

MECOSTA-OSCEOLA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
15760 190TH AVENUE, BIG RAPIDS, MI 49307
JULY 12, 2021
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

The annual organizational meeting of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District Board of Education was held on Monday, July 12, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in the Resource Center of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District, 15800 190th Avenue, Big Rapids, Michigan 49307.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Wayne Stickler, Heidi Speese, Mark Sochocki,
Mike Wyman, Larry Sredersas, Sheri Thompson,
Marie Wilkerson

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Superintendent Steve Locke officially called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and noted per Board Policy he would chair the organizational meeting until the President was selected.

First on the agenda of the organizational meeting was the election of officers for the 2021-2022 school year:

A. Superintendent Locke opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.

B. Superintendent Locke opened the floor for nominations for Board President. Member Thompson nominated Marie Wilkerson. Motion by Member Thompson and supported by Member Wyman to elect Member Wilkerson as MOISD Board President. **Motion carried unanimously.**

President Wilkerson then took over the remainder of the organizational meeting.

C. The floor was then opened for nominations for Board Vice President. Member Sredersas nominated Sheri Thompson. Motion by Member Sredersas and supported by Member Wyman to elect Member Thompson as MOISD Board Vice President. **Motion carried unanimously.**

D. The floor was then opened for nominations for Secretary: Motion by Member Speese and supported by Member Thompson to elect Member Wyman as MOISD Board Secretary. **Motion carried unanimously.**

E. The floor was then opened for nominations for Treasurer: Member Wyman nominated Larry Sredersas. Motion by Member Wyman and supported by Member Thompson to elect Member Sredersas as MOISD Board Treasure. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Following the election of officers for the 2021-2022 school year, the Board addressed the normal organizational agenda items, which include the following:

F. NAMING OF SCHOOL DISTRICT DEPOSITORIES.

Current depositories include Fifth/Third, Isabella Bank, TCF Bank, Independent Bank, Huntington Banks, Mercantile Bank, Lake-Osceola State Bank, and the Michigan School District Liquid Asset Fund Plus. The Administration recommends naming these same depositories for the 2021-2022 school year.

In addition, the Board also authorizes the Superintendent to invest surplus funds for the district. Furthermore, the Board authorizes the signatures of the following people, which may sign checks upon the various accounts of the district, with two signors being required: Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Board Treasurer, Board President, and the Director of Finance.

Motion by Member Sredersas and supported by Member Stickler to approve the school district depositories be approved as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

G. NAMING OF BOARD ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVES AND COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS. Board members have agreed to serve as follows for the 2021-22 school year:

- Personnel/Policy Committee – Sheri Thompson (chair), Larry Sredersas, and Marie Wilkerson.
- Programs/Public Relations Committee – Marie Wilkerson (chair), Mike Wyman, and Heidi Speese.
- Finance and Facilities Committee – Mark Sochocki (chair), Mike Wyman, and Wayne Stickler.
- MASB Legislative Relations Network Person – Mike Wyman with Larry Sredersas as the alternate.
- MOP² (Mecosta-Osceola Personnel Cooperative Advisory Committee and Mecosta-Osceola Program Advisory Committee) – Sheri Thompson with Mark Sochocki as the Alternate.
- PAC – Marie Wilkerson

Motion by Member Speese and supported by Member Stickler to approve the Board organization representatives and committee assignments as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

H. NAMING OF SCHOOL DISTRICT SERVICE PROVIDERS.

In addition to the district depositories, we needed to name a variety of service providers to the district; attorneys and auditors. Based on past performance, it is the Administration's recommendation to retain our current providers of these services, including:

Attorneys: Thrun Law Firm, P.C. of Lansing
Clark Hill
Miller Johnson

Auditors: Maner Costerisan

The recommendation for the attorneys and auditor is based on the services they have provided and are providing. We may, as has been done in past years, use other firms, if necessary, to address any specific area of litigation that might occur.

Motion made by Member Stickler supported by Member Wyman to approve the naming of school district service providers. **Motion carried unanimously.**

I. SET MEETING DATES, TIMES, AND PLACES

Board meetings will be held as follows:

- **July 1, 2021 through December 2021:** Board meetings will be held on the second Monday of each month at **6 p.m.**
- **January 2022 through June 2022:** Board meetings will be held on the second Monday of each month at **9 a.m.**

Meetings will be held in the MOISD Resource Center to allow for more visitors and meeting flexibility. This year, in the spring, we may schedule the MOISD Board meeting on an alternate date so our Board members and administrators can attend the local Board meetings. We will also hold an additional Board meeting on June 27, 2022, for EOY Budget Revisions. The administrative team will provide periodic presentations to the local boards.

.Motion by Member Thompson and supported by Member Sredersas approve meeting dates, times, and places as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by President Wilkerson at 6:17 p.m.

Following the organizational part of the meeting, we entered into our July 12, 2021, regular monthly meeting agenda.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Wilkerson, President

Mike Wyman, Secretary