

To be approved on June 12, 2023

A Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the Traverse City Area Public Schools, Counties of Grand Traverse, Leelanau, and Benzie, Michigan, was held at the Tompkins Boardman Administration Center, 412 Webster Street, Traverse City, Michigan, on Monday, May 22, 2023.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Ballenger, Bird, Humphreys, Moon Mohr, Newman-Bale, Pack, and Raymond
BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: N/A
ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT: Perkowski, Taylor, and VanWagoner
ADMINISTRATORS ABSENT: Smith and Thomas-Hill

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

President Newman-Bale welcomed those in attendance and called this Special Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Ms. LeBlanc's 3rd-grade class from Blair Elementary School led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **REVIEW/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The Board discussed the agenda as presented with administration and moved forward for approval with no changes.

Approval of agenda as presented.

Moved by: Bird

Seconded by: Moon Mohr

The following vote was held:

Ayes: Bird, Humphreys, Moon Mohr, Newman-Bale, Pack, and Raymond

Nay: N/A

MOTION CARRIED 6-0

Trustee Ballenger arrived at the table at 5:33 PM.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT #1** (Orange Card)

President Newman-Bale opened the meeting up for public comment and the following addressed the Board:

- Sarah Redman: Graduation Beads
- Michael Dettaer: 1st Amend
- Thomas Peters: Cap Beads
- Amy Yee: Native grads + beaded caps
- Krystina John: Grad Caps
- Jesse Ward: Graduation cap presentation
- Anna Barrentor: Beaded Caps for Graduation
- Aaron Chivis

5. CONSENT

The purpose of the consent calendar was to expedite business by grouping items together to be dealt with by one Board member motion without discussion. Any member of the Board may ask that any item on the consent calendar be removed and placed elsewhere on the agenda for a full discussion. Such requests would be automatically respected.

a. **Board of Education 2023 Notice of Dates**

The Board considered the following changes to the 2023 Notice of Dates:

1. The cancellation of the Special Meeting scheduled for June 1, 2023, at 10:30 AM as the agenda items for that meeting were moved to this Special Meeting agenda.
2. The scheduling of a Board Retreat on August 16, 2023, at 10:00 AM to review survey data, the summary report of the completed assessments, and feedback from informational sessions held for pre-bond planning. The location for this meeting will be Northwest Education Services Career Tech Center, 880 Parsons Rd, Traverse City, MI 49686.

b. **Meeting Minutes**

The Board considered the proposed Regular Meeting Minutes from May 8, 2023.

Approval of the Consent Calendar as presented and without discussion.

Moved by: Raymond

Seconded by: Pack

The following vote was held:

Ayes: Ballenger, Bird, Humphreys. Moon Mohr, Newman-Bale, Pack, and Raymond

Nay: N/A

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

6. DISCUSSION

a. **Resolution in Support of Northwest Education Services General Fund Operating Budget for 2023/2024.**

The Board considered and reviewed a resolution in support of Northwest Education Services General Fund Operating Budget for 2023/2024.

Approval of the Northwest Education Services General Fund Operating Budget for 2023/2024 as presented.

Moved by: Humphreys

Seconded by: Pack

The following Roll Call vote was held:

Ayes: Ballenger, Bird, Humphreys. Moon Mohr, Newman-Bale, Pack, and Raymond

Nay: N/A

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

b. **Resolution Designating District's Electoral Representative and First Ballot Candidate Choice**

The Board considered a resolution designating the district's electoral representative and first ballot candidate choice for the 2023 biennial election of the Board of Northwest Education Services. This election will be held on Monday, June 5, 2023.

Approval that the Board of Education adopt a resolution to designate Trustee Bird as this District's representative for the electoral body which will elect two (2) candidates to the vacancies on the Board of Northwest Education Services, Michigan, on Monday, June 5, 2023, and Trustee Moon Mohr as an alternate in the event the designated representative is unable to attend. The designated representative and alternate are further directed to cast a vote on the first ballot on behalf of this Board for Lisa Thomas (Traverse City) and Elizabeth Lajko (Kingsley).

Moved by: Ballenger

Seconded by: Raymond

The following Roll Call vote was held:

Ayes: Ballenger, Bird, Humphreys, Moon Mohr, Newman-Bale, Pack, and Raymond

Nay: N/A

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

c. **Board Policy 5460 - Graduation Requirements**

The Board discussed the history of Board Policy 5460 - Graduation Requirements and the current language used within the policy. It was determined that Board Policy 5460 would be updated to take effect for the upcoming graduation ceremonies.

Approval that the Board of Education revise its current Graduation Requirements Board Policy 5460 as follows: *Students participating in commencement exercises are required to wear the prescribed cap and gown attire during the entire commencement ceremony, in compliance with the Student Appearance Policy - 5511. In addition, graduating students will be allowed to wear recognized items of religious or cultural significance in a dignified manner. Furthermore, a student at the time of the commencement ceremony is in active military service in a branch of the armed forces of the United States of America will be permitted to wear the designated dress military uniform of the branch in which the student is then serving on active duty.*

Moved by: Ballenger

Seconded by: Bird

The following Roll Call vote was held:

Ayes: Ballenger, Bird, Humphreys, Moon Mohr, Newman-Bale, Pack, and Raymond

Nay: N/A

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

The board expressed appreciation to students, staff, and stakeholders for their attendance and recent communications to the Board of Education regarding this subject matter.

7. **PUBLIC COMMENT #2 (GREEN CARD)**

President Newman-Bale opened the meeting up for public comment and none was requested.

8. **BOARD PRESIDENT CLOSING REMARKS**

President Newman-Bale had no closing remarks.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

This meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

Moved by: Humphreys

Seconded by: Raymond

The following vote was held:

Ayes: Ballenger, Bird, Humphreys, Moon Mohr, Newman-Bale, Pack, and Raymond

Nay: N/A

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

Next Board of Education Meeting

Monday, June 12, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

Tompkins Boardman Administration Building (Conference Room C)

412 Webster Street, Traverse City, MI 49686

Board of Education:

Josey Ballenger, Holly T. Bird, V. Flourney Humphreys,

Erica L. Moon Mohr, Scott Newman-Bale, Beth Pack,

and Andrew R. Raymond