchez to look at neuroscience and leadership constraints.
- Reported on the passing of Pathway student, Tommy Masters.
- Talked about the possibility of recognizing adult education graduates at Board meetings.

8. Board Discussion

There was discussion about updating the Board member pictures and changing the way the pictures are displayed.

It was also shared that Mrs. Jankowski has decided to continue her term on the Board.

9. Adjournment

It was moved by Kaiser and seconded by Jankowski to adjourn the meeting.

Loy declared the meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold E. Fryer
Secretary

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