

# Meeting Minutes

## Board Curriculum Committee Meeting

Tuesday, August 27, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.

Administration at Glenn Loomis

Board Room, 1009 South Oak Street, Traverse City, MI 49684



*Approved on October 8, 2024*

**PRESENT:** Erica Moon Mohr, Beth Pack, Dr. John VanWagoner, Dan Tiesworth, Jessie Houghton, and Heidi Maltby-Skodack

**ABSENT:** Flourney Humphreys

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Moon Mohr called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairperson Moon Mohr offered time for public comment and no request was made.

### 3. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

#### a. Draft Committee Meeting Minutes from July 30, 2024

The Committee discussed the Meeting Minutes from July 30, 2024. No changes were recommended and the Minutes from July 30, 2024 are to remain as posted.

#### b. 2024-2025 TCAPS District Course Catalog Updates

Heidi Maltby-Skodack reported on the updates to the Course Catalog. The majority of the changes are courses that will be offered at the new COMPASS Learning Center. Other changes to the catalog include additions to TCAPS Up North Virtual - Middle School offerings to include Michigan Virtual courses, and the addition of MS Seminar to align with the requirements in the Pupil Accounting Code.

### 4. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

#### a. Board Curriculum Learning Series: Professional Learning 2024-2025

Jessie Houghton, Chief Academic Officer - Secondary and Dan Tiesworth, Chief Academic Officer, Elementary, provided an update on secondary and elementary professional learning that took place in preparation for the 2024-2025 school year: AP trainings & grading - US History, Seminar, Language, Calculus, Statistics, Literature, Precalculus; Inspiring Connections - MS math teachers; CPM - new math teachers; My Perspectives - MS ELA teachers; Coding & Game Design - HS teachers; Capturing Kids Hearts - TC High staff; CKLA Early Adopters for the ELA curriculum pilot; Reading League training for all JK-5 teachers; Math Fluency planning; and department work with Scope/Sequence.

#### b. August 2024 Professional Development & Meetings

Houghton and Tiesworth provided an overview of the professional development and team meetings for administrators and teachers that took place earlier this August and slated for this week: Joint Principals, Elementary Principals - Reading League, Secondary Principals, New to TCAPS Teacher Orientation, TCAPS All Staff Welcome Back, Reading League Training JK-5, Instructional Rounds and Explicit Instruction, 6-12 department sessions, Tier 1 Instruction & Professional Learning Communities (PLC) launch, in addition to high school teachers reflecting on 2023-24 data, goals for 2024-25, and planning and building connections.

**c. Celebrations & Successes**

Houghton and Tiesworth shared the following celebrations and successes from August:

- Kindergarten Signing Day - Class of 2037 at every elementary school
- Fall Athletics - 18 teams and over 700 student athletes participating
- Musical & Marching Band practices
- Student Support Network Pop-Up Shop helping students get prepared for school, and the work of Katie Kubesh, Ginger Smith, and the Communications & Marketing Team to meet student needs throughout the school year
- The Community efforts around helping students, including Traverse Bay Sunrise Rotary Club's Backpacks for Kids program. This effort was coordinated this year with TCAPS Student Support Network's Pop-Up Shop
- Congratulations and best wishes to Heidi Maltby-Skodack on her retirement from TCAPS

**5. OTHER ITEMS**

None cited.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:58 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted By,

*Kelly Walter*

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Committee Recording Secretary

**Next Board Curriculum Committee Meeting**

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**Curriculum Committee Members:**

***Erica Moon Mohr (Chair), Beth Pack, Flourney Humphreys,  
Dr. John VanWagoner, Dan Tiesworth, Jessie Houghton, and Tiffany Pomaville***