

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

OCTOBER 11, 2018

The regular meeting of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District Board of Education was held on Thursday, October 11, 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 6:02 p.m.

Roll call was taken as follows:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Larry Sredersas, Mike Wyman, Greg Babbitt, Sheri Thompson, Larry Emig, and 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 were two additions: The Administration is recommending Kimberly Habra as Teacher of EI at MRYH. Action Item No. 16 – Consideration of PAC Appointment to Morley Stanwood Community Schools

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

Consent Agenda Items: There was a motion by Member Sredersas and supported by Member Thompson to approve the consent agenda as presented:

- Minutes from the September 10, 2018 Programs/Policy Committee Meeting.
- Minutes from the September 10, 2018 Regular Board Meeting.
- Payment of September bills (\$1,822,110.75) and approval of the September financial reports.
- Hiring of Roger Meinert as Teacher of Information Technology and Computer Programming and Mary Kromer as Elementary Resource Room Teacher. Kathleen Rau moved from Teacher at Muskegon River Youth Home to Teacher of Transition at the Education Center.
- Resignation from Special Education Teacher of Transition, Victoria Deadwyler, effective September 21, 2018.

Motion carried unanimously.

Under “Superintendent’s Report”:

- Superintendent Locke announced that Finance –Mark Higgins had the Board Showcase, however, the auditors were running a bit late, and we would come back to the Board Showcase once they arrive.

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- Mr. Locke announced that October is Principal's Month and called the following people forward to recognize them and give them a certificate of appreciation from the MOISD: Beth Bond, Pat Craven, Caleb Martz, Christy Miller, and Mike Miller.
- Superintendent Locke discussed Department Updates. The Board commented on sections of the Department Update Report.
- Special Education Supervisor, Beth Bond, reported on the Adult Transition Centers at the Education Center.
- Mike Miller, CTE Director, reported on MOCC's participation in the Homecoming Parade and Mr. Miller emphasized the student's excitement to be part of it. Mr. Miller also spoke briefly about Career Awareness and getting students exposed to different careers and career exploration.
- Superintendent Locke concluded with mentioning that Fred Sharpsteen, Director of Technology, has been asked to present to the FCC Commissioner on broadband in rural districts and areas.

The Auditors arrived, and Superintendent Locke turned the meeting over to Mark Higgins, Accountant. Mr. Higgins then introduced Jeffery Staley, CPA and Tyler Baker, CPA from Maner Costerisan, who reviewed the audit report. They indicated that audit went very smooth and thanked Mark Higgins, Assistant Superintendent Mark Klumpp and the Business office staff for such good audit preparation.

MOISD Updates/News: Superintendent Locke discussed the following:

- The Wind Turbine meeting he recently attended in Shepherd.
- A letter received from the Reed City Board of Education regarding the process of filling the MOISD Board seat and the MOISD response.
- MOP Co-Op and helping Reed City Schools fill their Maintenance position. Assistant Superintendent Klumpp was able to hire a MOP Co-Op Maintenance employee who will start on the 29th.
- Under Board Business "**Action Items**," the following was discussed:
- **Action Item No. 15...Consideration Second Reading of Neola Board Policies.** There was a motion by Member Wyman and supported by Member Thompson to approve the following Board policy updates: Board Policies 3120; 4120; 7530.02; 7542; 7543 as presented. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Cathy Browers

Motion carried unanimously.

- **Action Item No. 16...Consideration of PAC Appointment.** There was a motion by Member Babbitt and supported by Member Emig to approve the appointment of Doug Barnes as the PAC representative for Morley Stanwood Community School, contingent upon approval at the Morley Stanwood Community School October 2018 Board Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

- Superintendent Locke reported on the MASA Fall Conference.
- MASB Conference, Cathy Browers was not present and will report at the November Board Meeting.
- LEA Board Visits – Board members reported on their visit to LEA board meetings.
- Board President Wilkerson discussed student growth and the difference between students followed by Board discussion.
- There was a discussion about the upcoming elections.

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

- MASB Leadership Conference – November 1-4, 2018 – Member Wyman is attending and will report at the next Board meeting.
- Superintendent Locke spoke about Lame Duck/Legislative Priorities, including the Pre-Labor Day Start Wavier. Patience Nemeth is working on setting up meetings for Superintendent Locke with Senators and Representatives.
- **Public Items** – Community member Debbie Todd addressed the Board regarding wind and solar power and facilities.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Wilkerson, President

Mike Wyman, Secretary