

MACOMB INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
April 9, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Hubler at 4:00 p.m.

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

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

APPROVAL OF  
AGENDA

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

INTERESTING THINGS

Superintendent DeVault reported that we are in the midst of our new student IEP's who are coming from many of our local 21 school districts as well as Peters and Bovenschen. We are looking at 35 plus new students for the 2025-26 school year. On April 23<sup>rd</sup> we are taking all 28 of our 2025 completers to the Tigers game starting at 1 p.m. It is an awesome time that is most often the first Tigers game our students have ever been to.

Maple Lane attended the Sterling Heights Area Community Foundation meeting today and was awarded with a generous donation. This was facilitated by the Sterling Heights Police Department.

Chief Financial Officer Bodiya reported that the Area 3 Food Service Workshop with St. Clair and Macomb will have 480 attendees this year and they have an opportunity to hear good news, visit with vendors and listen to Herman Moore speak.

Vice President Hubler reported that he attended the volunteer breakfast. We are unique in Macomb in recognizing volunteers where all schools are represented and our volunteers are so proud to participate and provide assistance for students. The students that sang were just joyful.

OPEN MEETINGS  
COMPLIANCE

Vic 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.

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

Michelle Marcellin, Staff & Student Support Consultant reported on the great work we have around attendance because of restorative practice. Because of the work that is being done, referrals are down countywide. The Strategic Restorative Proactive Collaboration

training was founded by Roy Burton. Educators are mandated to take a different approach to discipline. These programs create a different culture and climate where suspensions and expulsions are reserved only for the most egregious behaviors. Currently Chippewa Valley Schools, Eastpointe Community Schools, Fitzgerald Public Schools, Fraser Public Schools, L'Anse Creuse Public Schools, Mount Clemens Community Schools, South Lake Public Schools, Warren Consolidated Public Schools and Warren Woods Public Schools are partnering with Roy Burton.

The ISD currently offers a number of courses in Restorative Practice including Restorative Practices in the Classroom, Mastering Restorative Flowcharts, Restorative Practices Think Big, Be Smart for Your Students and Restorative Action Plans.

Superintendent DeVault stated that there is not one thing we can do, it comes as a package to help our students.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

2. Moved by Farley, supported by White, to approve the April 9, 2025 Consent Agenda, as recommended by Administration. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Motion carried.

#### COMPUTER AND RELATED EQUIPMENT

3. Karl Ostrowski, Desktop Manager, reported that each year we request computers and related equipment for students and staff. This year we've already been warned by vendors that some may not be fillable based on tariffs and there could be a 25% increase.

Moved by Schulte, supported by Farley, to purchase Dell laptop computers and related equipment from People Driven Technologies of Byron Center, MI, in the amount of \$720,000 as recommended by the administration. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Motion carried.

#### XELLO LICENSE EXTENSION APPROVAL

4. Moved By White, supported by Farley, to authorize Administration to extend the license with Xello for employability development services in the county not to exceed \$150,478.52 using the Perkins Federal grant fund and provide licenses for 90 sites for the 2025-2026 school year. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Motion carried.

#### COPIER PURCHASE

5. Moved by White, supported by Schulte, to approve the purchase of nineteen copiers from Ricoh USA, Inc. in a total amount not to exceed \$229,509.00 as recommended by administration. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Motion carried.

#### GREAT START READINESS PROGRAM- CURRICULUM MATERIALS

6. Motion by Farley, supported by White, to authorize Administration to purchase state approved Great Start Readiness curriculum/assessment materials with Brookes Publishing Co., HighScope, Connect4Learning Kaplan Early Learning and The Creative Curriculum-Teaching strategies in the amount not to exceed \$136,499

from the approved Michigan Department of Lifelong Education (MiLEAP) list. Ayes: all, Nays: none. Motion carried.

#### BUDGET AMENDMENT

7. Chief Financial Officer, Paul Bodiya, Assistant Superintendent of Business, Chris Frank and Accountant, Shawn Freer gave an overview of projections for the 2025-2026 budget. While the districts including the ISD are waiting for final resolution, the House, Senate and Governor have submitted separate proposals each containing variable state aid and categorical recommendations.

Paul and Chris also mentioned the number of projects that the district must continue to prepare for to allocate resources. Various programs were also reviewed that the local districts benefit from such as curriculum, instruction, training, technology, transportation and special education.

Moved by Farley, supported by Schulte that this resolution shall be the general appropriations act of Macomb Intermediate School District for the fiscal year 2024-2025. An ACT to make appropriations, to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations; and to provide for the disposition of all income received by Macomb Intermediate School District in compliance with P.A. 621.

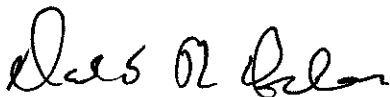
#### SPECIAL REPORTS AND FUTURE BUSINESS

Superintendent DeVault reported that given conflicting schedules, the April 23, 2025 Board meeting may be canceled or the time may be changed to 4:00 p.m.

#### ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting was adjourned at 5:36 p.m.



Donald Hubler, Vice President



Brian White, Secretary

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