

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

June 10, 2024

The regular meeting of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District Board of Education was held on Monday, June 10, 2024, 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 9:03 a.m.

Roll call was taken as follows:

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Larry Sredersas

Under regular order of business, President Wilkerson asked if there were any "**Additions or Changes to the Agenda.**" Action Item 27 & Action Item 28 were moved to the end of the agenda. The Board unanimously agreed.

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

Consent Agenda Items:

Under the "Consent Agenda" for Board approval are:

- Minutes from May 13, 2024, Regular Board Meeting
- Minutes from May 13, 2024, Personnel & Policy Board Committee Meeting
- May 2024 Bills and Financial Reports
- Personnel Resignations & Appointments
 - The Administration is recommending the following new hire(s):
 - Will Olsen, Network/System Engineer.
 - There are the following resignations at this time:
 - Teresa Biller, Early On Home Visitor.
 - Gretchen Spedowske, Assistant Superintendent of CTE Services.

Per Board policy, the Board must approve Board members' and Superintendent's conference requests for overnight travel and reimbursement.

- Mike Wyman: MASB Summer Institute, August 16-18, 2024, Gaylord, MI.

There was a motion by Member Stickler, Supported by Member Sochocki, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Under "Superintendent's Report"

Board Showcase:

- Superintendent Locke presented the 2023-2024 Annual Report.
 - There was a discussion among the Board regarding the Annual Report and content.
 - Important information is included in this report on how the MOISD is servicing local district students.

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- Steve and Patience will finalize this in about a week or two and have it published. The MOISD Annual Report will be sent to the LEA Boards.

Department Reports:

- Instructional Services was discussed. We received a resignation this morning from Justin Fox, math coach. This position was discussed.
- Early on: we are considering developing a new position for next year.
- No department updates or showcases are available in July or August. They will resume in September.
 - Superintendent Locke asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the Department Updates. The Board commented on various portions of the Department Update report.
- Estate Donation update. We are working off of the interest at this time.

MOISD Updates/News:

Superintendent Locke reported on the following:

- Committee of MOISD & LEA Staff have been working on collective Opening Day PD for 1300 people. We have this in order, and we are good to go!
- Admin Retreat- is scheduled for the end of July at Crystal Mountain.
- This Wednesday, June 12, 2024- Administration and Executive Assistant Appreciation is scheduled, and the Board was invited to attend.
- MOCC Summer Camp: Started today, June 10, 2024, with 163 students.
 - 33% of students are doing both weeks.

Superintendent Locke announced that this will be Gretchen Spedowske's last Board meeting. She received a thank you from the Board and Superintendent Locke.

Under Board Business

"Action Items,"

- **Action Item No. 18– Consideration of 2024-2025 Tax Levy Resolution L4029**

Motion by Member Stickler and supported by Member Speese establish the 2024-2025 millage levy at 5.0088 mills as presented. Josie Hill reported and explained how it is calculated. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Larry Sredersas

Motion carried unanimously.

- **Action Item No. 19 – Consideration of Resolution to Appropriate General Education Fund Dollars**

Motion by Member Schocki and supported by Member Ostrander to approve the resolution to appropriate General Funds as presented. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Larry Sredersas

Motion carried unanimously.

- **Action Item No. 20 – Consideration of Resolution to Appropriate Special Education Fund Dollars**
Motion by Member Wyman and supported by Member Speese to approve the resolution to appropriate Special Education Funds as presented. Monies for buses/vans have been figured to be \$150,000.00. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Larry Sredersas

Motion carried unanimously.

- **Action Item No. 21 – Consideration of Resolution to Appropriate Career and Technical Fund Dollars**

Motion by Member Speese and supported by Member Ostrander to approve the resolution to appropriate Career and Technical Education Funds as presented. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Larry Sredersas

Motion carried unanimously.

