

MACOMB INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 28, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Bozymowski at 6:32 P.M.

Members Present: Bozymowski, McCullough, Genest, Hubler

Member Absent: Farley (excused)

Administrators Present: DeVault, Alberti, Mullen, Pritchett, Riley

APPROVAL OF
AGENDA

1. The Agenda was accepted as presented. Moved by Genest, supported by McCullough. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

INTERESTING
THINGS ABOUT
STUDENTS AND STAFF

Superintendent DeVault reported that last week, the Macomb YMCA recognized and honored Lutz students working at their site. The director shared with us that the Lutz students are hard workers and very responsible.

Approximately 50 Maple Lane students will attend the Macomb Center for Performing Arts performance of “school house rock” on Thursday, February 5. Maple Lane students will participate in a variety of “heart healthy” activities on Thursday, February 12, to commemorate Valentine’s Day.

On Saturday, January 17, Denise Uhouse and Mary Jo Megel from the Assessment Center, and JoAnne Elkin, Early Childhood/Literacy Consultant, partnered with Head Start and Macomb Community College to sponsor an Early Childhood Conference, which was held at the MISD. Presentations were on birth to three Intervention and Child Find. Over 400 people were in attendance for the full day event.

Kim Renshaw, Speech and Language Pathologist, from MIPP ESC, gave an evening presentation to parents on Wednesday, January 21, on educational activities which they can use to interact with their child. Parents of children birth to three were most appreciative of this information.

Sean McBrady, our Social Studies Consultant, was part of the Planning Committee who sponsored the annual MLK Celebration. Over 1,200 people attended this event. The MISD is an integral part of this program, as we sponsor the Rise Above the Horizon Award (in memory of Mel Miller) and three student art contests (elementary, middle school and high school) where students from around the county can participate.

Dr. Maureen Staskowski, from Special Education and Student Services, has been selected by the Executive Board of the Michigan Speech-Language-Hearing Association to be awarded MSHA's Honors of the Association. The award will be presented at the MSHA Annual Conference on Friday, March 27, at the Lansing Center.

Jerri Gilbert, MISD SRS Occupational Therapist, has been awarded a grant through the Macomb/St. Clair Autism Society. She applied for a grant to receive three full sets of S'Cool Moves activity posters for use in the programs with students with Autism in Utica. It was Jerri's first grant application and she is honored to be a lucky and fortunate recipient, all for the benefit of the students of Macomb County.

President Bozymowski reported that earlier this month, he attended the Martin Luther King event, which was an excellent event. Reverend Michael Curro talked about the student drawings project, where he gave Superintendent DeVault and the Macomb ISD credit for creating this idea. Superintendent DeVault noted that the student winners of the contest will be presented at the next Board meeting.

Mr. McCullough reported that Naheed Hug, from SEMCOG, will be presenting on STEM to the Michigan State Board of Education on behalf of SEMCOG.

OPEN MEETINGS COMPLIANCE

President Bozymowski asked any patrons wishing to be heard to fill out a form for that purpose and submit it to Mrs. Genest. Time would be allowed under Section II, A.

STUDENT GROWTH PERCENTILES REPORT

Judy Pritchett, Chief Academic Officer, introduced Dr. Jim Gullen, Assessment Consultant, who provided a report on Student Growth Percentiles (SGP). Dr. Gullen reported that measuring student growth is a difficult undertaking, as there are multiple methods and no clear definition of student growth. He provided various ways to compute and interpret growth and pointed out that measuring growth is a multidimensional concept, as there are different types of measurements that can be used. He reviewed data from Grades 3 and 4 MEAP scores in Macomb County.

Dr. Gullen explained that the SGP model should require large data sets, complex mathematical models, including quantile regression and other variables. Dr. Gullen also was on the Committee evaluating the Michigan Department of Education's decision to use the SAT instead of ACT college entrance exam.

President Bozymowski expressed appreciation, on behalf of the Board of Education, for the informative and report.

CONSENT AGENDA

2. Moved by McCullough, supported by Genest, to approve the January 28,

2015 Consent Agenda, as recommended by Administration. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BUS PURCHASE

3. Moved by Genest, supported by McCullough, to authorize Administration to purchase 17 international IC buses from Capital City Bus Sales, the low bidder, as recommended by Darryl Dettloff and Paul J. Bodiya, for a total cost of \$1,524,301. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

RETIREMENTS

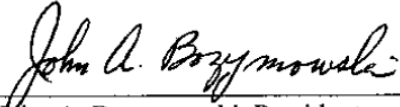
4. Moved by Hubler, supported by McCullough, that the Board of Education accept, with regret, notification of the following retirements, and express its deep appreciation for their efforts on behalf of the Board and its Administration.

Peggy Ball, AI Teacher; and Richard Wood, Shift Operator. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

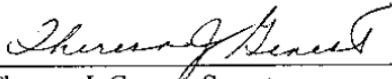
ADJOURNMENT

5. Moved by Genest, supported by McCullough, to adjourn. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.



John A. Bozymowski, President



Theresa J. Genest, Secretary