

**THREE LAKES EDUCATION COOPERATIVE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
June 14, 2021**

1. Opening of Meeting

A. Call to Order

Eric Ratzloff called to order the Three Lakes Educational Cooperative Board of Directors meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Monday June 14, 2021 at the TLEC Board Room.

B. Roll Call

The following individuals were present:

BOARD MEMBERS

_____ Julie Spielman
Brent Johnson (Absent)
Eric Ratzloff
Madison Sowers
Brandi Shaffer
Greg McCurdy (Absent)
Beth Wimer (Alternate)

OTHERS:

Dr. Kathy Mickelson
Michele Luksa
Dee Wiley

C. Approval of Agenda

Eric Ratzloff made a motion to approve the agenda. 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 Consent Agenda

Warrant/Payables were reviewed.

- Personnel changes were reviewed. TLEC has hired 6 paraeducators, and 4 paraeducators have resigned. One certified teacher resigned from the Frameworks program, and TLEC has hired 2 certified teachers who will fill positions at WFEA &

Frameworks. Jess Lewis rescinded his resignation and will continue his placement at CAC. In turn Bill Owecke previously slated for CAC has been placed at OAC. Previously hired as TBD, Katlyn Kirkwood has been placed at BES Pre K to replace Jordyn Schwinn who has been hired as a second Preschool Mentor for TLEC. One paraeducator retired from the Next Step program, Bill Byington (contracted O&M) has retired as well. TLEC will contract with Kylie Kilmer (Kansas School for the Blind) for O&M services for the 2021-22 school year.

TLEC has hired an Autism Instructional Aide who will serve all six districts, and are still looking for a BCBA for the 2021-22 school year.

The SFTPS position vacated by Julie Flory will not be filled at this time. After Enrollment data is available, it will be reassessed.

Eric Ratzloff made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion was seconded by Brandi Shaffer and passed unanimously.

3. Financial Information/Discussion

A. Financial Reports were reviewed. Revenue and Expenditures were both down compared to last year. Federal flow through hasn't been received from all districts. Form 120A was submitted to member districts for reporting purposes.

4. District Consultation

A. The TLEC 2021-22 Calendar was presented and submitted for approval.

Madison Sowers made a motion to approve the 2021-22 TLEC Calendar as presented. Motion was seconded by Julie Spielman and passed unanimously.

B. VI contracts with USD 253 and USD 290 for the 2021-22 school year were presented and recommended for approval.

Eric Ratzloff made a motion to approve the 2021-22 VI contracts with USD 253 and USD 290 as presented. Motion was seconded by Beth Wimer and passed unanimously.

C. The contract with Kelly Courtney for PT services in 2021-22 was presented and recommended for approval.

Madison Sowers made a motion to approve the 2021-22 PT contract with Kelly Courtney as presented. Motion was seconded by Beth Wimer and passed unanimously.

D. Contracts with Greenbush for Specialized Learning Services, PDP, and Administrative Services were presented and recommended for approval.

Eric Ratzloff made a motion to approve the SLS, PDP, and Administrative Services contracts with Greenbush for 2021-22. Motion was seconded by Madison Sowers and passed unanimously.

Speech caseloads will be evaluated to see if existing staff can provide services to USD 454. TLEC is exploring possibilities for replacement speech services in USD 454. Unless in-person services are available, services will be delivered through Teletherapy provided by Greenbush.

E. The 2021-22 KASB Workers Compensation contract was reviewed and recommended for approval. TLEC entered a loyalty agreement with KASB for an additional discount.

Madison Sowers made a motion to approve the 2021-22 KASB Workers Compensation contract as presented. Motion was seconded by Julie Spielman and passed unanimously.

F. TLEC recommended adoption of the IDEA Assurances for the 2021-22 fiscal year.

Eric Ratzloff made a motion to approve the adoption of IDEA Assurances for FY 2022. Motion was seconded by Brandi Shaffer and passed unanimously.

G. The Final ESY report was presented, and is happening as planned.

5. Superintendent/Board Member Discussion Items

A. ESSER II preliminary figures have come in. TLEC will receive two rounds of funding, (flowing through member districts) one available in June and the other available in Dec 2021 totaling approx \$218,000. TLEC will use the majority of monies received to fund staff positions. TLEC will submit plans for ESSER II funds to member districts to be reported to the state for reimbursement. American Rescue Plan (ARP) also known as ESSER III will also become available later this year and we anticipate around \$167,000 for that amount.

B. TLEC applied for, and were awarded Deaf Blind Grant funds for a student in USD 287 for 2020-21.

C. The current TLEC strategic plan runs from 2017-2022, and will need to be rewritten this year.

5D. Member districts have indicated that they do not intend to raise substitute teachers and paraeducator rates for the 2021-22 school year.

5E. Administration presented the updated APR report from KSDE showing TLEC no longer has any "no" statuses, indicating that those areas have improved.

6. Executive Session

A. Matters Relating to Student Issues- Executive Session

No Executive Session-

B. Matters Relating to Personnel Issues- Executive Session

No Executive Session-

C. Matters Relating to Negotiations- Executive Session

Negotiations Update-

Motion was made by Eric Ratzloff and seconded by Beth Wimer to enter executive session with the board and administrators present beginning at 6:55 p.m. for a period of time not to exceed ten minutes for the matters relating to Personnel Issues and Negotiations. Justification of the executive session is to protect the cooperative's right to the confidentiality of its negotiating position and the public's interest. The meeting will return to open session at 7:05 p.m. in the boardroom. The meeting returned to open session at 7:05 pm

Motion was made by Eric Ratzloff and seconded by Madison Sowers and passed unanimously to continue the executive session an additional ten minutes at 7:05 p.m. for the purpose of

discussing matters relating to Negotiations. The meeting will return to open session at 7:15 p.m. in the boardroom.

D. Action on Items Discussed in Closed Session-

There was no action on items discussed in the Closed Section.

Adjournment

Eric Ratzloff motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m. Motion was seconded by Madison Sowers, and it passed unanimously. The next regular board meeting will be held Monday July 12, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at the Three Lakes Education Cooperative office in Lyndon.