

MACOMB INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 13, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Genest at 4:07 p.m
Members Present: Genest, Hubler, Farley, White and Schulte.

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

APPROVAL OF 1.
AGENDA

The Agenda was accepted and moved by Schulte, supported by Farley with the removal for the Summer School presentation..
Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

INTERESTING THINGS

Mr. Farley reported that the Lutz Veteran's day event had a wonderful turn out. President Genest added that the students were terrific. Superintendent DeVault added that WJR also hosted a radiocast on Veteran's Day at Nino Salvaggio's.

Superintendent DeVault reported that last Friday he attended an event at M-Tec funded by the Navy. There were at least twenty brand new CNC machines and welding stations where approximately thirty students will start the program.

Assistant Superintendent of Special Education and Student Services, Justin Michalak reported that Clinton Township held a soft opening for the new inclusive playground where township officials, the committee and a few classrooms attended. The landscaping still needs to be completed so a hard opening will occur in the spring. The playground includes a poured in place rubber material surface with a number of different pieces for students and exercise equipment for adults.

Chief Academic Officer, Dr. Alesia Flye reported that the county curriculum group did a mathematics learning lab at Warren Woods with Number Talks. They received excellent feedback and some want to adopt the program. Leadership Macomb was held at M-Tec and Dakota High School today which showed all the impressive opportunities we have as a county. There were panel discussions from Richmond, Center Line and Chippewa along with our business partners. Joanne also spoke on the impact of investment with GSRP and our early learners.

SAP will be accepting canned food and non-perishable items from Monday, November 4th through Friday, December 6th.

On November 6th, the Lutz student council elected four new members. On November 11th, they recognized 18 veterans at our Veteran's Day celebration. Mark Hackel was also in attendance as an honorary VFW member. During the week of November 18th, student council will be hosting a Giving Tree event collecting donations for Family Youth Interventions (FYI). FYI provides safe spaces for young people ages 12-17 to have their basic needs met, be listened to and respected, discover more of their strength and talents, and learn coping and resiliency skills.

Maple Lane will be having a turkey trot, supported by their high school buddies from Warren Consolidated.

MIPP received a \$3,000 grant from Jaime's Smiles/Four County Community Foundation. The grant will be used to purchase equipment that can be trialed in the child's home, thumb and hand splints which are typically not covered by insurance, and items for improving feeding skills. MIPP is extremely thankful for Four County Community Foundation's continued support of the program and their children/families year after year.

Last Thursday, the MIPP infant program held their first parent support group. The staff were impressed with the number of parents that attended and parents expressed that they enjoyed meeting other parents.

Peter's speech therapists Sam Czasak and Tammy Martoni recently presented at the AAC conference in Lansing and did an outstanding job. This year Peter's revisited their peer pal partnership with Ms. Cathy Sobel's fourth grade class at Ojibwa. The peer pals visit every other Friday and participate in an activity with their Peter's friends.

Peter's recently was able to purchase an interactive ceiling projector from the Hambrick Foundation grant which has provided new sensory fun for students. They are also thrilled to partner with Project Unify students from Dakota. This group does a great job supporting the Peter's students during their monthly PBIS Student of the Month assemblies.

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.

SUMMER SCHOOL

Chief Academic Officer Dr. Alesia Flye reported that the MISD summer programs provide training and high quality materials and a frame for research based instructional practices. Districts see the impact when students have opportunities. This summer we saw 6,619 students in partnership with districts, consultant services, instructional technology and special education. Roughly 17 districts participated in the Kinder Connect and First Fundamentals camp that are geared towards children entering Kindergarten and first grade. These camps provide our youngest learners with hands on experience and exposure to a lot of books. The ISD summer camps also include Summer Scholars Literacy and Math, Math Mindset, Camp Invention, STEM literacy camp, girls STEM camp and Teacher Cadet.

The Girls STEM Camp is open to girls graduating 5th grade. Approximately 48 students attended this camp with the help of the robotics team. These camps have shown approximately 21% of students more interested in the robotics club.

This year the Teacher Cadet program had 165 high school students which is the largest group in four years and approximately 70% of those students are interested in becoming a teacher.

CONSENT AGENDA

2. Moved by Schulte, supported by White, to approve the November 11, 2024 Consent Agenda, as recommended by Administration. Ayes: all; nays: none. Motion carried.

RETIREMENTS

3. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following retirements: Jerome Cwiertak, Shift Operator; William Sheffield, Shift Operator

Moved by White, supported by Hubler, that the Board of Education accept, with regret, notification of retirements 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
FRASER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Moved by Farley, supported by Schulte, to approve appointment of Melissa Kiger, Fraser Public Schools, to the Parent Advisory Committee for the 2024-2025 school year, as recommended by Administration. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Motion carried.

PAC RECOMMENDATION

Moved by White, supported by Hubler, to approve the ANCHOR BAY SCHOOLS appointment of Matika Berry, Anchor Bay Schools, to the Parent Advisory Committee for the 2024-2025 school year, as recommended by Administration. Ayes: all; Nays: none. Motion carried.

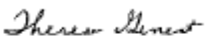
SPECIAL REPORTS AND
FUTURE BUSINESS

Superintendent DeVault reported that given conflicting schedules, the November 26, 2024, Board meeting time may be changed to 4:00 p.m.


ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.



Theresa Genest, President



Brian White, Secretary

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