

MACOMB INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
October 10, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

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

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

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

APPROVAL OF
AGENDA

1. The Agenda was accepted, with the addition of hold Executive Session to review property purchase; and moved by Genest, supported by White. 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.

INTERESTING
THINGS ABOUT
STUDENTS AND
STAFF

Superintendent DeVault announced as part of the Anti-bullying Month in October, Lutz School implemented a program called "choose kindness." Each student will receive a button with that theme and also earn stickers that they can put on their locker when they are caught being kind and responsible.

Lutz PE teacher, Pam Penkala, is presenting at the SHAPE Conference this weekend. She also received a grant from SHAPE to help purchase PE equipment for the students.

Macomb's annual Manufacturing Day was held last Friday, October 5th, and is the largest in the nation. Over 2,400 students participated from 28 Macomb County high schools. This year the largest number of employers participated with 20 new businesses; and some businesses had to be turned away. This program included 82 tours given by 72 host manufacturing companies. John Paul Rea, Director of Macomb County Planning and Economic Development; County Executive Mark Hackel and several legislators attended. Nine students from

Neil Reid High School participated in Manufacturing Day as well.

The MISD hosted a Michigan State Board of Education Candidate Forum on September 25th. All four candidates running for the open seats sat on the panel and had the opportunity to introduce themselves and participated in the question and answer session which was moderated by Superintendent DeVault.

The October 24, 2018, Board Meeting may be canceled due to conflicting schedules.

SUMMER SCHOOL REPORTS

Chief Academic Office, Alesia Flye, shared information with the Board on the Macomb County Summer School Camps that were held at the MISD and throughout Macomb this past summer. Over 2,350 students, from young fours through high school juniors, participated in programs with an increased focus on literacy this year.

The Children First Summer Camp is for homeless children and had 48 students participate. The day camps were held in Macomb municipalities and lasted anywhere from four to eight weeks. The children received breakfast, lunch and a snack; they attended field trips to the Detroit Zoo, Jimmy Johns Baseball Field, Metro Beach and the New Baltimore Beach. Day-to-day activities included fitness, crafts, games, sports and contests.

The Bilingual Program is a unique program in that a parent was required to attend along with their child; there were over 60 students who participated with their parents learning and practicing new skills. There was an Arabic Heritage Language Camp for grades K-3. There was a Failure Free Reading Camp for students in grades 3-6 where computer software was utilized to help both students and parents learn English reading and writing skills. There was a Transitional 1st to 2nd Grade Camp to prepare first graders for the transition to second grade. At the end of the bilingual camps, students did some impressive presentations. The parents are so appreciative of these opportunities for their children and themselves.

Kinder Connect was a camp for students entering Kindergarten to help prekindergarten students seamlessly transition into Kindergarten. Children received engaging instructional strategies focusing on letter/sound knowledge, print concepts, phonological awareness, narrative skills and language development. First Grade Fundamentals was a camp for students entering first grade to help strengthen their reading and writing skills and to develop habits of independent, lifelong readers. Families in both camps received high-quality children's books and literacy resources on a weekly basis to support learning in the home. Over 1,000 children from 14 schools districts in Macomb participated.

Linking Literacy, Science and Our Earth had approximately 438 students entering grades 2-4 participate in the science-themed summer camp. This year, the time was increased to 64 hours of instruction for the four-week program. Instructional resources featured children's books and best practice reading and writing strategies to guide scientific inquiry.

The SAT Khan Academy Bootcamp had 135 students attend where they created and linked their College Board student accounts to a Khan Academy account. The advantage of linking the accounts creates a tailored practice plan for the student. Students completed about four hours of their plan while having fun "brain breaks" in between.

Approximately 410 students in 7th and 8th grades attended the Summer Mindset Math Camp in 16 participating school districts. There was an average increase of 32 percent from pre-test to post-test at the end of the camp.

Nearly 100 middle school students attended the Summer Technology Camp at the Educational Service Center. Classes the students could attend included: 3D Design with Tinkercad; Coding and Robotics; Game Design with Gamestar Mechanic; Minifig Stop Motion Animation; Digital Media Production and a new session—Minecraft.

