

Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District
15760 190th Avenue, Big Rapids, MI 49307

MOP² MINUTES

August 15, 2019

A meeting of the Mecosta-Osceola Personnel Cooperative and Meceola Tech Programs Advisory Council (MOP Co-Op) was held on Thursday, August 15, 2019, at 8 a.m. in the Parsons Room of the Administration Building, 15760 190th Avenue, Big Rapids, Michigan.

Members Present: Sheri Thompson (Mecosta Osceola ISD), Sherry Anderson (Chippewa Hills), Randy LaPreze (Alternate for Morley Stanwood), and Steve Locke (MOISD Superintendent/MOP Co-Op Director).

Members Absent: Gerald Nichols (Ewart), Lisa Brauher (Morley Stanwood), Pete Kent (Big Rapids), Dominic Pace (Crossroads), Christine Mund (Reed City)

Others Present: Mike Miller and Patience Nemeth

MOISD Superintendent Steve Locke called the meeting to order at 8:08 a.m.

Establish 2019-2020 MOP² Officers –

Sheri Thompson nominated Steve Locke to be the MOP Director. Sherry Anderson supported. No other nominations were made. Motion carried unanimously.

Sherry Anderson nominated Patience Nemeth for Recording Secretary for the MOP, supported by Sheri Thompson. No other nominations were made. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes – Sheri Thompson made a motion, supported by Sherry Anderson, to approve the minutes from the June 19, 2019 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Dates, Times, and Places – Sherry Anderson made the motion to accept the yearly meeting dates and times as presented, supported by Sheri Thompson. No other discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

Alternates for MOP – There was discussion regarding alternates for MOP, the following were added as alternates: Randy LaPreze for Morley Stanwood Community Schools and Mary Oleszewski for Chippewa Hills School District, all districts have specified alternates except Reed City Area Public Schools.

Bi-Monthly Supervisors Reports:

Director of CTE – Mike Miller, Director of CTE, distributed a handout that contained all Meceola Tech Courses being offered along with class dates. Courses being offered through Meceola Tech.: Automotive, Culinary, Healthcare, EMT, Information Technology,

Machine Tool Manufacturing, Public Safety, and Welding. Courses available through Mid Michigan College: Phlebotomy, CDL, and possible Pharmacy Tech Certification this fall. Mr. Miller discussed current and potential advertising and options. There was a discussion regarding this topic among the Council.

MOP CO-OP Positions:

Superintendent Locke discussed the new MOP Co-Op Network/Systems Administrator position. He gave details and answered questions from the Council regarding this position. Superintendent Locke discussed current MOP CO-OP position transfers: Brandon Walter was transferred to Big Rapids Public Schools, and Chad Marshall was transferred to Reed City Area Public Schools to help with technology. These changes left the MOISD short-staffed, which is in the process of being remedied.

MOP CO-OP Positions by District

A 2019-20 MOP CO-OP Positions by District report was given to the Council members. Superintendent Locke reviewed the positions, the possibility of additional sharing of positions, and expanding the use of MOP positions and services. This report was reviewed and discussed among the Council.

Other/Discussion:

Superintendent Locke and the Council discussed shared services compared to contracted services. There was a discussion among the Council regarding shared services.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:38 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patience Nemeth
Recording Secretary