

MACOMB INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 11, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Bozymowski at 6:35 P.M.

Members Present: Bozymowski, McCullough, Genest, Farley
and Hubler

Administrators Present: DeVault, Alberti, Bodiya, Cummins,
Mullen, Pritchett, Rilley and Elias

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

INTERESTING THINGS ABOUT STUDENTS AND STAFF

Superintendent DeVault first welcomed the students, parents and guests attending the Board Meeting to recognize student art achievement.

Superintendent DeVault gave a brief overview on the MISD and our Board of Education. We have special education classrooms throughout the 21 school districts in Macomb County. The MISD has 15 facilities, 170 school buses, with a variety of services for our students and local districts, including technology to nurses and much more. The MISD support many educational activities, including the Special Olympics and competitions, such as the MLK art event, which is being celebrated tonight by our Board of Education.

Over 100 students from Lutz School started Health Education classes. Teachers Jessica Yenchar and Adrienne Ballor have begun initial instruction.

Three Greyhound buses of students and staff attended the State Winter Olympics in Traverse City. Six very happy student athletes from Lutz School returned with medals. Teachers Nick DeVault and Christine Pilon reported that all of the students had a great time and were very proud of their achievements.

On January 20, MIPP-ESC hosted a parent meeting for young children from new born to age three on Genetics presented by one of the parents of a child at MIPP ESC. The parents gave great feedback and found the workshop most helpful.

Thirty-five nurses from Macomb Community College came this quarter to visit MIPP and hear Dr. Fontanive provide an overview about the MISD and programs we offer for young children birth to three.

Neil Reid students in the Auto Detailing class and Applied Technology class took a field trip to the North American International Auto Show to participate in the special school-day setup.

On February 6, Glen Peters held a “Valentine for Veterans Ceremony.” Veterans from the Vietnam Veterans Color Guard visited the school and were presented with over 200 valentines made by students. The Veterans will take these valentines back to the VA hospital this week to distribute to the patients.

On February 6, the Glen Peters’ PTO held their annual Parent/Child Dance. Approximately 75 students and their families enjoyed dancing and other fun activities.

Over 400 people attended the Career Technology Engineering (CTE) Awards Celebration on February 6. This annual event honored over 40 students and 30 businesses. CTE Consultant, Scott Palmer, provided an overview of the CTE programs in the county. The event was attended by superintendents and over 30 elected officials, including County Executive Mark Hackel, and state and federal representatives and senators.

There are two more ACT preparation sessions this month to help prepare students for the ACT, which will be administered on March 3 for all students in the 11th grade, as part of the Michigan Assessment Series. In the first two sessions, over 400 students attended.

On Sunday, February 8, the MISD hosted College Bowl Sunday for parents and students with staff assisting over 80 families. There were ten counselors and support staff available to address questions about the FASFA form. In fact, one participant, a 60 year old, will be going back to college. She was a role model for all the students.

The Special Education Management Services Department provided a conference with eight separate training sessions for TIEnet core trainers, TIEnet liaisons, special education directors and supervisors. It was held on Thursday, January 29, and is designed to provide information, tips and training for developing quality and compliant special education documents. The class sizes were limited, but there was an overwhelming response of 120+ registrants. After the training, we will review all of the evaluations to determine if this conference should be offered annually.

The Macomb Business Celebration Awards was held yesterday, February 10. President Bozymowski said there were 40 awards presented for corporate and community involvement. Superintendent DeVault noted that at this event, Macomb County Community Mental Health Services and the Homeless Program were also recognized. Companies made donations, financially and physically, to various programs,

including food and other basic needs. It was good to celebrate these organizations and recognize what they do for the community.

Superintendent DeVault said that the MISD was also profiled for Manufacturing Day activities and outstanding CTE programs.

The Board Meeting scheduled for February 25 will be cancelled due to a County workshop and training event.

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 ACHIEVEMENT RECOGNITION

Dr. Pritchett, Chief Academic Officer, welcomed students, parents, superintendents, teachers and guests. Dr. Pritchett introduced Sean McBrady, Social Studies Consultant, to present the 2015 MLK Macomb County award winners as follows:

High School - Art

First Place - Katelyn Galant, (Junior) Lakeview High School, "Tattoo Arm"

Second Place – Cody Colbert (Senior) Lakeview High School, "MLK with Microphone"

Third Place – Mia Frank (Senior) Lakeview High School, "Three Doves (Whimsical)"

Middle School

First Place - Samantha Slezak (8th Grade) Anchor Bay Middle School North, Essay "The Struggle to Harness"

Second Place – Gabriela Badalamenti (7th Grade) Anchor Bay Middle School North, Essay "Social Media and Your Drum Major Instinct"

Third Place – Kaelyn Filbey (6th Grade) L'Anse Creuse Middle School East, Essay "Social Media is Helpful to People Everyday"

Elementary School

First Place – Alajah McGee (4th Grade) Pleasantview Elementary, East Detroit Schools, Oratory Contest. Alajah performed the award winning speech for the Board of Education and audience.

