

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

FEBRUARY 11, 2019

The regular meeting of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District Board of Education was held on Monday, February 11, 2019, in the Resource Center of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District, 15800 190th Avenue, Big Rapids, Michigan.

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

Roll call was taken as follows:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cathy Browers, Mike Wyman, Larry Sredersas, Larry Emig, Sheri Thompson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Greg Babbitt, Marie Wilkerson

Under regular order of business, Vice President Thompson asked if there were any “**Additions or Changes to the Agenda.**” There was one addition to the agenda: Action Item No. 19...Consideration of MASB Board of Directors.

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

Consent Agenda Items: A motion was made by Member Emig, and supported by Member Sredersas, to approve the consent agenda as presented:

- Minutes from the January 14, 2019, Regular Board Meeting.
- Payment of January bills (\$1,615,656.25) and approval of the January financial reports.
- Hiring of Brandee Fountain, Special Education School Nurse.
- The resignation of Special Education Teacher, Bonnie Clark, effective June 07, 2019.
- Superintendent and Board member(s) Conference/Travel Request: there were none at this time.

Motion carried unanimously.

Under “Superintendent’s Report”

- Superintendent Locke announced that Karen Roy, Director of Special Projects had the Board Showcase. Karen Roy presented on the Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP) explaining that is a Michigan Funded Preschool program; she discussed requirements needed for this program, funding, per-pupil allocation, and slot numbers/percentages. She reviewed the benefits of these classrooms and programs. Ms. Roy expanded on our GSRP relationship with the LEA’s and the collaboration taking place in all communities. Ms. Roy discussed the TEACH program.

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Department Reports:

- Superintendent Locke asked Mike Miller, Director of CTE, to present on the Middle College Program with Mid Michigan, this continues to be a work in progress. Superintendent Locke spoke on literacy coaches, Evert Instructional Rounds and upcoming presentations. Superintendent Locke asked if there were any questions or comments about the Department Updates.

MOISD Updates/News:

- Superintendent Locke addressed the current number of snow days...20 and counting. He explained the six excused snow days and the availability for the MOISD to apply for a waiver for an additional three days. Superintendent Locke will be in Lansing tomorrow where meetings will be held to discuss this snow day concern. Michele Hoytenga is leading the charge to help elevate some of these snow days. There was a discussion among the Board regarding this issue.

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

- **Action Item No. 18...Consideration of Closed Session to Discuss Contract Negotiations.** It was decided to move Action Item No. 18 (closed session) to the end of the agenda.
- **Action Items No. 19...Consideration of MASB Board of Directors.** Motion by Member Wyman and supported by Member Sredersas that the MOISD would vote for Kandace Boysen to MASB Region 3 Board of Directors. Patience Nemeth, Executive Assistant, will cast the vote through MASB ballot.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

Superintendent Locke reported on:

- **Budget Presentations:** Superintendent Locke stated that he, Mark Higgins (Accountant), and Mark Klumpp (Assistant Superintendent) are offering their services if needed for budget questions/information/needs.
- **Legislative updates and thoughts on the Legislative Breakfast.** There was a discussion among the Board.
- **EI Classroom:** Superintendent Locke asked Kim Tufnell, Director of Special Education, to give an update of the current EI classrooms.

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

- **County School Board Meeting – Wednesday, April 24, 2019.** We are working on compiling a legislative panel; if this does not work out, we will go in another direction.

- MOISD Biennial Election – Monday, June 3, 2019. Superintendent Locke informed the Board that if they needed election paperwork to please see Patience Nemeth, Executive Assistant. Information is also available at the County Clerk.
- Superintendent Evaluation – all Board members were given blank copies of the Superintendent Evaluation to review and to start filling out.
- Board Evaluation – May not be revamped this year as there will be more discussion on this at the next meeting.

Public Items – there were none.

- **Action Item No. 18...Consideration of Closed Session to Discuss Contract Negotiations.** Motion by Member Emig and supported by Member Wyman to go into closed session to discuss negotiations.

A roll call vote resulted in the following:

AYES: Cathy Browers, Mike Wyman, Larry Sredersas, Larry Emig,
Sheri Thompson

NAYES: None

Motion carried unanimously.

There was a short break then the Board went into closed session at 7:15 p.m.

Motion by Member Browers and supported by Member Emig to come out of closed session at 8:03 p.m. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

AYES: Cathy Browers, Mike Wyman, Larry Sredersas, Larry Emig,
Sheri Thompson

NAYES: None

Motion carried unanimously.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by Vice President Thompson at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheri Thompson, Vice President

Mike Wyman, Secretary