- **Action Item No. 22 – Consideration of Resolution to Appropriate Mecosta-Osceola Personnel Cooperative (MOP) Fund Dollars**

Motion by Member Ostrander and supported by Member Wyman to approve the resolution to appropriate MOP Funds as presented. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Larry Sredersas

Motion carried unanimously.

- **Action Item No. 23 – Consideration of Resolution to Appropriate Capital Project Fund Dollars**
Motion by Member Stickler and supported by Member Sochockito approve the resolution to appropriate Capital Project Funds as presented. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Larry Sredersas

Motion carried unanimously.

- **Action Item No. 24...Consideration of 2024-2025 Budget Truth-in-Taxation Hearing**
Motion by Member Speese and supported by Member Ostrander to approve the 2024-2025 budgets as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

- **Action Item No. 25....Consideration of Approval of Pole Barn Design/Build**

Motion by Member Stickler and supported by Member Ostrander to approve the bid from Gerber Construction be accepted for up to \$565,000.00, not to exceed this amount.

*The low bidder could not complete the project until halfway through the 2024-2025 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

- **Action Item No. 26....Consideration of Implementation of the 127 Plan**

Motion by Member Speese and supported by Member Stickler to approve adopting a 127 Plan to be implemented at the MOISD. Superintendent Locke has Sheryl Presler explain the plan (tuition reimbursement and tax implications). The ISD sets approval details, direct supervisor approval, and specific grades that must be received. Superintendent Locke explained why we are doing/implementing this now. This brings our practice into compliance.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Action Items 27 & 28 Moved to the end of the agenda: Consideration of the Closed Session for the Superintendent's Evaluation and Contract Extension to the end.*

Under "Discussion/Information Items"

Superintendent Locke reported on the following:

- **Legislative Update:**
 - We are still awaiting the school aid budget; Superintendent Locke met with Tom Kunse, who indicated that it will probably take the rest of the month.
 - Governor's stance on the budget pre-k for all.
- **Operational Update:**
 - Maintenance and Technology are moving on spaces for next year and Hillcrest. We have not committed to anything/who will be in that building.
 - Construction Trades Home is still on the market. We have reduced the price by \$15,000.00
- **Finance & Facilities Committee Meeting Reported.**

Under "Upcoming Events"

- June Special Board Meeting: June 24, 2024, at 9 a.m. for 2023-2024 Final Budget Amendments. This meeting will be held in the Parson's room at the Board of Education Office.
 - We hope the Board will approve some contracts for Hillcrest at that time.
- Organizational Board Meeting: July 8, 2023, at 9 a.m.
 - Board Committees: let us know if you want to make any changes.
 - Meetings will move back to the Board of Education Office, Parson's room, starting with the next meeting.

Public Comments – There were none.

**Moved to the end of the agenda: Consideration of the Closed Session for the Superintendent's Evaluation and Contract Extension to the end of the agenda.*

- **Action Item No. 27 – Consideration of Closed Session for Superintendent's Evaluation and Contract Extension**

Motion by Member Sochocki and supported by Member Speese to go into closed session for the Superintendent's Evaluation and Contract Extension. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Larry Sredersas

Motion carried unanimously.

The Board took a short break and went into a closed session at 10:34 a.m.

Motion by Member Stickler and supported by Member Ostrander to come out of closed session.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Board came out of the closed session at 11:03a.m. and resumed the Regular Board meeting.

- **Action Item No. 28 – Consideration of Superintendent's Evaluation and Contract Extension**

Motion by Member Sochocki and supported by Member Speese to approve the Superintendent's evaluation and one-year contract extension through 2027 as presented. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Ayes: Mike Wyman, Wayne Stickler, Mark Sochocki, Heidi Speese, xRandy Ostrander, and Marie Wilkerson

Nays: None

Absent: Larry Sredersas

Motion carried unanimously.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by President Wilkerson at 11:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Wilkerson, President

Wayne Strickler, Secretary

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