

Tawas Area Schools
Special Board of Education Meeting
February 29, 2024

A special meeting of the Tawas Area Board of Education was called to order by President Bruning at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 29, 2024 in the boardroom at the administration office.

Mrs. Bruning led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Present: Jenkins, Klenow, Butzin, Ulman, Bruning
Absent: Lentz
Tardy: Edmonds

Administrators Present: Klinger, Danek, Livingston, Tiffany

PUBLIC COMMENTS – INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS

Mrs. Bruning asked if there were any public comments on agenda or non-agenda items. There were no comments.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Klinger said that Mrs. Danek and Mrs. Lichota are requesting that the board allow the Students Leading Students organization to attend the SLS Conference at Shanty Creek in Bellaire, Michigan from March 8th until March 10th, 2024. Mr. Klinger explained that students would not miss any school for this event. He said that Mrs. Lichota was present to answer any questions the board may have. Mrs. Klenow asked how many students would be going and how many chaperones there were. Mrs. Lichota stated that there would be 12 students and 3 chaperones going on this trip.

Mrs. Edmonds arrived to the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

Motion by Ulman, support by Butzin to allow the SLS organization to attend the conference at Shanty Creek in Bellaire, Michigan from March 8th until March 10th, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Klinger said that Mr. Mejeur is requesting approval for an overnight trip for the Tawas Area Varsity Bowling Team to participate in the MHSAA State Individual Tournament in Muskegon, Michigan. He said one bowler, Brooke McClellan, has qualified for this tournament, which will take place from March 1st until March 2nd, 2024 and Brooke would not be missing any school. Motion by Ulman, support by Jenkins to allow the Tawas Area Varsity Bowling Team to attend the MHSAA State Individual Tournament in Muskegon, Michigan from March 1st until March 2nd, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Edmonds, support by Klenow to go into closed session at 6:06 p.m. for a student discipline hearing. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Edmonds, support by Jenkins to return to open session at 6:40 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Edmonds made a motion, with support by Klenow, that student 2023-2024-#5 be suspended for 20 school days and assigned and entered into a behavioral contract. Yes: Jenkins, Klenow, Edmonds, Butzin, Bruning. No: Ulman. Motion carried.

Mrs. Klenow explained that the student will sign a contract and if he does not comply with the contract, he will be back in front of the board. Mrs. Ulman stated that this is a fork in the road for the student and she hopes that he takes advantage of it and makes better choices.

Motion by Butzin, support by Ulman to go into closed session at 6:44 p.m. for another student discipline hearing. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Edmonds, support by Klenow to return to open session at 7:02 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Edmonds, support by Klenow to expel student 2023-2024-#4 for 180 school days. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Edmonds, support by Jenkins to adjourn at 7:04 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.