Reverend Michael Curro, of the Interfaith Center, congratulated all the award winners and stated that all the students shined. He mentioned that they opened the Martin Luther King Art Center four years ago, on their 25th Anniversary. On behalf of the Interfaith Council, he praised the MISD Board and Administration for their leadership. They began with

the Middle Schools and now they include Elementary and High School competitions.

Reverend Curro said that they have received a lot of media coverage this morning at the Charles H. Wright Museum, including Channel 4 and Meteorologist Andrew Humpreys, who spoke about Life Long Learning.

Reverend Curro was very delighted with all of the students and spoke of the importance to continue the great work that they are doing for the rest of their lives and watch out for others. He thanked the students, parents, superintendents and teachers for attending tonight's recognition.

Mr. Bozymowski congratulated all the award winners, and their families.

Superintendent DeVault also thanked the parents, students, teachers and superintendents for attending. He mentioned that we have outstanding support for this program and are very proud of the work of Sean McBrady, Social Studies Consultant.

Mr. Slezak, spoke on behalf of his family, and expressed congratulations to all the students that received awards. The essay his daughter wrote took a lot of time and effort. He thanked the Superintendent, Board of Education and teachers for recognizing her excellent work.

ENGAGING,
EMPOWERING AND
INSPIRING STUDENTS
AT NEIL REID HIGH
SCHOOL

Assistant Superintendent Alberti stated that Neil Reid High School has created new curriculum course electives to engage and empower their students.

She introduced Mike Croy, Principal, Neil Reid High School to present "Engaging, Empowering and Inspiring Students."

Mike Croy, began with a scenario he presented to the Board of Education on what the students have learned in their First Aid/CPR Class. He enacted an emergency scene with an injured individual (mannequin) and described what the students learned to do if they encountered this type of situation:

1. Check to make sure there is no danger at the scene.
2. Call 911
3. Care for the individual.

He explained that First Aid is one of three new elective classes, the descriptions are as follows:

1. First Aid/CPR/AED – 1 semester – ½ Credit, this class is designed to prepare students to respond to injuries and sudden illness that may arise at home, school, work or in the community. Upon successful completion, they will receive certification in standard First Aid with AED and infant, child and adult CPR.

2. Applied Video Technology I and II – 1 semester – ½ Credit.
Students will have the opportunity to develop their computer skills related to writing, filming and editing short films. Students will acquire basic knowledge of how to use iPad and Windows applications.
3. Forensic Science – 1 semester – ½ Credit, this class is an inquiry based science class that will focus on forensics. Students will gain an understanding of the role of science in solving a case through a sequence of lab based activities. Activities include, DNA evidence, fingerprinting, hair fibers and handwriting analysis.

Eight students have already received their CPR certification. The Applied Video Tech was a trial class this year and was very successful. Neil Reid is now offering this elective as two classes (I and II), along with Forensic Science. Superintendent DeVault mentioned that the variety of classes offered give students exposure to a variety of interests, which they can utilize after they finish high school. These are excellent programs, and understood the need to implement these classes in our high school.

Superintendent DeVault thanked Mike Croy for coming and sharing this thematic approach to instruction with the Board.

CONSENT AGENDA

2. Moved by Genest, supported by Hubler, to approve the January 28, 2015 Consent Agenda, as recommended by Administration. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

PARENTING AWARENESS MONTH

3. Moved by Genest, supported by McCullough, to designate March as Parenting Awareness Month in Macomb County. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

CARNEGIE LEARNING SYSTEM

4. Moved by Hubler, supported by Farley, to authorized administration to purchase the Carnegie Learning System from Carnegie Learning, Inc., at a cost of \$30,000. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER

5. Moved by Farley, supported by Genest, to authorize Administration to purchase Internet service, as recommended by Mark Cummins, for a total cost of \$10,022 per month for a five year term. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

RETIREMENTS

6. Moved by Genest, 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.

Margaret Austin, AI Paraprofessional, and Colleen Lambert, AI Paraprofessional. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

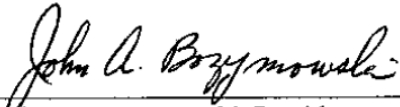
INFORMATION AND
INQUIRY

Paul Bodiya, Chief Financial Officer, provided an update on the Governor's 2015 Budget.

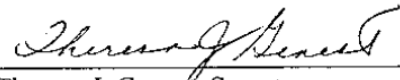
ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.



John A. Bozymowski, President



Theresa J. Genest, Secretary