

MACOMB INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
April 10, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Bozymowski at 6:30p.m.

Members Present: Bozymowski, Farley, Genest, Hubler and White.

Administrators Present: Bodiya, DeVault, Flye, Michalak, Mullen and Rilley.

APPROVAL OF  
AGENDA

1. The Agenda was accepted and moved by Farley, supported by Hubler. 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. This is the time during the agenda, that anyone who wants to address the Board of Education may do so. Public participation is limited to five minutes per person.

INTERESTING  
THINGS ABOUT  
STUDENTS AND  
STAFF

Superintendent DeVault shared highlights and professional development opportunities from the Consultant Services Department starting with the recently held Macomb Talent Showcase by Shannon Williams, Career and Technical Education Consultant. It was the first annual Macomb Talent Showcase "Boot Camp" and it went extremely well. Macomb County high school seniors had a chance to learn about resume writing, networking, interviewing, and social media do's & don'ts. Thirty students participated in the boot camp. The event was so successful that another boot camp will be held on May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Craig Steiger, from the AI Program's Grounds and Garden Room received a Garden Grant from MSU. In December, the Macomb County Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) offered parents the opportunity to nominate an educational professional from various specialties who have

made a significant impact on their child's academic experience. The committee received a wonderful nomination on the behalf Lillian Karwacki a teacher at Sequoyah. She was one of the recipients of the PAC "Make a Difference" Award for 2019. It is was noted in the nomination letter that Lillian's efforts and capabilities as an educator make a difference in the lives of her students. Lillian will be recognized for her achievement at an awards ceremony on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at the MISD.

The AI Program thanked the citizens in the community who generously donated to our students and staff while they were out on Community Based Instruction (CBI) at Holiday Pizza in Sterling Heights and McDonald's in St. Clair Shores.

The AI Program celebrated March reading month with several guest readers and closed out the month with spirit week which featured themes from favorite books such as crazy hat day and pajama day.

On April 30<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Nicci's class at Rodgers AI will be having their first live performance of "The Three Little Pigs." Parents and siblings are invited.

Bovenschen will be holding its Parent Teacher Conferences on April 11th. On April 18 the Bovenschen PTO will hold its annual "Junior/Senior" Prom at the school. Any student completing this school year or next is invited to attend along with their family. Tuxedos will be provided to all the male students by Wesner Tuxedo and dresses are available for any girl needing a dress donated by staff members.

Bovenschen will also be participating in the Macomb County Special Olympics at Macomb Community College's South Campus on May 8. Families are welcome to attend and cheer on their athlete.

MISD Instructional Technology Specialists Jan Harding and Jennifer Parker were selected to speak on a variety of topics relating to Instructional Technology at the recent state Michigan Association for Computer Users in Learning

(MACUL) conference in Detroit. One of their sessions on the use of digital interactives for students had over 120 attendees. They also presented on data and assessment tools and the use of learning management systems in education. Additionally, Jennifer Parker and several other MISD staff worked the MiSchool Data booth at MACUL, distributing information about the portal to teachers and administrators from across the state.

MISD's Instructional Technology department recently ran 10 launch sessions for the new MISD Maker Space facility inside the Teacher's Workshop. Kathy Swanger, MISD Media Specialist, conducted an exciting workshop on Minecraft in Education in which teachers from Utica, Richmond, and South Lake participated in leading the sessions.

From the Management Technology Department, long-time technical employee, Butch Murray, was recognized by the Michigan Association of Education Data (MAEDS) for his dedication and service as a Board Member for over 30 years. The MAEDS (pronounced MAIDS) organization awarded Butch with a Lifetime Membership award. Butch is only the third person to have ever received this award in the over 54 years that the MAEDS has been in existence. Butch is instrumental in organizing statewide professional development and training focused on highly technical topics.

During March, 150 Lutz School for Work Experience and STEP students participated in Health Education classes. They received training on hygiene, stranger danger, relationships and many other topics. The classes were taught by Lutz teachers Adrienne Bailor and Jessica Yenchar.

Thirty Lutz & STEP students also participated in the Acquiring Community Employment Services (ACES) two-day job fair. On Day 1 students were given training in job acquisition and interview skills. On Day 2 there were 23 Macomb County businesses at the job fair to interview students. Joe Delegato, Transition Coordinator, worked along with the Macomb

County Transition Council which were sponsors of this event. County Executive Mark Hackel spoke to students and employers.

The Lutz Student Council sponsored Spirit Week. As part of Spirit Week they collected items to put together Easter baskets. Under the direction of Lutz teacher Lauren Kennaugh they assembled 117 Easter baskets and delivered them to Macomb County Department of Human Services.

Maple Lane did a series of activities for March Reading Month including inviting guest readers from the Sterling Heights Police and Mr. Michalak. A door decorating contest was also held in which classrooms decked out their door based on a collective favorite book. The winning classroom will receive a pizza party. Finally, they held a Spirit Week including DEAR time and read a book to a buddy room.

Several Neil Reid High School seniors attended the Macomb County Transition Conference on March 27<sup>th</sup>. Neil Reid staff wrote and received a \$1,000 grant to research and build sustainable vegetable gardens. Gleaners congratulated Neil Reid on doing an outstanding job with the mobile pantry.