Justin Michalak, Assistant Superintendent of Special Education and Student Services introduced Kerri LaDuke, Special Education Consultant. Building Bridges Summer Camp was for students with Autism Spectrum and Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders. Professionals and paraprofessionals from 12 school districts participated to accommodate the 140 students. The camp's mission is to provide camp experiences with focus on the development of social interaction and communication skills. Opportunities were provided for instruction and rehearsal of real-life social situations in natural environments such as putt-putt golf; Metro Beach; C. J. Barrymore's. The biggest hit with students was the interaction with "Lorelei" a service dog who helped students try new things. There was a lot of positive parent feedback from these experiences for their children.

The Visually Impaired program and staff from SRS ran a camp for students with visual impairments.

There was an exotic animals event where County Executive Mark Hackel and Superintendent DeVault had a boa constrictor wrapped around their shoulders and stomachs.

Students from POHI made products that we sell in our store.

New Horizons works on daily living skills teaching students how to cook for themselves; apps for phones were demonstrated to help read directions on boxes. An idea for the future is to have a mentoring program for graduating students.

President Bozymowski expressed there are so many wonderful things happening in our county for our children and thanked the MISD staff and community for developing and running these camps.

MARSHALL PLAN UPDATE

Alesia Flye, Chief Academic Officer, updated the Board on the current status of the Marshall Plan for Talent, introduced by Governor Rick Snyder last February, to revitalize the education system in Michigan in order to better prepare the state for projected job growth.

The Marshall Plan for Talent aims to help students find opportunities in numerous fields, including IT and computer science, manufacturing, healthcare, professional trades and business. It encourages certificate-based education instead of relying solely on the four-year college model. These fields are expected to see massive growth within the next few years, and considering the pool of available employees as it is now, the state of Michigan will not have enough skilled workers to fill them. Governor Snyder’s Marshall Plan Budget is \$100 million and the allocations under House Bill 941 were presented.

In order to create a sustained leadership in Macomb County, the Macomb County Talent, Business and Education Round Table was created. This round table has members from the Macomb County Planning and Economic Department, Macomb Community College, four Macomb County school district superintendents along with several administrators from the MISD. Manufacturing Day is part of this initiative when looking at the talent gap and education in the state.

Romeo Community Schools was recently designated as a Ford Next Generation Learning (Ford NGL) community. Alesia Flye outlined the goals of the Robotics teams at all high schools and organizing industry councils for high-need career opportunities

President Bozymowski thanked Dr. Flye and her staff for all of the hard work put into creating these opportunities for all students.

**APPROVAL OF
CONSENT AGENDA**

- 2. Moved by Genest, supported by White, to approve the October 10, 2018, Consent Agenda, as recommended by Administration. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

**APRPOVAL OF FM
EQUIPMENT FOR
AUDIOLOGY**

- 4. Moved by White, supported by Genest, to approve the purchase and repairs of Audiology FM Equipment benefiting Hearing Impaired students in Macomb County in an amount not to exceed \$145,000 from the Phonoak Hearing Impaired, Inc. Westone and Oticon companies, as recommended by Administration. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF
PARENT ADVISORY
COMMITTEE
MEMBERS

5. Moved by Hubler, supported by Farley, to approve the appointment of Mrs. Janice Slattery, Rising Stars Academy, to the Parent Advisory Committee for the 2018-2019 school year, as recommended by Administration. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

PURCHASE OF
TRANSITIONAL
PROGRAM VEHICLES

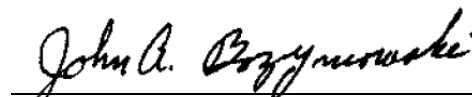
6. Moved by Farley, supported by White, to purchase five vans in an amount not to exceed \$150,000, as recommended by Administration. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION


7. Motioned by Genest, supported by Farley, to move into Executive Session to discuss property negotiations. Roll Call: all present. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried. The Board moved into Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. The regular meeting resumed at 7:50 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

8. Moved by White, supported by Genest, to adjourn. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.
The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.



John A. Bozymowski, President



Donald R. Hubler, Secretary

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