



## BOARD BRIEFS

October 19, 2021

### Special Presentation

Jeff Straus, Principal, Maner Costerisan, presented the results of the clean and unmodified 2020-21 Ingham ISD audit.

### Action Items

The Board approved the Consent Docket as follows:

- Regular Meeting Minutes
- Human Resources Report
- Calendar of Events
- Payment Summary Report
- Investment Report

In other action, the Board:

- Reviewed and received the 2020-21 Audit Report and supporting material as presented by Maner Costerisan.
- Authorized the Superintendent to execute an agreement with the Michigan Association of Administrators of Special Education to provide consultative services to Project SEARCH for the period from October 2021 through September 30, 2022 at a rate of \$150 per hour for an estimated total of \$30,000.
- Authorize the WTC health programs to purchase study materials, practice tests and certification tests for the 2021-22 school year from NHA in an amount not to exceed \$44,000.
- Authorized the Superintendent to finalize and execute the agreement with the Bureau of Services for Blind Persons (LEO/BSBP) for the period of October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022 for an Ingham ISD total cost share not to exceed \$34,815.
- Authorized the Superintendent to execute a contract with ATC Healthcare Inc. and other recommended staffing agencies for up to 24 half-time staff or 12.0 FTE for nurses and non-clinical staff to serve as health resource advocates (HRAs) for a total amount not to exceed \$1,344,000.
- Authorized Owen-Ames-Kimball Co. to issue Notice of Pending Awards for the Wilson Talent Center building addition and remodeling Phase I project bulk structural steel (metals) to Structural Standards, Inc. of Sparta, MI in an amount of \$398,400 and for roofing to Great Lakes Systems, Inc. of Jenison, MI in an amount of \$260,140. Furthermore, that upon receipt by Owen-Ames-Kimball Co. of the appropriate documentation, authorized the Superintendent to execute contracts with these contractors and suppliers and authorized district administration to make decisions within the allotted project budget.



- Approved the recommendation of an increase in FTE for School Social Work and a Teacher for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing as presented.
- Approved the Business Unit staffing restructure recommendation as presented.
- Approved an increase of an additional School Counselor at the Wilson Talent Center.
- Approved the recommendation for the new position of a Statewide Project Search Director as presented.

## **Discussion Items**

Becky Hills provided an overview of ways the district may utilize one-time supplemental funding allocated as part of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021.

Michelle Nicholson provided information regarding the Eastern Early Childhood Support Network (ECSN) grant.

Jamie Engel provide information regarding an agreement with Ferris State University to develop a Satellite Campus and Workforce Development Program at the Wilson Talent Center.

Sandee Donald provided an overview of the proposed restructure of the Student Instructional Services Department and the addition of a 1.0 FTE Director, Mental Health and Wellness position.

Susan Tinney provided a rationale for proposed staffing changes in Early Childhood with an overall increase of .70 FTE.

## **Information Items**

Susan Tinney provided an update on the increase in substitute pay to try and attract more substitutes during this time.

Sandee Donald shared the top local districts priorities learned while visiting districts this fall to determine their support needs.

## **Superintendent's Report**

Jason Mellema shared a potential partnership with MAASE to hire educational staff.

Jason Mellema shared that our local district are sending out a survey to families to determine interest, by district level, for 5-11 year-old vaccinations, to be prepared when it vaccine is approved.



Jason Mellema provided an overview of the Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce Executive Welcome next week at the Wilson Talent Center.

Jason Mellema provided an overview of the Strategic Plan information shared with Ad Staff.

Jason Mellema shared that we received notification yesterday that St. Vincent School will be closed for five years.

Jason Mellema provided a legislative update on a few active education bills.

Jason Mellema shared that Sarah Winslow was appointed by the Governor to the Michigan Developmental Disability Network.

## **Board Report**

John Wolenberg provided an update about the October Ingham School Officers Association meeting and was pleased to hear from [Holt's Equity and Access Team](#).

November 16, 2021 Regular Board Meeting, 6:00pm – Thorburn Education Center  
December 8, 2021, Wilson Talent Center Open House, 4:30-7:30pm – Wilson Talent Center  
December 21, 2021 Regular Board Meeting, 6:00pm – Thorburn Education Center  
January 18, 2022 Regular Board Meeting, 6:00pm – Thorburn Education Center  
February 15, 2022 Regular Board Meeting, 6:00pm – Thorburn Education Center  
March 15, 2022 Regular Board Meeting, 6:00pm – Thorburn Education Center  
April 12, 2022 Regular Board Meeting, 6:00pm – Thorburn Education Center  
May 17, 2022 Regular Board Meeting, 6:00pm – Thorburn Education Center  
June 21, 2022 Public Budget Hearing / Board Meeting, 6:00pm – Thorburn Education Center  
July 19, 2022 Organizational / Board Meeting, 6:00pm – Thorburn Education Center

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