

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

**August 11, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District Board of Education was held on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board of Education Office of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District, 15760 190<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Big Rapids, Michigan 49307.

Call to Order

Vice President Wyman officially called the meeting to order at **9:00 a.m.**

Roll Call

**Members Present:** Mike Wyman, Heidi Speese, Larry Sredersas, Patrick Tiedt,  
Randy Ostrander, Marie Wilkerson

**Members Absent:** Wayne Stickler (listened via phone)

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## **I. Regular Order of Business**

Vice President Wyman asked if there were any additions or changes to the agenda. There were none.

Vice President Wyman then asked if there were any communications. There were none

Consent Agenda Items

- Minutes from July 14, 2025 Organizational Meeting
- Minutes from July 14, 2025 Regular Board Meeting
- Minutes from July 14, 2025 Personnel & Policy Committee Meeting
- July 2025 Financial Reports and Bills

Personnel Resignations & Appointments

- New Hire(s):
  - *Kaitlin Brewer*, Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant.
- Transfers:
  - *Jayna Wekeman*, Career Services Coordinator
- Resignation(s):
  - *Jaime Knapp*, MTSS Coordinator/SE Supervisor
- Retirement(s):
  - *Kathy Schlanderer*, SE Teacher

Conference Requests (Board/Superintendent) (Per Board policy, overnight travel and reimbursement must be Board-approved.)

- *Patrick Tiedt*: MASB Summer Institute, Lansing – August 14–16, 2025
- *Steve Locke*: MASA Fall Conference, Traverse City – September 16–19, 2025
- *Steve Locke*: MNA Fall Conference, Shanty Creek – October 1–3, 2025
- *Marie Wilkerson, Wayne Stickler, Patrick Tiedt, Mike Wyman*: MASB Leadership Conference, Lansing – October 22–26, 2025
  - *Mike Wyman*: Delegate Assembly

**Motion:** Motion by Member Stickler, supported by Member Tiedt, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

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## II. Superintendent's Report

### A & B. Board Showcase and MOISD Departmental Reports

- Superintendent Locke reminded the Board that there were no department updates this month.
- Board Showcase will resume in September.

### C. MOISD Departmental Updates/News

- **House on 190th:** Next to the Agriscience Barn
  - **Hamtech / Robotics Space:** Dave Hamelund (Hamtech) is active on the Mecosta County Development Corporation Board and is seeking support for a robotics space in Mecosta County. (RC Group, Hayworth, Hamtech) are supportive.
  - **US-10 Youth Opportunities:** Successfully secured an MOU outlining roles/responsibilities. Partnership building continues.
  - **Medicaid**
  - **Local Schools:** All local districts begin next week, except Reed City.
  - **2025–2026 Common Calendar:** State law requires common winter and spring breaks or an MOISD waiver.
  - **State Superintendent Interviews:** Beginning this week; John Seaverson is a candidate.
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## III. Board Business

### A. Action Items

#### **Action Item No. 07 – Consideration and Approval of Speech & Language Services Contract**

Motion by Member Ostrander, supported by Member Speese, to approve the contract between MOISD and Connected Speech Solutions (Kaitlyn Hill). Effective August 18, 2025 – May 29, 2026. Services not to exceed \$110,075.00. **Motion carried unanimously.**

#### **Action Item No. 08 – Consideration and Approval of School Psychologist Services Contract**

Motion by Member Wilkerson, supported by Member Tiedt, to approve the contract between MOISD and *Michelyn Kemp, School Psychologist*. Effective August 19, 2025 – June 30, 2026. Services not to exceed \$117,000.00. **Motion carried unanimously.**

#### **Action Item No. 09 – Consideration and Approval of MEA/NEA Educational Supports Contract Ratification**

Motion by Member Sredersas, supported by Member Wilkerson, to ratify the MOISD Educational Support Personnel Affiliate of the MEA/NEA contract as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

#### **Action Item No. 10 – Consideration and Approval of Transportation System for Busing**

Motion by Member Sredersas, supported by Member Ostrander, to approve the purchase of the Transportation System for Busing (Tyler Technologies), three years, at a total cost of \$107,486.00. **Motion carried unanimously.**

#### **Action Item No. 11 – Consideration and Approval of Preschool Playground Structure (Hillcrest)**

Motion by Member Speese, supported by Member Wilkerson, to approve the purchase of a playground structure from *Gametime* at a total cost of \$53,800.00. **Motion carried unanimously.**

### B. Discussion / Informational Items

#### **Operational Update**

- Office moves complete: Business Office now at Board Office; SE at MORC; all Administrative Services centralized.
- Hillcrest licensing

#### **Legislative Update**

- State School Budget – remains in limbo.
- Bills under discussion

#### **MOISD Administrative Retreat**

- Held at Crystal Mountain. Covered operational issues, mandated reporting, and safety protocols. Attorney Bob Schindler presented.

#### **Annual NMSLA Dinner**

- Attended by Patrick Tiedt, Mike Wyman, and Steve Locke. Patrick and Mike reported back to the Board.

#### **New Employees**

- *Kaitlin Brewer*, Occupational Therapy Assistant
- *Mary Burke*, Bus Aide
- *Caitlin Cook*, MOEC Para
- *Amanda Crampton*, US-10 Para/Room Monitor
- *Chloe Cumberworth*, US-10 Para/Room Monitor
- *Rachel Gruszecki*, GSRP Aide (Reed City)
- *Steven Hubbard*, US-10 Para/Room Monitor
- *Krista Nelson*, GSRP Aide (Morley)
- *John Nickisson*, Courier
- *Michael Pennock*, Automated Technology Para
- *Haley Windish*, GSRP Aide (Weidman)
- *Jacqueline Widmayer*, US-10 Para/Room Monitor

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#### **C. Upcoming Events**

- **August 13, 2025:** New Employee Orientation
- **August 18, 2025:** MOISD Opening Day – First Day for Staff
- **August 18, 2025:** Downtown Transition Open House, 3:30–5:00 p.m.
- **August 19, 2025:** Education Center Open House, 3:30–5:00 p.m.
- **August 20, 2025:** First Day of School for Students
- **August 26, 2025:** Hillcrest Grand Opening, 4:00–6:00 p.m.

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#### **Future Items**

- MASB Summer Institute, Lansing – August 14–16, 2025
- MASB Leadership Conference, Lansing – October 22–26, 2025
  - Delegate Assembly: *Mike Wyman*
- Audit Presentation – October Board Meeting

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#### **Public Comment**

- *Lisa Dubois*, Union Representative

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#### **Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Vice President Wyman at 10:07 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mike Wyman, Vice President

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Wayne Stickler, Secretary