Rockwell Middle School has integrated five students back into their local school district full time. They are very proud of the hard work and success of those students. Parent Teacher conferences will take place on April 11, 2019, and currently have projected a 96% parent participation based on scheduling.

Steve Berg, Director of Special Education Management Services, created a Special Education Data Profile for each district in Macomb County. Steve used many different reports and graphs from MISchool Data and presented the charts in a meaningful way to tell data stories focused on outcomes for children with Special Needs including graduation dropout, performance on assessments, enrollment trends, disability trends, and more. The Data Profile was a report on paper for only Macomb Districts. Steve worked with Kristi Martin, Director of Management Technology, and the MISchool Data

project team to bring the Data Portrait to MISchool Data in a dashboard-like view of Special Education Data. Steve's work will benefit every district in the State of Michigan.

CITIZENS PRESENT  
(OMA)

Secretary Hubler reported that two persons had submitted a request for public comment.

Jason Davidson, current Board Member for Clintondale Community Schools, expressed his support for Kathy Voss and recommended she be appointed to the Clintondale Community Schools vacancy.

Citizen Frank Marella, and a former school board member, expressed his support for candidate Marc Alexander and requested the MISD Board appoint him to fill the vacancy on the Clintondale Community Schools Board of Education.

APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES

2. Moved by Genest, supported by White, to approve the March 13, 2019, Minutes, as recommended by Administration. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

RETIREMENTS

3. Moved by Hubler, supported by White that the Board of Education accept, with regret, notification of retirements as per the above, and express its deep appreciation for their efforts on behalf of the Board and its administration:

Susan Danielewicz  
Occupational Therapist

Wilma Holifield  
Transportation Assistant

Frank Serafino  
Paraprofessional

Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

CLINTONDALE  
BOARD OF  
EDUCATION  
APPOINTMENT

President Bozymowski stated that the purpose of this portion of the Agenda is to fill the vacant seat on the Board of Education of Clintondale Community Schools and asked Superintendent DeVault for comments. Superintendent DeVault asked Assistant Superintendent Rosetta Mullen to outline the process for the Board and citizens present.

Rosetta Mullen, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources/Legal Affairs, provided a review of the appointment process, which began with the February 27, 2019 letter from the Superintendent of Clintondale Community Schools, to Donald Hubler, Secretary of the Macomb Intermediate School District Board of Education stating that: The Clintondale Community Schools Board was unable to appoint a candidate to fill the vacated seat on their Board within the statutory deadline during their Meeting on February 25, 2019, and requested, on behalf of the Clintondale Board President, that the MISD Board fill this vacancy by appointment, pursuant to MCL 168.311 of the Michigan Election law. The vacancy was caused by the resignation of Shenique Moss. The appointment expires December 31, 2020.

The MISD posted the notice of vacancy on its website and in local newspapers, which serves the communities that encompass the Clintondale Community Schools district; and in addition a local newspaper published a story on the vacancy and the appointment process in its March 13<sup>th</sup> edition. Clintondale Community Schools also posted the notice of vacancy on its website. The notice provided eligibility criteria and stated that Applications will be accepted through 4:00 pm on March 27, 2019.

Pursuant to this process, we have four candidates who submitted letters of interest for this Board's consideration. All four candidates and Mr. Fisher, President of the Clintondale Community Schools Board of Education, were notified in writing of tonight's meeting by Mr. Hubler. The four candidates are: Marc Alexander, Michael Manning, Lisa Valerio-Nowc and Kathy Voss.

President Bozymowski confirmed that MISD Board of Education has received letters of interest and resumes from the candidates. Also the Board of Education was provided letters of support and recommendations from a cross section of citizens and leaders in the county. President Bozymowski asked what the pleasure of the Board is regarding the Clintondale appointment.

Vice President Genest said, "Serving on the Board of Education as we know is an important role. All of us have served or are currently serving locally and on the MISD Board. We appreciate the citizens who have volunteered to serve on the Clintondale Community Schools Board. There are many excellent candidates and we appreciate the communications we have had on behalf of the candidates from the community-from letters of interested citizens who are concerned for their school district.

After reviewing the information, support and information provided, this is a difficult decision for us to reach; however, I would like to nominate Marc Alexander. I am impressed by Mark's outstanding background, support and that he had previously ran for the Clintondale Community Schools Board of Education."

Moved by Genest, and supported by White to appoint Marc Alexander, to fill the vacancy on the Board of Education for Clintondale Community Schools; said appointment to expire December 31, 2020.

Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

President Bozymowski commended the candidates and expressed congratulations to Marc Alexander on behalf of the Board of Education.

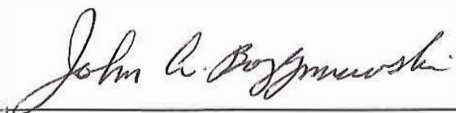
## SCHOOL BOARD

As announced at the previous Board meeting, Superintendent DeVault reminded the Board of the All Academic Banquet being held on the same date as the next Board meeting April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.; therefore, the Board meeting will begin at 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.



John A. Bozymowski, President



Donald R. Hubler, Secretary

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