

MACOMB INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 16, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Bozymowski at 6:30 P.M.

Members Present: Bozymowski, Genest, Farley and Hubler

Administrators Present: Alberti, Bodiya, Bollinger, Mullen and Pritchett

President Bozymowski asked to pause for a moment of silence in memory of Max McCullough. As a result of the death of a long serving board member, Max McCullough, there is a vacancy on the Board of Education.

1. The Agenda was accepted as presented with the addition of an Executive Session to discuss pending negotiations. Moved by Genest, supported by Farley. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

OPEN MEETINGS
COMPLIANCE

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

CITIZENS PRESENT/OMA

Steve Mittelstadt expressed his interest in filling the current Macomb ISD School Board vacancy. He stated that he has served on the Anchor Bay School Board for many years, including as Board President. He mentioned he could assist the Board in the areas of finance, special education and has provided personal references. Mr. Mittelstadt hopes to continue his contributions at the county level because serving students has always been his focus.

INTERESTING
THINGS ABOUT
STUDENTS AND STAFF

Superintendent DeVault reported that students from Lutz School for Work Experience returned to school very excited and enthusiastic about the coming school year. They have already started going to their respective job sites. Over the break, several calls were received from job sites that spoke so highly of both the work and the positive impact of Lutz students' participation.

Groups of students are practicing very hard for Opening Day ceremonies. They are excited to perform for such a large audience. Another success story, recently, at a Kid Rock concert, a former Lutz student, Jordan Obrecht, performed as a backup singer.

MISD Math Consultants, Marianne Srock, Trish Dunn and Kristi Hineman, are planning several professional development opportunities for secondary math teachers to assist them in understanding the SAT format so they are able to share with students in their classrooms. This, along

with plans to provide direct support to students through workshops, will be offered in the early winter to 11th grade students in the county.

Earlier today, Superintendent DeVault met with the new superintendent from Wayne RESA to discuss important pending legislation and regional issues. It was a good meeting, and are looking forward to cooperation with that county.

Earlier this week, a planning meeting was held for Manufacturing Day, which will be held on October 2. There will be 43 different manufacturers participating and hundreds of students from our high schools. Superintendent DeVault, County Executive Hackel and President Jim Jacobs of Macomb Community College, will be providing the welcome address. Last year, Macomb County had the largest Manufacturing Day event in America.

Superintendent DeVault shared that he will be attending meetings for Macomb Healthcare Foundation, and he learned that the one of the committee members is Tom Brisse, CEO of McLaren Macomb Hospital. Mr. Brisse went to Henry Ford when Superintendent DeVault was Assistant Principal. Mr. Brisse graduated in 1981 and his Administrative Assistant, Kimberly Jarvis, also was a student when Superintendent DeVault was Assistant Principal.

The regular Board Meeting scheduled for September 23 will be cancelled due to scheduling conflicts.

KINDERGARTEN HOME VISITS

Judy Pritchett, Chief Academic Officer, provided an overview of the Macomb Intermediate School District Kindergarten Home Visiting Project Pilot Program. This project is being funded through a grant in partnership with the Center for Child and Family Policy at Duke University (based on the North Carolina model). North Carolina has been very successful and the MISD partnered with Duke University to offer the program in Macomb County.

Home visiting gives schools and families a jump start in building a foundation for future success and communication with students and their families. A teacher and one other person, often a translator, visit the home and discuss students' transition into kindergarten. The project goals include providing Macomb schools and teachers with a powerful opportunity to increase parents' understanding of the role they play in their child's education; to encourage parental involvement at home and/or school; and develop a collaborative relationship with the parents and children. The MISD participation includes 320 students from 14 kindergarten classrooms from Anchor Bay, Warren Consolidated and Warren Woods school districts.

The outcomes from the home visits improve communication through relationship building, resulting in more knowledge for teacher and family. As a result, student achievement and attendance improve as well as family engagement. This project stems from the “Backpack Project.” Districts volunteered to participate in this pilot program and although it has a modest start, it is expected to expand.

- APPROVAL OF MINUTES 2. Moved by Farley, supported by Hubler, to approve the September 9, 2015 Meeting Minutes, as recommended by Administration. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT TO
BOARD VACANCY

Superintendent DeVault reported that Max McCullough was a great board member and made many contributions and we all miss him. Mr. DeVault indicated that his family continues to be supportive to the MISD.

In regards to tonight’s appointment, the Board members have received all the information submitted from the applicants and reviewed their information. Those that submitted their applications are:

Sue Trombley
Jason Davidson
Earl Rickman
Mike Schulte
Carl Territo
George Sobah
Steve Mittelstadt
Brian White

President Bozymowski thanked the candidates and applauded their services and assured them that the Board has read and reviewed their information. President Bozymowski asked what is the pleasure of the Board.

Mr. Farley expressed how very fortunate we are in Macomb County to have so many outstanding candidates seeking to fill the vacancy of the late Max McCullough.

3. Farley moved, supported by Hubler, to appoint Brian White to fill the vacancy.

Mr. Farley outlined the reasons for nominating Brian White for the appointment. It is because of Mr. White’s professional background and his community service, which includes over two decades of volunteering in support of youth activities. Also, Mr. White expressed strong interest in supporting children with special needs; and his active participation in school board activities and school issues.

Mr. Hubler also expressed how very fortunate we are in Macomb County for the broad range of candidates and that it wasn't an easy decision. He believes Brian White is an excellent candidate.

Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

John Bozymowski expressed congratulations, on behalf of the Board of Education, and thanked all of the candidates, first, for applying and, second, for the service they provide to the children and the community.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

4. Moved by Genest, supported by Farley, to move into executive session to discuss pending negotiations. Roll call vote Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

The Board moved into executive session at 6:55 P.M.

The regular meeting resumed at 7:05 P.M.

OFFICER
APPOINTMENTS

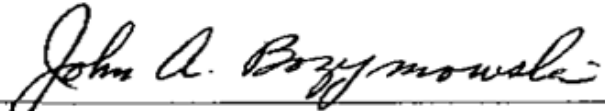
President Bozymowski reminded the Board of the need to review Board officer positions and that the Vice President office is currently vacant due to the passing of Max McCullough.

5. Moved by Farley, supported by Hubler, that Theresa Genest be nominated Vice President.
6. Moved by Farley, supported by Hubler, that nominations be closed and the Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.
7. Moved by Genest, supported by Farley, that Don Hubler be nominated Secretary.
8. Moved by Farley, supported by Hubler, that nominations be closed and the Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot. Ayes: all; nays: none.


ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.



John A. Bozymowski, President



Donald R. Hubler, Secretary