

MACOMB INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
January 8, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Genest at 4:25 p.m.

Members Present: Genest, Hubler, Farley, White and Schulte.
Members Absent: None.

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

APPROVAL OF
AGENDA

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

INTERESTING THINGS

Superintendent DeVault reported that Special Olympics Winter Games starts February 4th SAP has 12 students and 4 chaperones- Craig Steiger, Brian Kelly, Angela Swoz and Laura Piebiak.

All of January and February the secondary Autism program is proud to participate in the American Heart Challenge Program. They want to inspire all staff and students to be active and learn how to keep our hearts healthy. By partnering with the American Heart Association, they will raise awareness to help fight heart disease and stroke while learning simple ways to make big changes with their health. On Thursday, February 14th they will support the mission of the American Heart Association to be a relentless force for a world of longer, healthier lives. Bear families have the opportunity to make a donation to the American Heart Association to receive a commemorative t-shirt to wear during our all school AHA event heart health basketball event.

The Bovenschen PE staff are preparing our Lancer Basketball team for some upcoming Special Olympic activities. It is a busy month with them participating in scrimmage games on January 7th at Flynn, February 1st at Dakota and then participating in the Kid's Healthy Heart Challenge basketball game at Bovenschen on February 13th against the Bovenschen staff.

Lutz will be sending nine athletes to the winter Special Olympics from February 4th through 7th. Their athletes and chaperones spend three nights and four days participating in snow shoe racing and hanging out at the Grand Traverse Hotel. Lots of fun is had by all and this could not happen without their wonderful staff chaperones.

Eighteen Lutz students will be attending an Oakland University basketball game in February. Oakland University provides a perfect arena and event for our students to attend and enjoy the fun with their

friends and staff members.

Students in our postsecondary SXI classrooms recently enjoyed a trip to the Detroit Parade Company. They were treated to a behind the scenes look and history of the floats used in the Thanksgiving Day parade.

Student in the Peter's MOCI program are doing an outstanding job operating our PBIS GOTCHA store and sales are at an all-time high. Students oversee tracking inventory, stocking shelves and completing transactions. We are grateful to the creativity of teachers Sam Jenkins, Michelle Pearse and Amanda Hayes for their work to expand this program for the students.

Thank you to our PBIS leadership team for their work to expand the Peter's PBIS library. Resources have been expanded to include puppets, puzzles and adapted books.

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.

BOARD OF EDUCATION RECOGNITION

Superintendent DeVault started the recognition of the MISD Board of Education by expressing his gratitude and appreciation of the Board and staff who make up a culture of people who want to work together and do the right thing for students and families. He added that we are fortunate to have this Board and leadership team for the county. We are able to do everything because the Board stands behind us. We are grateful for this Board; you are unique, you know what we are doing and you show endless support.

To honor the Board, on behalf of the administrative team, Justin Michalak, Assistant Superintendent of Special Education and Student Services, presented each Board member with products made by the MISD students; a wooden cutting board, a bird house and homemade cookies. Kristi Martin, Director of Management Technology, expressed her appreciation of the Board and thanked them for all they do for the students and families in Macomb County. She also presented the Board with homemade mementos on behalf of the whole Management Technology team.

President Genest thanked everyone in attendance.

BENCHMARK REVIEW

Chief Academic Officer, Dr. Alesia Flye reported that Andrew Semanson will be providing an update on the work with local school districts required by MDE for identified schools. Andrew Semanson

is our lead on continuous improvement. The team has worked hard and wrapped up meetings recently. MDE wants to replicate our model.

Andrew Semanson stated that the school index is the driving force; a seven piece weighted accumulation of data. A school index under five percent or a graduation rate less than two thirds will place a school to be CSI. State assessment proficiency and growth are the biggest factors. We have seven schools across six districts in Macomb County with this designation- three are public school academies and three are LEA's. Our team looks at the process, local and state assessments to identify goals on what is lacking. Macomb's response module offers a balance assessment series, formative assessment practices, viable curriculum, systems thinking, early warning intervention or attendance works for the whole child/social emotional learning. Our job is to meet the needs of districts and support throughout the process.

Vice President Hubler wanted to congratulate the team on their form and the hard work they put into context.

CONSENT AGENDA

2. Moved by White, supported by Schulte, to approve the February 12, 2025 Consent Agenda, as recommended by Administration. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Motion carried.

RETIREMENT

3. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following retirement:

Susan Yates
Occupational Therapist

Moved by Schulte, supported by Hubler, that the Board of Education accept, with regret, notifications of retirement as per the above, and express its deep appreciation for their efforts on behalf of the Board and its Administration. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Motion carried.

PAC RECOMMENDATION- WARREN WOODS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

4. Moved by Schulte, supported by Hubler to approve the appointment of Sabrina Tyszkowski, Warren Woods Public Schools and alternate Heather Rebeaud, Warren Woods Public Schools to the Parent Advisory Committee for the 2024-2025 school year as recommended by Administration. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Motion carried.

MISD- ROOFING PROJECTS

5. Chief Financial Officer, Paul Bodiya reported that we have an ongoing roofing cycle and will finish two of the roofs
Moved by Farley, supported by White, to authorize Administration to award the roofing projects at Lutz School, Glen Peters School and Neil Reid High School to Source One Construction, LLC as recommended by Sal Pellerito, Paul J. Bodiya and Chris Frank in an

amount not to exceed \$673,000.00. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Motion carried.

KINDERGARTEN
TRANSITION KITS

6. Moved by Schulte, supported by Farley, to authorize Administration to purchase transition to school materials (for backpacks) from Learning Gizmos, the low bidder, in the amount of \$184,960.00, as recommended by Alesia Flye.

SPECIAL REPORTS AND
FUTURE BUSINESS

Superintendent DeVault reported that given conflicting schedules, the February 12, 2025 Board meeting may be canceled or the time may be changed to 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

7. Moved by Farley, supported by White, to adjourn. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.



Theresa Genest, President



Brian White, Secretary

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