



**MECOSTA-OSCEOLA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
15760 190TH AVENUE, BIG RAPIDS, MI 49307**

MAY 10, 2021

The regular meeting of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District Board of Education was held on Monday, Monday, May 10, 2021, at 6 p.m. in the Resource Center of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District, 15800 190th Avenue, Big Rapids, Michigan 49307.

President Wilkerson officially called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Roll call was taken as follows:

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Cathy Browers

Under regular order of business, President Wilkerson asked if there were any “**Additions or Changes to the Agenda.**” There were none.

President Wilkerson then asked if there were any “**Communications.**” There were none.

Consent Agenda Items:

Under the “Consent Agenda” for Board approval are the:

- Minutes from April 12, 2021, Regular Board Meeting
- Minutes from April 12, 2021, Finance Committee Meeting
- April Financial Reports and Bills

- Personnel Resignations & Appointments
 - There is one new hire at this time.
 - Prisca Gamble – School Psychologist

 - There are three resignations at this time:
 - Elizabeth Bond, General Education Consultant (effective 6/30/21)
 - Karen Roy, Director of Special Projects
 - Jordyn Stromback, Speech-Language Pathologist (effective 6/04/21)

Per Board policy, Board members and Superintendent conference requests for overnight travel and reimbursement must be approved by the Board.

- There were none.

There was a motion by Member Sredersas, supported by Member Sochocki, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

Under "Superintendent's Report"

- **Board Showcase:**

Superintendent Locke announced that the Director of Technology, Fred Sharpsteen, would be presenting. Mr. Sharpsteen presented on the MOP program and LEA usage of the MOP. He explained how technology supports the MOISD and LEA's and the different types of services being provided. He gave an overview of what LEA locations the MOP Tech. support team are supporting. Mr. Sharpsteen reported on cybersecurity, data center updates, ticket timeline statistics, challenges and opportunities, and the need for increased technology and Chromebook repairs. He spoke on the many collaborations the MOISD is part of locally, as well as state collaborations.

- **Department Updates:**

- Superintendent Locke asked the Board if there were any questions or feedback. There were comments from the Board on various sections of the report.

- **MOISD Updates/News-** Superintendent Locke discussed the following:

- There is a lot going on. He thanked the MOISD team, specifically the administrators, for their willingness to hold the line during a crazy year and for the tremendous strides forward.
- **New and innovative opportunities:** in the middle of a pandemic, students and local districts, and families are being offered opportunities.
- **Lansing:** he reported on his days spent in Lansing a couple of weeks ago. He met with multiple State legislators in the House and the Senate. He approached them on the following:
 - The one size fits all approach to ISD is insufficient when it come to funding.
 - Lack of funding for rural ISDs
- **COVID Vaccine Clinics:** the ISD has hosted a couple of vaccine clinics with the Health Department at the MOCC, and they appear to have been successful.
- **Recent Health Department Announcement:** we met with Dr. Morse and the Health Department Officer for DH10 to make sure we are following the most up-to-date guidelines.

Under "Board Business"

ACTION ITEMS:

No. 26... Consideration of Reconfirmation of the Mecosta- Osceola ISD Extended Continuity of Learning Plan. Superintendent Locke reviewed the report for the April 2021 Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan Reconfirmation documentation with the Board. He reported attendance rates and indicated there is no plan to change anything up at this time. We will continue to offer face-to-face instruction. There were no questions from the public.

There was a motion by Member Thompson, supported by Member Wyman, to approve the Mecosta-Osceola ISD Extended Continuity of Learning Plan as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

Under "Discussion/Informational Items," – Superintendent Locke reported on the following:

- **Legislative Update:**
 - There is not a lot of legislation discussion happening.
 - Recent Governor of Michigan activity
 - Third-grade reading law
 - Teacher Evaluation and Student Growth
- **Operational Update-** Assistant Superintendent Mark Klumpp reported the following:
 - Nothing pressing or new. We are seeing some COVID fatigue and reminding staff and students of protocols.
 - **COVID Protocols:** are continuing.
- **Superintendent Evaluation:** A Personnel Committee was held prior to the Board meeting to review guidelines and timelines. Patience Nemeth will distribute the Superintended evaluation electronically to the Board. The Board will send the completed evaluation back to Patience on June 9, 2021. We will have a closed session on June 14, 2021, during the regular Board meeting.
- **MOCC – LEA Honors Night:** Each LEA district is hosting one; if time allows, check them out.
- **Summer School/Camp:** Plans are moving forward, things are very busy, but everything is coming together.

"Upcoming Events" - the following was discussed:

- Biennial Election – June 7, 2021, there are three seats up for re-election
- MASB - CBA 102 - Board Training Class - May 20, 2021, 5:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.
- Graduation - Education Center - May 26, 2021
- Last Day of School:
 - MOISD: Students - June 2, Staff - June 4
 - US 10: Students - June 9, Staff - June 10
- LEA's:
 - Big Rapids: Students - June 4 (half day), Staff - June 4
 - Chippewa Hills: Students - June 3 (half day), Staff - June 3
 - Crossroads: Students - June 4, Staff - June 7
 - Ewart: Students – May 28 (half day), Staff - May 28
 - Morley Stanwood: Students - May 28, Staff May 28
 - Reed City: Students – May 28 (half day), Staff May 28

Public Comment

- There were no public comments

- Assistant Superintendent, Mark Klumpp, updated the Board regarding the MOISD estate beneficiary. If he receives more information he will update the Board at the next meeting.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by President Wilkerson at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Wilkerson, President

Mike Wyman, Secretary