

MECOSTA-OSCEOLA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
15760 190TH AVENUE, BIG RAPIDS, MI 49307
JULY 10, 2023
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

The annual organizational meeting of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District Board of Education was held on Monday, July 10, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Resource Center of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District, 15800 190th Avenue, Big Rapids, Michigan 49307.

Superintendent Steve Locke officially called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and noted per Board Policy, he would chair the organizational meeting until the President was selected.

Superintendent Locke opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.

Roll call was taken as follows:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Wyman, Larry Sredersas, Mark Sochocki,
Heidi Speese, Randy Ostrander, Wayne Stickler,
Marie Wilkerson

MEMBERS ABSENT:

First on the agenda of the organizational meeting was the election of officers for the 2023-2024 school year:

A. Superintendent Locke opened the floor for nominations for Board President. Member Wyman nominated Marie Wilkerson. Motion by Member Wyman and supported by Member Sochocki to elect Member Wilkerson as MOISD Board President. **Motion carried unanimously.**

President Wilkerson then took over the remainder of the organizational meeting.

B. The floor was then opened for nominations for Board Vice President. Member Ostrander nominated Michael Wyman. Motion by Member Ostrander and supported by Member Speese to elect Member Wyman as MOISD Board Vice President. **Motion carried unanimously.**

C. The floor was then opened for nominations for Board Secretary. Member Sredersas nominated Wayne Stickler. Motion by Member Sredersas and supported by Member Wyman to elect Member Stickler as MOISD Board Secretary. **Motion carried unanimously.**

D. The floor was then opened for nominations for Board Treasurer: Member Stickler nominated Larry Sredersas. Motion by Member Stickler and supported by Member Sochocki to elect Member Sredersas as MOISD Board Treasure. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Following the election of officers for the 2023-2024 school year, the Board addressed the organizational agenda items, which include the following:

E. NAMING OF SCHOOL DISTRICT DEPOSITORIES.

Current depositories include Fifth/Third, Huntington Banks, Independent Bank, Isabella Bank, Lakes Osceola State Bank, and the Michigan School District Liquid Asset Fund Plus. The Administration recommends naming these same depositories for the 2023-2024 school year.

In addition, the Board also authorizes the Superintendent to invest surplus funds for the District. Furthermore, the Board authorizes the signatures of the following people who may sign checks upon the various accounts of the District, with two signors being required: the Superintendent, Board Treasurer, Board President, and the Business Manager.

Motion by Member Sredersas and supported by Member Stickler to approve the school district depositories be approved as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

F. NAMING OF BOARD ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVES AND COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS. Board members have agreed to serve as follows for the 2023-2024 school year:

- Personnel/Policy Committee – Heidi Speese (chair), Larry Sredersas, and Marie Wilkerson
- Programs/ Public Relations Committee – Marie Wilkerson (chair), Randy Ostrander, and Mike Wyman
- Finance/Facilities Committee – Mark Sochocki (chair), Wayne Stickler, and Mike Wyman
- MASB Legislative Relations Network Person – Mike Wyman with Larry Sredersas as the alternate
- MOP² (Mecosta-Osceola Personnel Cooperative Advisory Committee and Mecosta-Osceola Program Advisory Committee) – Mark Sochocki and Wayne Stickler as the alternate.
- Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) – Marie Wilkerson

Motion by Member Ostrander and supported by Member Speese to approve the Board organization representatives and committee assignments as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

G. NAMING OF SCHOOL DISTRICT SERVICE PROVIDERS.

In addition to the district depositories, we needed to name a variety of service providers for the District; attorneys and auditors. Based on past performance, it is the Administration's recommendation to retain our current providers of these services, including:

Attorneys: Thrun Law Firm, P.C. of Lansing
Clark Hill
Miller Johnson
Auditors: Maner Costerisan

The recommendation for the attorneys and auditor is based on the services they have provided and are providing. We may, as has been done in past years, use other firms, if necessary, to address any specific area of litigation that might occur.

Motion made by Member Wyman supported by Member Sredersas to approve the naming of school district service providers. **Motion carried unanimously.**

H. SET MEETING DATES, TIMES, AND PLACES

Board meetings will be held as follows:

- Board meetings will be held on the second Monday of each month at 9 a.m. at the Mecosta-Osceola Resource Center.
- An additional Board meeting is scheduled on June 26, 2023, for EOY Budget Revisions/Amendments.
- President Wilkerson indicated that LEA Board visits would be attended in the Spring.

Motion by Member Stickler and supported by Member Ostrander to approve meeting dates, times, and places as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by President Wilkerson at 9:14 a.m.

Following the organizational part of the meeting, we entered into our July 10, 2023, regular monthly meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Wilkerson, President

Wayne Stickler, Secretary