

## Board of Education

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**Monday, September 25, 2017**  
Regular Board Meeting

### 1 OPENING ITEMS

- 1.01 The Meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM.
- 1.02 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag/Moment of Silence
- 1.03 Roll Call

**Present:**

P. Lakatos, J. McCoy, D. Meyers, R. Miller, D. Stellini, T. Zorn, B. Honeycutt  
B. Williams

**Excused:**

All Present

1.04 Approval of Agenda

Motion by D. Stellini, support by P. Lakatos, to approve the Agenda.

Ayes: 7      Nays: 0      Carried: 7 – 0

1.05 Approval of Minutes

- Regular Board Minutes 09.11.17
- Special Board Meeting Minutes 09.18.17

Motion by T. Zorn, support by R. Miller, to approve Regular Board Minutes 09.11.17, Special Board Meeting Minutes 09.18.17.

Ayes: 7      Nays: 0      Carried: 7 – 0

### 2 REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

2.01 Superintendent's/Asst. Superintendent's Report

**Superintendent's Report:**

- Since the last board meeting, two teachers have been moved to Moody and Myers Elementary to accommodate the over-full kindergarten classes. Pupil accounting continues to enroll students daily and to date has an actual confirmed count of 6,383.
- Managing high Temperatures and making decisions about student and staff safety: Several calls to the BOE office have questioned how the closure decisions are managed. The TSD follows the Michigan public schools standard of a minimum of 180 days of instruction and a minimum of 1098 hours of instruction. TSD has 6 allowed inclement weather days for the entire school year. Falling below the minimum days and hours requires the district to add days/or hours. Regardless of the time of year, each decision is evaluated on a case by case basis, with a balance between student and staff safety, and providing a critical day of instruction. This decision includes input from 1. Short and long term weather forecasts, 2. TSD facilities director, principals, TFT Leadership and cabinet, 3. County health department if available (updates and guidance will be issued in the winter for extreme cold and wind chill warnings. Rarely are they issued in the summer. None were issued for this past

week), 4. Area superintendents. Last week and this week have been unseasonably warm with highs in the high 80's and low 90's. Upstairs classrooms at Taylor Parks, Kennedy and West were warm and uncomfortable. According to the NOAA chart, temps of 90 degrees with 55% humidity put us in the middle of the "extreme caution" range. Closure or early dismissal would be when the heat index climbs or is forecasted to climb into the danger range.

- T-Mobile would like to lease space behind the board annex at the tower. Currently waiting on the proposal from T-Mobile
- Dr. Rod Green will be available on Wednesday's as Project Manager of the High School Merger.
- Worked with Phil Sommerville on the Student Survey.

#### **Assistant Superintendent's Report:**

- Explore Edu – The TSD is hosting the Explore EDU this Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 8:30-3:00 PM in the Truman gym. The technology conference is supported by Tierney and Google. There are 50 educators from around the tri-county area scheduled to be in attendance. Because of our technology and coaching initiatives, TSD has been chosen to host and share our story with others. "If Google calls, we must be doing something right!"
- Grant Funds – The School Improvement Leadership Team applied for a grant that will support our efforts with a Multi-Tiered Support System to meet the needs of students, enhance parent engagement, and professional development for our teachers. If awarded the funds, we stand to receive \$117,000.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Reading Law – The School Improvement Leadership Team and I have been working diligently on preparing the iRIPS (individual reading improvement plans). Any child, K-3 demonstrating a deficiency in reading will need an iRIP (as per MI State Law). The coordinators are attending the 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Reading Laws Conference starting today and going through Thursday. The TSD is far more prepared to begin using the iRIP than most districts that were in attendance.
- TSD College and Career Academies – Wall to Wall School Update – Because of the hurricane, Clearwater HS just opened back up. Plans are being made to visit two schools, meet with community partners and their education foundation members. We are excited for the next steps.

**Motion** by D. Stellini, **support** by Doug Meyers, to accept the Superintendent's/Asst. Superintendent's Report.

Ayes: 7      Nays: 0      Carried: 7 – 0

#### **2.02 Student/Staff Recognition**

- Recognized DECA President Sara Sherazi for being appointed the social media correspondent for DECA Direct Magazine. DECA just finished co-hosting the "Kids Against Hunger" packing event which was a tremendous success with 20,952 meals packed. Next event is the Walk-A-Thon in October.
- Recognized Truman Secretary Kim Ingersoll for going above and beyond in making sure the needs of the students and staff are met.
- Recognized Hoover Principal Matt Hall, Transportation Manager Steve Woodworth, Security Director Michele Marshall, Det. Christian Schnell and Det. Josh Schneider for their dedication and professionalism in locating a student over the weekend.

**Motion** by D. Stellini, **support** by Doug Meyers, to accept Student/Staff Recognition.

Ayes: 7      Nays: 0      Carried: 7 – 0

#### **2.03 Audience Participation**

- J. Barringer – Commented on Wrestling as a sport, the hot weather affecting her children in the schools, and the Jazz Band at West.

**Motion** by D. Stellini, **support** by Doug Meyers, to accept Audience Participation.

Ayes: 7      Nays: 0      Carried: 7 – 0

#### **2.04 Communications/Ambassador Updates**

T. Zorn – Truman - The combined band competition did very well. October 6 is "Pink Day" fundraiser – 31 Football jerseys were sold. \$250 was raised for Hurricane relief. Truman started the new school year with 23 new staff and with 500 freshman.

