

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

SEPTEMBER 10, 2018

The regular meeting of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District Board of Education was held on Monday, September 10, 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, Sheri Thompson, Cathy Browsers, Larry Emig, and Marie Wilkerson.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Larry Sredersas

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 Thompson and supported by Member Wyman to approve the consent agenda as presented:

- Minutes from the August 13, 2018, Finance & Facilities Committee Meeting
- Minutes from the August 12, 2018, Programs/Policy Committee Meeting
- Minutes from the August 13, 2018, Regular Board Meeting
- Payment of August bills (\$2,172,356.54) and approval of the August financial reports
- The hiring of Jamie Derevage (Social Worker); Aimee Gatrell (GSRP Teacher); Lowell Sickles (CTE Building Trades Instructor)
- Resignations: Special Education Interpreter Retha Jackson.
- Per Board policy, Board members and Superintendent conference requests for overnight travel and reimbursement must be approved by the Board. There is one request at this time: Member Wyman for the MASB (*Michigan Association of School Board Members*) Leadership Conference – November 1-4, 2018, in Grand Rapids.

Motion carried unanimously.

Under “Superintendent’s Report” Mr. Locke announced that the September Board Showcase would focus on Technology and Accountant Mark Higgins would present at the October Board meeting, at the auditor’s request. Fred Sharpsteen started by acknowledging what a

great job was done by all members of the MOISD Technology team as well as MOTech members. He indicated that the new MOISD website would be up and live as of September 12, 2018, and gave credit to Intern Ryan Draves for his tremendous help with that project. Mr. Sharpsteen and Mike Schonert presented information regarding current technology systems, an overview of technology responsibilities, technology response time and discussed future technology needs.

Superintendent Locke discussed the various MOISD Department Updates and asked various Directors to report on their departments. Tonya Harrison, Director of General Education, reported on Mi-STEM (*Michigan Science Technology, Engineering, Mathematics*), Mi-STEM advisory council, Early Literacy, and joint initiatives that cross the Special Education and General Education lines. Kim Tufnell, Director of Special Education, shared CHAMPS success stories and reported on the continued CHAMPS process. Karen Roy, Director of Special Projects, touched on prenatal literacy. Board Members Thompson and Wilkinson thanked all Directors for keeping them up to date on their departments.

- Under Board Business “**Action Items**,” the following was discussed:
- **Consideration of The second Reading of Neola Board Policies.** There was a motion made by Member Babbitt and supported by Member Browers to approve the following Neola policies as presented for second reading:
 - 6220 Budget Preparation

AYES: Greg Babbitt, Mike Wyman, Larry Emig, Cathy Browers, Sheri Thompson, and Marie Wilkerson

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Larry Sredersas

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- First Reading of Board Policies 7530.2; 7542; 7543; 3120; 4120
- October Board Meeting – The October Board meeting will be held on Thursday, October 11, 2018, to allow Administrators and MOISD Board members to attend LEA Board meetings.
- Strategic Planning Update
- Board/Administrator Representation at LEA Board Meeting in October. Mr. Locke asked the Board to let Patience Nemeth know if they are unable to attend one of the meetings and asked Administrator’s to let Patience Nemeth know which meeting they could attend.

Under **Board Business “Future Items**” the following was discussed:

- MASB (*Michigan Association of School Board Members*) Leadership Conference – November 1-4, 2018, Member Wyman is attending.

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- MASB Conference – September 27, 2018, Member Browers will be attending.
- Mr. Locke discussed regarding MASB courses and the possibility of hosting Board workshops at the ISD. There was a discussion that this was offered in the past. Member Thompson asked about the possibility of them hosting a 101 class as it cannot be taken online, but is needed to move forward.
- Mr. Locke reported on the NMSLA (*Northern Michigan Schools Legislative Association*) meeting.
- Mr. Locke indicated he will be meeting with MASA (*Michigan Association of Superintendents and Administrators*) and will report more at the meeting in October.

Public Items – Community member Debbie Todd addressed the Board regarding the MOISD Education Center.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Wilkerson, President

Mike Wyman, Secretary