

**MSBO - ISD Committee
Meeting Minutes
Dec 15, 2022 – 9:30 AM
MSBO Zoom (virtual only)**

2022-23 ISD Committee Officers:

Shay Anderson, Chairperson, Clare-Gladwin RESD
Linda Bielecki, Vice Chairperson, Northwest Education Services
Jason Helsen, Secretary, Muskegon Area ISD
Christopher Lamer, Officer of Special Projects, Ottawa Area ISD
Scott Kemmer-Slater, Officer-Elect, Gratiot-Isabella RESD
Kevin Kolb, Past-Chairperson, Gratiot-Isabella RESD

[Agenda](#)

- I. [Linda Bielecki](#), Vice Chair covering as chair place of [Shay Anderson](#), who is absent today. Meeting called to order over zoom by Linda at 9:30 AM. 74 participants including members, staff, and guests
- II. Lisa Krosnicki made the motion, with support from Drew McMechan for approval of [November 2022 minutes](#). Unanimously approved.
- III. [Legislative update](#) - Jerry Johnson, Calhoun ISD
 - A. Lame duck - very lame. PA 229 & 230. Discussion about timeline of signing/effective dates. Any introduced bills that haven't been enacted die at the end of the session and would have to be re-introduced in the new year session.
 - B. Needs - transfer or supplemental budget bill to wrap up the 2021-22 school year. Redistricting commission - lawsuit to cover funding. Grow Your Own Grant - opens on December 22, 2022 and will be open in GEMS through January 31, 2023.
 - C. January 11, 2023 - start of new legislative session. Bob - January 17 & 18 - GYO presentation from MDE. What might be the Democrats' priorities and approach come 2023? Governor Whitmer's recent comments that there still needs to be reason and bipartisan work might offer some clues. [MEA legislative priority document shared](#) and covered at a high level. Jerry expects a different world and different approach in Lansing in 2023.
 - D. Budget discussion including SAF and GF/GP transfers.
- IV. [TRAILS Implementation](#) – Dr. Elizabeth Koschmann, University of Michigan Medicine, Dept. of Psychiatry (with assist from Dave Ladd)
 - A. Focus on mental health issues with 3-tier approach
 - B. Partnership with schools using resources such as 31n. Hiring and filling positions is a challenge but TRAILS is using some innovative approaches to help with this.
 - C. ISD partnerships - in place with all 56 ISD's now.
 - D. Operational challenges - one is equal \$ allocations to ISDs regardless of size.
 - E. Federal COVID-19 funding. No indirect allowed and that could mean no funding is allowed to stay at ISD level at all. In opposition to original goals.

- F. Selected for both state & federal audits already.
- G. Complicated issues in logistics & communication. Federal reps will only meet with MDE and not include TRAILS reps.
- H. Q: What should the flow of \$ and plan look like over several years?
 - 1. A: TRAILS is intended to be a short-term support - 1 school year. The school should be able to sustain the plan independently after that using existing systems including CMH and 31n. Plan to invoice the district at the end of their most intensive school year. Will somewhat depend on ISD preference. Needs to be an initial small passthrough to scale up.
- I. Q: Does size of school matter (20 v. 100 staff, for example)? Will it cost more for a larger school?
 - 1. A: If a large school wants to train a large number of staff and include all staff in some level - will be more costly. In smaller rural areas - they may suggest that we train all staff and all schools. Same \$ per ISD is a challenge in this area. That's why 30 schools per ISD standard was set. Dave Ladd: Trying to rewrite the boilerplate language to fix some of this. Federal rules constraint is an issue. Timing is a concern too. Early 2023 supplemental could help/fix. Communication will happen to our group and superintendents on what we can advocate for specifically when the time comes.
- J. Q: Can the ISD be taken out of the equation completely?
 - 1. A: Dave Ladd: Possibly. Thinks the ultimate answer will be yes. That is one piece that they're working on with language changes.
- K. Q: Staffing challenges, turnover - how to sustain training and continuity?
 - 1. A: TRAILS has a goal and outcome to reduce turnover. Working on pipeline for staff and hiring.
- L. Q: Approach with audit?
 - 1. A: Unsure who the audit contact will be. Scott Hutchins continues to work on the program side of things.
- V. MSBO Update - Bob Dwan
 - A. Section 147c2 - \$1 billion added to S.147 pot in 2022-23. No solution identified yet. Payments will flow through to districts - the rest hasn't been fully decided. Concerns about MOE, indirects, grant budgets, etc. Auditor general and attorney general at state level will be involved. Expect that we'll get the funds and get a bill from ORS. Consider hitting non-federal programs and keep at a high-level. Could see funds in January or February 2023 state aid payments.
 - B. MSBO events update - Annual conference hotel blocks, Financial Strategies agenda overview.
- VI. 2022-23 Officers - dealing with vacancy with Jason's departure. Reminder Scott Kemmer-Slater was appointed to officer-elect last month - he has agreed to become secretary in February 2023. Kerri Harrie nominated for officer-elect by Brian Marcel, supported by Julie Williams-Muz. Unanimously approved.
 - A. Updated slate of officers:
 - Shay Anderson, Chairperson, Clare-Gladwin RESD

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Kerri Harrie, Officer-elect, West Shore ESD
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- VII. Old Business - no specific January 2023 meeting scheduled. January CREC and co-op meeting will be explored - more to come.
- VIII. Meeting adjourned by Linda at 11:28 AM.