

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

MARCH 12, 2018

The regular meeting of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District Board of Education was held on Monday, March 12, 2018, in the Resource Center of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District, 15800 190th Avenue, Big Rapids, Michigan.

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

Roll call was taken as follows:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Wyman, Greg Babbitt, Larry Sredersas, Cathy Browers, Ed Raby and Marie Wilkerson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sheri Thompson

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: There was a motion by Member Browers and supported by Member Sredersas to approve the consent agenda as presented:

- Minutes from the February 12, 2018 Regular Board Meeting
- Minutes from the February 12, 2018 Closed Session
- Payment of February bills (\$2,336,327.84) and approval of the February financial reports
- Conference request for Superintendent Locke to attend the MASA Spring Meeting in Saginaw on March 15-16.

Motion carried unanimously.

Under “Superintendent’s Report” Mr. Locke turned the meeting over to Director Tonya Harrison for the Board Showcase. She introduced Behavioral Specialist Michael Bausano who reported that he has been out in the local districts providing professional learning. He has two primary goals: (1) Build behavior support capacity at the building level and (2) to deliver a wide range of behavior-related professional learning opportunities.

Department Updates – Superintendent Locke asked if there were any comments regarding the Department Updates. A comment was made that Career Day was very well done. Mr. Locke reported that there has been good feedback from employers.

Mr. Locke asked Director Sharpsteen to give an update from the Technology Department. He reported that we were able to take advantage of the SEN (State Education Network) to do joint purchasing at the state level.

Superintendent Locke then invited Directors Tufnell and Harrison to give an update for their respective departments. The General Ed and Special Ed teams have been working collaboratively. LEA concerns have been with behaviors, so they have been working together to support the locals. Trauma and poverty are related to literacy problems. MOISD and local district staff will be attending the CHAMPS Conference in Portland this summer. The ISD is supporting one person from each of the locals to attend.

Mr. Locke then gave the Board an update from the legislative meeting he attended at WMISD earlier in the day.

- Under Board Business “**Action Items**,” the following was discussed:
- **Consideration of 2017-18 Budget Revisions.** Accountant Mark Higgins summarized the high points of each fund. There was a motion by Member Babbitt and supported by Member Wyman to approve the 2017-18 budget revisions as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- **Consideration of Purchase of Vertical Machining Center** – Instructor Doug Ward explained that having another machine in the classroom will allow more students to get certified with this equipment which is being paid through grant dollars. There was a motion by Member Browers and supported by Member Babbitt to approve the purchase of a Haas CNC Milling Center at a cost of \$30,430. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- **Consideration of Purchase of Network Equipment.** Director Sharpsteen gave a summary regarding the purchase. Motion by Member Sredersas and supported by Member Browers to approve the purchases of network equipment as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Under **Board Business “Discussion/Information Items**,” the following was discussed:

- Board Self Evaluation –The Board asked Mary Ann to send them each a blank Board Self-Evaluation (fillable form).
- Superintendent Locke would like to look at opportunities to come together with the Board in either a retreat or workshop to go over organizational goals. He wants to look at how we measure our impact. We should be able to show our impact on the local districts. He asked the Board about dates/times when they might be available. It was decided that a couple of workshops immediately following board meetings would work best (7 to 9 p.m.) during the summer.
- Superintendent Evaluation – The Board would like to have a paper copy of the rubrics for the superintendent evaluation next month and then go into closed session with Superintendent Locke in May to go over his evaluation. They would make a recommendation at the June Board meeting.

Public Items – There was no comment from the public.

Future Items – The County School Board meeting is April 25, 2018 at 6 p.m.

Superintendent Locke discussed the possibility of doing a resolution in support of the School Finance Research Collaborative and having the Pioneer here that evening.

The CTE Open House is March 15 from 5 to 7 p.m.

At the April Board meeting, there will be a resolution in support of literacy.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Wilkerson, President

Mike Wyman, Secretary