

BOARD BRIEFS

August 20, 2025

Regular Business

Presentations

- Ben Bever and Marcee Theisen, CPC Directors/Principals, provided an update to the Board of Education with a presentation on the Capital Region Technical Early College.

Action Items

The Board approved the Consent Docket as follows:

- Organizational and Regular Board Meeting Minutes – July 16, 2025
- Personnel Report
- Board Bills and Disbursement Report

In other action, the Board:

- Approved the travel request of Kim Thalison, Director of School Wellness & Prevention, to attend the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium Stakeholders Meeting in San Antonio, Texas. Kim is the vice-chairperson for the Michigan Certification Board for Addiction Professionals (MCBPA) and has been invited to attend due to her leadership on the Board. All expenses will be reimbursed by MCBAP.
- Approved the travel request for Richada Brown to attend the National Association of Education and Homeless Children & Youth conference in Dallas, TX. The estimated costs are \$3,241, paid for with grant funding.
- Approved the travel request for Christy Lobdell, ERESA Assistive Technology/Instructional Technology Consultant, and Makenzi Farmer, ERESA Augmentative & Alternative Communication Consultant, to attend the Assistive Technology Industry Association (ATIA) Conference in Orlando, Florida from January 29, 2026, to January 31, 2026.
- Approved the request for Amber Baker, Related Services & Pottersville Public Schools Director, to participate in the Education Policy Fellowship Program (EPFP) Regional Leadership Forum Program through Michigan State University. The Michigan EPFP is a leadership development program providing ten months of training to mid-career professionals involved in policymaking for education and human services to gain knowledge and information on policy design and implementation at the local, state, and national levels. The program participants will engage in a variety of on-site learning opportunities. The capstone experience is participation in two national conferences. The first national conference is being held October 9-10, 2025, in Carlisle, Pennsylvania and the second will be held in Washington D.C.

- Appointed Jack Temsey as the delegate and Denise DuFort as the alternate delegate attendees to represent Eaton RESA while attending the Michigan Association of School Board's 2025 Delegate Assembly at the Grand Traverse Resort and Spa in Acme, Michigan, on October 23, 2025. The delegate or alternate delegate may offer motions and will vote on issues during the Delegate Assembly.
- Approved board members to seek additional training and/or certifications through the Michigan Association of School Board Training to earn the certifications needed.
- Approved the 2025-2026 Meadowview, Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP) and Adult Ed Student/Parent Handbooks.
- Approved an increase from 0.5 FTE part-time custodian position to a 1.0 FTE full-time custodian position at Eaton Rapids Public Schools' Union Street building. Custodial services are included in the lease of four rented classrooms and are provided by Eaton Rapids Public Schools. The District will be responsible for custodial services when ownership of the building is transferred to Eaton RESA.
- Authorized the Superintendent to execute an agreement with Crosswinds Aviation for the Aviation program for the 2025-26 school year in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.
- Authorized the Superintendent to execute an agreement with Davenport University for the Business Academy, Computer Security Academy, Certified Medical Clinical Assistant Academy, Game Design and Programming Academy programs for the 2025-26 school year in an amount not to exceed \$208,285.
- Authorized the Superintendent to execute an agreement with The University of Olivet and Farm Bureau Insurance for the Insurance and Risk Management program for the 2025-26 school year in an amount not to exceed \$36,000.

Information Items

- The superintendent provided an update on the planning and development of the new Eaton RESA strategic plan.

Board Member Reports, Requests

- Congratulations on another great opening day event.

Correspondence

Upcoming Events

- September 24, 2025, Regular Board Meeting, 6:00pm, Eaton RESA
- October 15, 2025, Regular Board Meeting, 6:00pm, Eaton RESA
- October 23-25, 2025 – MASB ALC Conference

For further information about the preceding items, please email us at [Eaton RESA Communications](mailto:communications@eatonresa.org) (communications@eatonresa.org).