# THREE LAKES EDUCATION COOPERATIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING January 11, 2021

# 1. Opening of Meeting

#### A. Call to Order

Madison Sowers called to order the Three Lakes Educational Cooperative Board of Directors meeting at 6:34 p.m. on Monday January 11, 2021 via Zoom Meeting.

#### B. Roll Call

The following individuals were present:

### **BOARD MEMBERS**

Julie Spielman
Brent Johnson (Absent)
Eric Ratzloff (Absent)
Madison Sowers
Brandi Shaffer
Greg McCurdy

## OTHERS:

Dr. Kathy Mickelson Michele Luksa Dee Wiley

## C. Approval of Agenda

Madison Sowers made the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion was seconded by Brandi Shaffer and passed unanimously.

### 2. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Minutes
- B. Approval of Warrant Register/Payables
- C. Approval of Personnel Changes
- D. Approval of PDC Plans and Points
- E. Approval of Election Terms
- F. Approval of Consent Agenda

Warrant/Payables were reviewed. Personnel changes were reviewed. Five Paraeducator positions were filled. Two Paraeducators resigned, one transferred from Frameworks to OCES and one announced her intended retirement at the end of the year. TLEC will continue pursuing candidates for Speech Pathologist positions currently filled with contracted service providers.

TLEC BOD reviewed the following resolutions:

Resolution to Establish Regular Meeting Dates-

A resolution was presented to establish the day of the week, week of the month, time and location of the regular board meetings and any alternative meeting dates to be held during the 2021/2022 school year at it's July, 2021 board meeting.

Resolution to Establish Election of School Board Officers-

A resolution was presented to establish when it will elect its president and vice-president at it's first meeting of the BOD in July, 2021.

Julie Spielman made the motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, and adopt the resolutions outlined above. Motion was seconded by Greg McCurdy and passed unanimously.

### 3. Financial Information/Discussion

A. Financial Reports were reviewed. Revenue is down. Categorical Aid had not been received from two districts at the time of the meeting. TLEC will be using ESSER funds to purchase a thermometer kiosk for the Frameworks/ Next Step building. A question about if 5th assessments would be needed arose. TLEC Administration relayed that at this point it wasn't expected, but there are still a number of unknowns about the remainder of the school year.

## 4. District Consultation

A. TLEC administration thanked the members of our board for their participation and commitment to serving on their home district board as well as the TLEC BOD. Thank yous will be mailed due to the meeting not being held in-person.

### 5. Superintendent/Board Member Discussion Items

- A. The December 1 Headcount was presented to the group. Numbers are down approximately 40 students from the previous year. One student has transitioned back to his home district of 287 from Project Plus, leaving only one student still attending that program.
- B. Maintenance of Effort is due to KSDE on February 5, 2021. TLEC asked that member districts complete their portion of the report by January 21, 2021, so that TLEC has time to complete the report prior to the submission deadline.
- C. TLEC developed a COVID-19 MOU earlier in the year that extends past the conclusion of the CARES Act, at the end of 2020. TLEC will follow the policy of providing 80 hours of paid COVID-SELF leave paid at 100% and 80 hours of COVID-CARES paid at 66% for the entirety

of the school year. Once COVID leave is exhausted the employees will be required to use personal sick, or discretionary leave until it is depleted. Once all COVID and personal leave types have been used, the employee may request additional paid leave from the Sick Leave Bank if they are a member.

- D. KSDE has allowed a 20 hour Professional Development waiver. All districts are taking advantage of this in different manners.
- E. All districts are exploring the options of providing virtual academies next year rather than offer remote learning. USD 434 is considering developing their own virtual academy. The remaining districts are considering using a virtual academy provided through Greenbush.
- F. TLEC can require employees to get the COVID-19 vaccination, but at this time has no intention of mandatory vaccination. Member districts also do not intend to make vaccination mandatory at this time.

TLEC has employees who do not have health insurance. TLEC investigated and found that ESSER funds could be used to pay for vaccination, for employees who don't have health insurance. This item will be further discussed as vaccinations become available.

G. Chris Mickelson (VI Specialist) will complete the KS Blind Registry for all member districts.

Н.

ESSER Expenditures for the period of March - September 2020 are to be reported to the state by January 20, 2021. Member districts have no ESSER expenditures to report for this period due to ESSER expenditures being transferred to SPARKS expenditures as that money had to be spent by December 31, 2020.

Misc.

Frameworks employees and students are quarantining from January 8, 2021 until January 19, 2021 due to positive COVID-19 results in staff and students. They will continue services remotely, unless it isn't possible to do so because of illness. Next Step will remain open at this time, as they are a separate population from Frameworks.

## 6. Executive Session

A. Matters Relating to Student Issues- Executive Session

No executive Session regarding Student Issues.

B. Matters Relating to Personnel Issues- Executive Session

No executive session regarding Personnel Issues.

C. Matters Relating to Negotiations- Executive Session

No executive session regarding Negotiations.

D. Action on Items Discussed in Closed Session-

No action was taken.

## <u>Adjournment</u>

Brandi Shaffer motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 p.m. Motion is seconded by Greg McCurdy and it passed unanimously. The next regular board meeting will be held <u>Monday</u>, <u>February 8, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at the Three Lakes Education Cooperative Annex in Lyndon</u>.