

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

**JULY 10, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District Board of Education was held on Monday, July 10, 2023, at 9:14 a.m. in the Resource Center of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District, 15800 190<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Big Rapids, Michigan 49307.

President Wilkerson officially called the meeting to order at 9:14 a.m.

Roll call was taken as follows:

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Under regular order of business, President Wilkerson asked if there were any “**Additions or Changes to the Agenda.**” The Board agreed unanimously to move Action Items 2 & 3 to the end of the agenda.

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

**Consent Agenda Items:**

- Minutes from the June 12, 2023, Regular Meeting
- Minutes from the June 12, 2023, Closed Session
- Minutes from the June 26, 2023, Special Meeting
- June Financial Reports and Bills
- Personnel Resignations & Appointments
  - The Administration is recommending the following new hire(s) at this time:
    - Sheryl Presler, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services
    - Elizabeth Slack, SE Supervisor of Itinerant Staff. Elizabeth is a current OT for the MOISD.
  - There are the following resignation(s) at this time:
    - There are none.
  - There are the following transfers at this time:
    - Jaime Knape, SE Supervisor of Itinerant Staff- Mrs. Knape is transferring to another MOISD position, MTSS Implementation Specialist.
- Superintendent and Board Member(s) Conference(s)/Travel

Per Board policy, Board member and Superintendent conference requests for overnight travel and reimbursement must be approved by the Board only. There is one at this time.

- There were none

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Motion by Member Sredersas and supported by Member Speese to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Under “Superintendent’s Report”**

**MOISD Departmental Reports:**

Superintendent Lock reminded the Board that there would be no showcase Board showcase or Department Reports in July.

**MOISD Departmental Updates/News:**

Superintendent Locke discussed/reported on the following:

- **Open positions:** is a top priority for June and July. There are a few positions open that we are working on filling. Open positions were discussed.
- **New MOISD Administrators:** Elizabeth Slack, Dr. Jodi LaFeldt, Sheryl Presler, and Amanda Kimball.
- **New SE Supervisor for Itinerants:** will help with technical data to help increase performance and outcomes.
- **New MOISD Early Childhood Special Education Program:** Reed City GT Norman Is the new location for this program as well as the site of many of the Early On team members. Steve Fitzgerald and the team are working on the move.
- **Annual Report:** is completed for the 2022-2023 School Year. Superintendent Locke will send the board a digital copy, and we will review it at the Board Retreat. Patience will also place it on the MOISD website.

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

- **Action Item No. 01...Consideration of Designation of Staff Person as Homeless Liaison.**

There was a motion by Member Ostrander and supported by Member Stickler to approve the appointment of Gretchen Spedowske as the homeless liaison for the 2023-24 school year.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

- **Action Items No. 02 & 03 were moved to the end of the agenda.**

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

Superintendent Locke reported on the following:

- **Legislative Update**
  - **The School Aid Bill:** is ready for the governor’s signature.
  - **MOISD Budget**
  - **Repeal of Prohibited Subjects of Bargaining:** this has been a top priority of the MEA and other teacher unions.
- **MASB:** Back to School Legal Workshop: August 18, 2023. Let Patience know if you would like to attend.

There was a discussion among the Board.

**C. Future Items**

- Next Board Meeting: August 14, 2023

- MASB Summer Institute: August 11-13, 2023, AT Macomb ISD, Clinton Township. Let Patience know if you would like to attend.

**Public Items** – There were no public comments.

- **Action Items: Action Item: No. 02... Consideration of Closed Session for AFSCME Contract Discussion.** Motion by Member Wyman and supported by Member Ostrander to go into closed session for AFSCME contract Discussion. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

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

Nays: None

**Motion carried unanimously.**

*The Board went into a closed session at 9:57 a.m.*

- Josie Hill, Jodi LaFeldt, and Sheryl Presler reported the tentative AFSCME contract to the Board.

Motion by Member Speese and supported by Member Stickler to come out of closed session. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

**Motion carried unanimously.**

*The Board came out of the closed session at 9:57 a.m. and resumed the Regular Board meeting.*

- No. 03...Consideration of AFSCME Contract Ratification  
Motion by Member Sredersas and supported by Member Ostrander to approve the AFSCME contract as presented. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

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

Nays: None

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by President Wilkerson at 9:59 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Marie Wilkerson, President

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Wayne Stickler, Secretary

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