

MACOMB INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
October 26, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Hubler at 5:02 p.m.

Members Present: Hubler, Farley, White and Schulte
Members Absent: Genest (excused)
Administrators Present: DeVault, Rilley, 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 Autism Connect Halloween Trunk or Treat was a success this past Saturday. Students kicked the year off with PBIS and this month 15 students earned their PBIS Bear Gear T-Shirt.

The Lutz School for Work Experience is hosting a Veteran's Day ceremony on November 9, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. MIPP Millar had their Trunk or Treat for students and families last Thursday and around 130 kids enjoyed receiving treats from staff, visiting with the Mounted Police horses and seeing the Chesterfield fire truck. The other MIPP sites will hold their Trunk or Treat events this Wednesday and Thursday.

Halloween spirit was in full swing at Glen Peters. The staff organized a wonderful spirit week full of games, crafts, spooky fun and of course candy. The parent group hosted their annual trunk or treat and it was well attended by students, families and staff. The Clinton River Watershed Council brought their Stream Leaders Program to Peters. Students learned about bugs, creeks, leeches, and even got to try on waders.

Rockwell's level four and five students participated in a fieldtrip to Blake's Apple Orchard on October 25th to celebrate their positive behavior. Rockwell will host their annual trunk or treat on Monday, October 31st.

OPEN MEETINGS
COMPLIANCE

Vice President Hubler 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.

TRUANCY OFFICER
UPDATE

David Rilley, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources and Operations introduced Jason Stabley and Carla Rosado, the Macomb County attendance enforcement officers that represent all twenty one

districts and charters in Macomb County both in school and in court. Carla Rosado stated that prior to the COVID pandemic, the top reasons for chronic absences were for health, healthcare and lack of transportation especially in the southern end of the county. Every referral that is received by the attendance enforcement officers has to have a response and if a parent refuses they are referred to the prosecutor's office. Most cases get dismissed in a year and they typically do not have many return offenders. Referrals after COVID rose in the amount of days rather than the amount of students. For example in 2018/2019 students had an average of 20 to 30 days where last year those increased an average of 60 to 90 days.

Justin Michalak, Assistant Superintendent of Special Education and Student Services inquired on the court's perception of therapy appointments. The truancy officer responded that as long as they are part of the IEP they would consider them within the acceptable guidelines.

Board Vice President Don Hubler asked if we know why referrals are coming in with more days. The truancy officer stated that unfortunately there is a trend of increase absenteeism which requires closer monitoring and response by the districts and attendance officers. Attendance officers do prioritize elementary over high school because students that tend to miss a lot of school typically will not graduate.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. Moved by Schulte, supported by Farley, to approve October 12, 2022 minutes, as recommended by Administration. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

RETIREMENTS

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

Kathleen Slater
Paraprofessional

Vice President Don Hubler wanted to thank Ms. Slater for her dedication and long term service.

EYETECH EYE GAZE DEVICES & ACCESSORIES

4. Dave Riley, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources and Operations informed the Board that the eye gaze technology allows kids to utilize their vision to manipulate the computer if they are unable to use their hands.

Moved by Schulte, supported by White, to authorize Administration to award the purchase of Eyetech Eye Gaze Devices and Accessories

to Eyetech Digital Systems as recommended by Justin Michalak in an amount not to exceed \$41,559.20. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

ROOFING PROJECTS AT
LUTZ SCHOOL & GLEN
PETERS SCHOOL

5. Paul Bodiya, Chief Financial Officer informed the Board that this is the first of many roofing projects and these projects will be done in stages. Brian Smilnak informed the Board that the ISD hired a firm to complete a roof analysis. It was determined that the PVC roofing would be the ideal roofing product as it is a single ply rubber system where the seams are welded together.

Moved by Schulte, supported by White, to authorize Administration to award the roofing projects at Lutz School and Glen Peters School to Superior Services RSH, Inc., as recommended by Sal Pellerito, Paul J. Bodiya and Chris Frank in an amount not to exceed \$387,629.00. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

SPECIAL REPORTS AND
FUTURE BUSINESS

Superintendent DeVault reported that given the schedules and election day results, the November 9, 2022, Board meeting may be canceled or the time may be changed to 5:00 p.m.

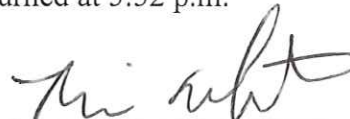
ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m.



Donald R. Hubler, Vice President



Brian White, Secretary

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