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options and Certified Technical Education programs with Lake Michigan College.

While Cardon said entities such as the SJPS Foundation have voiced support of the IB program, she stressed the district is “just looking” for now.

“We are only investigating,” she said. “We don’t know if we want to move on with this yet. It’s another avenue we are considering.”

One of the main talking points among board members was what kind of time-

line the district is looking at.

Implementing the IB program would be a three-year process in different phases including more workshops forming a committee and putting teachers through a three-day training session.

“We would need to explore the course this year,” Riggs said. “That’s the beginning part – to examine if this is something we would want to continue with. The question is can the process be speeded up? No it can’t because you are looking to get through three different phases before you can authorize these courses.”

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