

Meeting Minutes

Board Finance and Operations Committee Meeting

Thursday, May 29, 2025 at 8:15 a.m.

Administration at Glenn Loomis - Boardroom

1009 S. Oak Street, Traverse City, MI 49684



Approved on July 10, 2025

Meeting Presentation

PRESENT: Scott Hardy, Erica Moon Mohr, Ty Schmidt, Tyson Burch, Sandy Low, Evan OBranchovic, Wes Souden
Christine Thomas-Hill, Paul Thwing, Dr. John VanWagoner II (virtual attendance)

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:15 a.m.

Chairperson Hardy welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairperson Hardy offered time for public comment, and no request was made.

3. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

a. Prior Committee Meeting Minutes

The Committee was asked if they had any changes to the draft minutes from the May 1, 2025 Board Finance and Operations Committee (BFOC) meeting. The Committee unanimously supported the minutes as presented.

Approval for the May 1, 2025 minutes to remain as posted.

b. Rotary Charities Grant Resolution

The committee reviewed a proposed resolution to support a TCAPS grant application to Rotary Charities of Traverse City. The one-time \$20,000 grant would help to fund the creation of a fundraising program to establish a school district foundation, increasing philanthropic support for various student needs.

The Committee unanimously recommended to place this on the next Board of Education meeting agenda for Discussion.

c. Bids, Services, and/or Purchases

i. Technology

● **Milestone Mobile Servers**

This project is for the replacement of the district's Milestone mobile infrastructure. It addresses the growing demands on our camera video management systems' performance.

The Committee unanimously recommended to purchase the Milestone Mobile Infrastructure project from People Driven Technology using the OMNIA Contract, for a total amount not to exceed \$122,398 which includes a 10% contingency; funded from Capital Bond Funds - Technology; place this on the next Board of Education meeting agenda under Consent.

● **Virtual Infrastructure Servers**

This project addresses the growing demands on our Information Technology (IT) Infrastructure.

The Committee unanimously recommended to purchase the Virtual Infrastructure Servers from People Driven Technology using the MI Deal Contract, for a total amount not to exceed \$459,780 which includes a 10% contingency; funded from Capital Bond Funds - Technology; place this on the next Board of Education meeting agenda under Consent.

4. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

a. Transportation Update

Tyson Burch, Director of Transportation, updated the Committee on various aspects of the Transportation Department. This included information on bus routes, lack of drivers and their daily availability, the number of vehicles (buses and white fleet), information on illegal bus passes by automobiles, and the latest bus inspection results.

b. Capital Projects

The Committee received updates on the status of active construction projects within the district. The complete Capital Projects presentation is available on the district website: www.tcaps.net/about/departments/capital-projects-and-planning.

c. Sustainability Committee Report Out

Dr. VanWagoner gave the committee a brief summary of the meeting from May 15, 2025. The Committee is currently focusing on a green school initiative and district policies related to energy conservation.

d. Finance

i. Budget Update

Christine Thomas-Hill provided the Committee with an overview of the 2024/2025 Final Amendment and the proposed 2025/2026 Original Budget. A more detailed look at the Final Amendment and the Original Budget will be presented during the Budget Hearing on Monday, June 9, at the Board of Education meeting.

e. Upcoming District Purchases

A review of upcoming district purchases was discussed with the Committee. Click [HERE](#) to view a list of the district's planned purchases and future projects.

5. OTHER ITEMS

No other items were discussed.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:41 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Julie Gorter

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Committee Recording Secretary

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