D. Stellini – Randall – PTO provided a cool treat, water and ice packs. Career Center – enrollment numbers are up, Beaumont Teen Health Center – Taylor is hosting a Free Fall Family Fun Festival on October 21 at 10am-2pm. Immunizations, Mobile Dentist, Dietitian, Cooking Instructions, BP checks, free food, games, pumpkin painting, raffle baskets and free giveaways.

**Motion by D. Stellini, support by Doug Meyers, to accept Communications/Ambassador Updates.**

Ayes: 7      Nays: 0      Carried: 7 – 0

## **2.05 Committee Report**

- Finance Committee Meeting October 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 PM.
- Policy Committee Workshop Meeting October 18<sup>th</sup> 6:00-10:00 PM.

**Motion by D. Stellini, support by Doug Meyers, to accept the Committee Report.**

Ayes: 7      Nays: 0      Carried: 7 – 0

## **2.06 HERFF Jones Presentation**

Presentation by Herff Jones covered Varsity Brands and how their company offers assistance to school districts who are combining schools. Their branding expertise includes many free services along with original artwork, logos, Mascots, colors and many other products and services.

**Motion by D. Stellini, support by D. Meyers, to accept Herff Jones Presentation.**

Ayes: 7      Nays: 0      Carried: 7 – 0

## **Amended agenda – Moved up 5.0 Closed Session and 6.0 Possible Action Following Closed Session to accommodate Attorney.**

**Motion by D. Meyers support by P. Lakatos, to amend the agenda by moving up 5.0 Closed Session and 6.0 Possible Action Following Closed Session to accommodate Attorney.**

Ayes: 7      Nays: 0      Carried: 7 – 0

## **3 DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **3.01 Purchase Card Discussion**

Discussion on using a purchase card for district wide use on a restricted basis, monitoring, selected users, how it works and questions in advance to be forwarded to the bank's representative prior to a presentation before the BOE.

**Motion by D. Stellini, support by Doug Meyers, to accept the Purchase Card discussion.**

Ayes: 7      Nays: 0      Carried: 7 – 0

## **4 ACTION ITEMS**

### **4.01 AASA Resolution**

**Motion by T. Zorn, support by D. Meyers, to approve AASA Resolution.**

Ayes: 7      Nays: 0      Carried: 7 – 0

### **4.02 Field Trip Request Out of State, West MS, Washington, DC May 22-26-2018.**

**Motion by T. Zorn, support by P. Lakatos, to approve Field Trip Request Out of State, West MS, Washington, DC May 22-26, 2018.**

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Carried: 7 – 0

**4.03 Conference Request – Out of State, Career Center, Nashville, TN Oct. 17-21, 2017**

**Motion** by D. Stellini, **support** by T. Zorn, to approve Field Trip Request – Out of State, Career Center, Nashville, TN Oct, 17-21, 2017.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Carried: 7 – 0

**4.04 Consolidated Items: 1. Payment of Current Bills, 2. Payment of Current Bills on Hold, 3. Approval of Requisitions, 4. Approval of Requisitions on Hold, 5. Personnel Reports.**

**Motion** by T. Zorn, **support** by P. Lakatos, to approve Consolidated Items.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Carried: 7 – 0

**4.05 Independent Contracts/Request to Hire**

- Request to Hire – A. Vann, TVLA Mentor and S. Dave, TVLA Mentor.

**Motion** by P. Lakatos, **support** by D. Meyers, to approve Requests to Hire A. Vann, TVLA Mentor and S. Dave, TVLA Mentor.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Carried: 7 – 0

**4.06 Request for Advanced Authorization to Hire/Recall**

**Motion** by T. Zorn, **support** by D. Meyers, to approve Request for Advanced Authorization to Hire/Recall.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Carried: 7 – 0

**4.07 MOU between 26M TSSSA and the TSD**

**Motion** by D. Stellini, **support** by J. McCoy, to approve MOU between 26M TSSSA and the TSD.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Carried: 7 – 0

**4.08 Purchase Foreign Language online classes. Requested authorization of funds not to exceed \$39,000.**

**Motion** by T. Zorn, **support** by D. Stellini, to approve Purchase Foreign Language online classes. Requested authorization of funds not to exceed \$39,000.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Carried: 7 – 0

**5 CLOSED SESSION**

**5.01 Closed Session**

**Amended Agenda item moved after 2.06 Herff Jones Presentation**

**Motion** by T. Zorn, **support** by P. Lakatos, to go into closed session.

**Admin Content**

The Board of Education went into closed session for the following:

Closed Session Minutes

Negotiations

Personnel

Roll Call:

Lakatos - Yes

McCoy - Yes

Meyers - Yes

Miller - Yes

Stellini - Yes

Zorn - Yes  
Honeycutt - Yes

Ayes: 7    Nays: 0    Carried: 7 – 0

The Board went into closed session at 7:51 PM

The Board resumed from closed session at 9:46 PM

**Motion by D. Meyers, support by B. Honeycutt, to close Closed Session.**

Ayes: 7    Nays: 0    Carried: 7- 0

## **6 POSSIBLE ACTION FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION**

### **6.01 Possible Action Following Closed Session**

None


## **7 ADJOURNMENT**

### **7.01 Adjournment**

**Motion by D. Meyers, support by R. Miller, to Adjourn the meeting.**

Ayes: 7    Nays: 0    Carried: 7- 0

The Taylor School District Board of Education, Regular Board Meeting for Monday, September 25, 2017 adjourned at 10:30 PM.



Debbie Stellini, Secretary

*"An audio recording of the minutes is maintained on file in the Board of Education office for verification of minutes."*