

MACOMB INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
November 9, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Genest at 5:04 p.m.

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

Administrators Present: DeVault, Bodiya, Michalak, Flye and Frank.

APPROVAL OF
AGENDA

1. The Agenda was accepted and moved by Farley, supported by Schulte. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

INTERESTING THINGS

Superintendent DeVault reported that the Lutz Veteran's day event was outstanding. Each year Lutz hosts the ceremony where our kids sing the national anthem and the pledge of allegiance and the principals read a long list of veterans who are associated with the staff, parents and Board of Education. Ed Farley along with John Bozymowski attended the event and were recognized for their service. Mr. Farley commented how much he appreciated the ceremony.

President Genest wanted to say thank you for your service, we appreciate it.

Superintendent DeVault also reported that the Macomb Reads event took place November 5th. The kids loved the characters and face painting. The weather and tent with activities was perfect. There were a lot of volunteers and commitment and it was successful because of our culture and climate. Mr. Hubler added that the room was full and participation seemed up. He truly enjoyed the youth of kids and their energy. Mr. Schulte added that the event was wonderful.

Chief Academic Officer, Dr. Alesia Flye reported that they had over 1,700 students registered for the event.

OPEN MEETINGS
COMPLIANCE

President Genest asked patrons wishing to be heard to fill out a form for that purpose and submit it to Mr. White. Three minutes per person would be allowed under Section II, A.

MATHEMATICS UPDATE

Chief Academic Officer, Dr. Alesia Flye, introduced Lea McAllister and Scott Block, ISD Mathematics Consultants.

The consultants provide professional learning opportunities for mathematics with focus in three areas: (1) deepening content knowledge of mathematics teachers in grades Pre-K-12, (2) shifting instructional practice to meet the focus, coherence and rigor of the

Michigan Mathematics Standards; and (3) supporting teachers with integrating numeracy into daily instructional practices. The MAISA Early Math Task Force, a sub-committee of GELN, has developed essential instructional practices in early mathematics for prekindergarten to grade 3 as well as essential school-wide and center-wide practices in literacy and mathematics for prekindergarten and elementary grades. Lea stated that districts have requested assistance with number talks, fluency, textbook adoption process and the tutoring initiative.

The ISD is continuing to provide Math Recovery courses which enables teachers to put into practice research in the areas of assessing, teaching, and learning number concepts. The K-5 Math Coaches Network was started this year and includes 23 school and district-based math coaches amongst 10 public schools and 1 virtual school.

On the secondary level, Scott presented that districts are thinking through how to emerge from schoolwide and instructional practices enacted during the pandemic. Additionally, the work they are requesting is driven by a desire to support new teachers, equipping returning teachers, and increasing student achievement. Districts are asking for help in developing a vision for the mathematics classroom, engaging teachers in examining their own instructional practices, classroom feedback, textbook adoptions, book studies, disciplinary literacy essentials as well as deliberate, research-supported efforts to motivate, engage, and support reading, writing, speaking, and listening in mathematics.

Superintendent DeVault said that it is important to have influence on policies to get the right thing for Macomb and the State. We have sharp dedicated employees leading the way.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

2. Moved by Farley supported by Schulte, to approve the November 9, 2022, Consent Agenda, as recommended by Administration. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

INFORMATION AND INQUIRY

Superintendent DeVault reported great news for Macomb ISD as the county gave overwhelming support of 70.5% in favor of the bond millage. The first election results came in around 11 p.m. and subsequently thereafter each city and township was very positive and in some cases three or four to one in support. The superintendent praised all the parents and volunteers who provided information and developed videos and photos of their children for support. Superintendent DeVault indicated this was a statement election that demonstrates the wide and deep support for the ISD and our special needs services over many years.

President Genest wanted to thank everyone for their hard work, we truly appreciate it. Mike Schulte echoed the support that there is tremendous respect from the county for everyone's contributions.

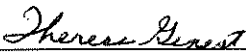
SPECIAL REPORTS AND
FUTURE BUSINESS

Superintendent DeVault reported that given the conflicting schedules and the approaching holiday, the November 23, 2022, Board meeting may be canceled or the time may be changed to 5:00 p.m.

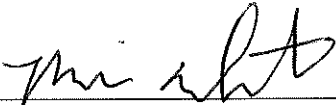
ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.



Theresa Genest, President



Brian White, Secretary

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