

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

JUNE 10, 2019

The regular meeting of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District Board of Education was held on Monday, June 10, 2019, 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, Larry Sredersas, Larry Emig,
Sheri Thompson, Greg Babbitt, Marie Wilkerson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Cathy Browers

Under regular order of business, President Wilkerson asked if there were any “**Additions or Changes to the Agenda.**” There was one deletion from the agenda – Action Item No. 38.

President Wilkerson then asked if there were any “**Communications.**” Superintendent Locke informed the Board of the death of a student who attended the Education Center and of a student from Evert Public Schools.

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

- Minutes from the May 13, 2019, Regular Monthly Meeting
- Minutes from the May 13, 2019, Closed Session(s)
- Minutes from the May 13, 2019, Policy Meeting
- May financial reports and bills of \$1,851,236.03
- The hiring of Stephanie Snow, Teacher of the Emotionally Impaired
- The following resignations:
 - Jesse Lang, Dean of Students from Pineview Homes
 - Mark Higgins, Accountant

Superintendent and Board member(s) Conference/Travel Request: There is one travel request at this time for Superintendent Locke, MAISA General Membership Meeting/MASA Fall Conference, September 18-20, 2019, at the Grand Traverse Resort in Traverse City, Michigan.

- **Motion carried unanimously.**

Under “Superintendent’s Report”

- Superintendent Locke announced that Mike Miller, Director of CTE, had the Board Showcase. Mr. Miller introduced Kristi Oboyle, the HR manager from Morbark and MOCC student, Walker. Ms. Oboyle spoke about Mobark’s experience and the success of the work-based program through MOCC. She indicated that collaboration with Morbark, MOCC, and students has created a very successful program and provided opportunities for students. Walker and another student have both become full-time employees at Mobark since graduating high school. Ms. Oboyle showed a short video on Mobark. Walker spoke about his work-based learning experience. There was a discussion among the Board regarding the tremendous opportunities this allows all students in our local districts.

Department Reports:

- Superintendent Locke asked if there were any questions regarding the Department Updates, there were no questions. The Board members commented on areas of the report.

MOISD Updates/News:

- Superintendent Locke discussed the following:
 - **HIL Project** - Superintendent Locke asked Tonya Harrison, Director of Gen Ed., to give an update on the HIL Project – Cohort B. Ms. Harrison spoke on High Impact Leadership Grants and reading proficiency. All elementary schools were eligible to participate; the following are participating: Big Rapids Public Schools, Chippewa Hills School District, and Crossroads Charter Academy.
 - **MiSEN** - Superintendent Locke asked Fred Sharpsteen, Director of Technology, to report on MiSEN – Phase II. Mr. Sharpsteen reported on the progress and the benefits of the fiber connection.
 - **Lusk Albertson Policy Update** - President Wilkerson reported on the policy review progress. President Wilkerson commented on Lusk Albertson’s willingness to walk through each policy; she also explained that law links would be embedded in the written policy, where appropriate so that the law could be easily accessed. She stated another benefit is that Lusk Albertson will provide lawyer services.
 - **EI Elementary Program Location** – when discussing the best programs and support for students and staff, it was decided that the classroom would be placed at the MOISD Education Center for the 2019-20 school year.

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

- **Action Item No. 33...Consideration of 2019-20 Budget Truth-in-Taxation Hearing.** Mark Higgins, Accountant, discussed the Truth-in-Taxation reports,

Headlee, taxable value, budget assumptions, and narrative. Motion by Member Babbitt and supported by Member Thompson to approve the 2019-20 budgets as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

- **Action Item No. 34...Consideration of Resolution to Appropriate General Education Fund Dollars.** Motion by Member Emig and supported by Member Sredersas to approve the resolution to appropriate General Education Funds as presented.

A roll call vote resulted in the following:

AYES: Greg Babbitt, Mike Wyman, Larry Sredersas, Larry Emig, Sheri Thompson, Marie Wilkerson

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Cathy Browers

Motion carried unanimously.

- **Action Item No. 35...Consideration of Resolution to Appropriate Special Education Fund Dollars.** Motion by Member Babbitt and supported by Member Wyman to approve the resolution to appropriate Special Education Funds as presented.

A roll call vote resulted in the following:

AYES: Greg Babbitt, Mike Wyman, Larry Sredersas, Larry Emig, Sheri Thompson, Marie Wilkerson

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Cathy Browers

Motion carried unanimously.

- **Action Item No. 36...Consideration of Resolution to Appropriate Career and Technical Education Fund Dollars.** Motion by Member Emig and supported by Member Sredersas to approve the resolution to appropriate Career and Technical Education Funds as presented.

A roll call vote resulted in the following:

AYES: Greg Babbitt, Mike Wyman, Larry Sredersas, Larry

Emig, Sheri Thompson, Marie Wilkerson

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Cathy Browers

Motion carried unanimously.

- **Action Item: No. 37...Consideration of Revised 2018-19 Budget Amendment.** Motion by Member Thompson supported by Member Babbitt to approve the 2018-19 budget revisions as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

- **Original Action Item No. 38 was taken off the table/stricken; Action Items were re-assigned as follows.**

- **Action Item No. 38... Consideration of Copier Lease.** Motion by Member Emig supported by Member Thompson to approve the request for copier lease through Michigan Office Solutions with a monthly lease, not expected to exceed \$1,891.59, with a cost per page of \$.0052 for grayscale and \$.04056 for color printing.

Motion carried unanimously.

- **Action Item No. 39...Consideration of Closed Session for Negotiations Update.** It was decided to move Action Item No. 39 (closed session) to the end of the agenda.

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

Superintendent Locke reported on:

- **PAC Annual Update-** Superintendent Locke asked Kim Tufnell, Director of Special Education, to give an annual PAC update. Ms. Tufnell indicated that PAC is in need of five additional members. She spoke about the collaboration with Michigan Alliance for Families and informed that most of their events were canceled due to low attendance. Michigan Alliance donated those monies to the Education Center for various equipment and activities.
- **Update on Literacy Initiative/Behavioral Supports Initiatives-** Superintendent Locke spoke about the HIL Project-Cohort B. He also indicated that he met with the Dean of the Optometry School at Ferris, Dr. Damari and Dr. Baker regarding the possibility for MOISD students and the Vision to Learn Project.

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

- **Legislative Dinner-** There is no information available as to date, location, or who the keynote speaker will be. We will keep you informed.
- **MOEC Summer Programming-** SCI Summer Programming will begin June 24 – 28, then return July 9, 2019.
- **Organization Meeting – July 8, 2019**

- **Board Work Session-** As discussed previously, we will wait for the new Board members to take their seats in July.
- The Board thanked members Greg Babbitt and Larry Emig for their service.

Public Items – There were no public comments

- **Action Item No. 39...Consideration of Closed Session to Discuss Contract Negotiations.** Motion by Member Babbitt and supported by Member Emig go into closed session to discuss negotiations.

A roll call vote resulted in the following:

AYES: Greg Babbitt, Mike Wyman, Larry Sredersas, Larry Emig, Sheri Thompson, Marie Wilkerson

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Cathy Browers

Motion carried unanimously.

There was a short break; then the Board went into closed session at 7:36 p.m.

Motion by Member Babbitt and supported by Member Emig to come out of closed session at 8:10 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by President Wilkerson at 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Wilkerson, President

Mike Wyman, Secretary