



Agenda Item Details

Meeting	Jul 25, 2022 - Regular School Board Meeting
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School District of Bayfield Board Report Stephanie Lewis, Director of Special Education/Pupil Services July 18, 2022

Pupil Services

- **School Based Mental Health Professionals Project –**

- Kindergarten co-teacher, Amy Schmidt, has been accepted to and will begin the school psychologist licensing program this summer with tuition support through the grant and professional/educational support from Doug Jardine, the district's current school psychologist.

- **School Counselors**

- While both school counselors are considered K-12 counselors, Dan Livingston will be working primarily with the K-5 programming and Karla Vinci will be working with the 6-12 programming next year.
- Karla has been reviewing transcripts and schedules for accuracy, correcting errors, and has sent out official transcripts to post-secondary schools of 2022 graduates.
- Karla, Stephanie Lewis, and Shellie Swanson completed a week-long training on Infinite Campus Student Management System - Mastering the Fundamentals.
- Karla is reviewing course offerings with NWECS (Northern Wisconsin Educational Communication System) Director, Amanda Kostner.
- Karla is also reviewing for scholarship information - name of scholarship, contact information, application, deadline, criteria, as well as a better means of promoting and communicating scholarship information with students.
- Stephanie will be finalizing the schedule/scope and sequence of the K-5 school counseling curriculum for Dan to follow in the upcoming school year.
- The "School Counseling" section of the school's website, that is controlled by Dan, appears to be down and needs to be addressed.

- **Other**

- The 2021 High School Youth Risk Behavior Survey was released at the end of June 2022. DPI is currently analyzing all returned data and will release the middle school reports soon. The county and regional reports are anticipated in Fall 2022.
- With the resignation of Pat Kinney from his Non-Violent Crisis Intervention (CPI-Crisis Prevention Institute) Training role, Josh Potvin and Travis Swanson have attended the trainer training with the intent of training all Bayfield instructional staff in de-escalation techniques and the crisis response teams and special education staff in de-escalation and physical intervention techniques. It is hoped that with appropriate and consistent de-escalation strategies used, the incidents of seclusion and/or restraint will be reduced (the 2021-22 numbers will be presented to the Board in August.)

- A grant to renew the b.e.s.t. (Behavior Emotional Social Traits) Universal Screener was completed to allow staff to screen all students in order to better identify social/emotional needs and interventions. It is hoped that with the PLC (Personal Learning Community) structure being implemented in the 2022-23 school year, staff will be better able to review not only academic data/needs and interventions, but also emotional/behavior needs and interventions as well.

- **Human Resources**

- The special education paraprofessional positions are currently posted (through the 22nd) with interviews slated for the first week of August. With an additional recent resignation, there will be three paraprofessional positions to fill.
- High school case manager, Anne Kriskovich has taken an administrative position in another district which leaves us with a teaching opening. Job descriptions have been reviewed and will be posted ASAP.
- New staff have been given the opportunity to sign up for a session of Youth Mental Health First Aid training that will take place in Washburn on August 3. Bayfield middle/high school and special education staff received this training during the 2021-22 school year.

- **Special Education**

- Four students are participating in Extended Year Services over the summer.
- Early childhood reporting has been completed.
- Sensory paths will be installed this summer.
- A subscription for "ParaEducator PD Now", through CESA 12 is being set up for all Bayfield paraprofessionals to support their varying training needs throughout the year. Those who have not completed the DPI TSS Modules will be encouraged to work on those as well.
- All Bayfield staff are being given the opportunity to obtain an Autism Spectrum Certificate through Nicolet College - (<https://www.nicoletcollege.edu/programs-degrees/early-childhood-education/autism-spectrum-disorder>) Instructor Kristi Thoreson plans to come to Bayfield to meet with the program participants in August.

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