MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MACOMB C.U.S.D. #185
AUGUST 21, 2017
7:00 P.M.

Board President Jill Myers called the meeting to order in the C.T. Vivian Library at Macomb Jr./Sr. High School. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll was taken with the following members present: Duncan, Torrance, Adams, Myers, Bierman, Thompson, and La Prad.

Students and teachers who traveled to Italy and Greece to study math gave an overview of their June 2017 trip. Teachers Beth Shyrock, David Benson, and Karen Morgan chaperoned the group as they visited sites in Italy and Greece illustrative of ancient mathematical principles and learned about Euclid, Pythagorus, Fibonacci, and other mathematicians.

Dr. Twomey shared the following information:
- Opening Day was successful and a positive start to the new school year.
- Update on Lincoln School addition: Bid opening will take place the week before the September 18 Board meeting.
- Middle School update: The USDA grant is finished and has been submitted.
- Tentative Budget: The tentative budget is almost balanced; the final budget should be balanced. Dr. Twomey reviewed the assumptions on which the tentative budget is based, and advised total revenues are currently projected to be $24,249,789 with projected expenditures of $26,126,283. In response to questions from the Board, Dr. Twomey advised the District does not have the EL numbers to qualify for funds from Title III, and the amount of revenue from the State was left flat as there is no way to anticipate what the legislature will decide about funding for schools this year.
- Update on Strategic Plan Presentations: The Administrative Team devoted time at their summer retreat to discussing options for keeping the Board abreast of progress toward the goals outlined in the Strategic Plan. Presentations will include a section on how things are currently being done in the District, followed by the Future Ready Team presenting how the District will continue to meet and exceed goals. The work of the Future Ready Team will cover all areas and there is a plan in place for making sure the plan is carried through the grades. In response to member La Prad’s question about whether the Future Ready Team is using data from a Board work session, Dr. Twomey explained the team is just beginning its work and is using the Strategic Plan as its initial point of reference. He advised the team’s discussion is focused on improving education for all students in the District, which reflects the substance of the Board’s work session discussion. Member La Prad stressed the importance of following the Board’s direction and including the Board’s work as part of the Future Ready Team’s planning.

President Myers removed item 8.1, Minutes from the July 17, 2017 regular meeting, from the Consent Calendar for separate consideration. Member Torrance moved, and member Duncan seconded, to approve the minutes as presented. Members voting “yes”: Duncan, Torrance, Adams, and Myers. Members voting “no”: none. Members Bierman, Thompson, and La Prad abstained. Motion carried.

Member Bierman moved, and member La Prad seconded, to approve as presented items 8.2-8.9 of the Consent Calendar, which included: Treasurer’s Report, Monthly Board Report, Bills and Payroll, Financial Update on Life Safety Projects (.05 levy), Financial Update on Life Safety Projects
(combined), Monthly Activity Account Reports, Monthly Food Service Report, and State Funding Update. Members voting “yes”: Duncan, Torrance, Adams, Bierman, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Bierman moved, and member Duncan seconded, to approve and hold indefinitely the minutes from the June 19, 2017 and the July 17, 2017 regular Board meetings. Members voting “yes”: Duncan, Torrance, Adams, Bierman, Myers, and Thompson. Members voting “no”: none. Member La Prad abstained. Motion carried.

Member Thompson moved, and member Bierman seconded, to approve personnel recommendations as follows:

**Certificated Staff:**

- **Resignation:**
  - Kristy Hobby, Special Education Teacher, Macomb Junior High School, effective August 1, 2017.
- **Employment:**
  - Jessica Lauver, Special Education Teacher, Macomb Senior High School, to be placed at Step 3, Bachelor Degree, on the salary schedule, effective August 15, 2017 (replaces TJ Taylor).
  - Susan Schnarr, Special Education Teacher, Macomb Junior High School, to be placed at Step 10, Master Degree, on the salary schedule, effective August 15, 2017 (replaces Kristy Hobby).
- **Request for Leave:**

**Educational Support Staff:**

- **Retirement:**
  - Connie Fisher, Secretary to the Principal, MacArthur Early Childhood Center, effective November 1, 2017.
- **Termination:**
  - Amy Douglas, Program Assistant, Macomb Junior High School, effective August 14, 2017.
- **Resignation:**
  - Audra Kerr, Program Assistant, MacArthur Early Childhood Center, effective July 24, 2017.
  - Scott Valenta, Program Assistant, Macomb Senior High School, effective May 26, 2017.
  - Chelsea Zachary, Program Assistant, Lincoln Elementary School, effective July 26, 2017.
- **Employment:**
  - Jodi Crabtree, Program Assistant, Edison Elementary School, up to 29 hours per week, effective August 17, 2017 (Severs).
Alexandria Forman, Program Assistant, Lincoln Elementary School, up to 29 hours per week, effective August 17, 2017 (Zachary).
Sydni Hare, Program Assistant, Edison Elementary School, up to 29 hours per week, effective August 17, 2017 (Egler).
Erin Leahy, Program Assistant, Lincoln Elementary School, up to 29 hours per week, effective August 17, 2017 (Hildenbrand).
Darian Miller, Program Assistant, Edison Elementary School, up to 29 hours per week, effective August 17, 2017 (new).
Sally Mohamed, Program Assistant, MacArthur Early Childhood Center, at the rate of $14.00 per hour, up to 29 hours per week, effective August 17, 2017 (Kerr).
Stephanie Puccini, Program Assistant, Edison Elementary School, up to 29 hours per week, effective August 17, 2017 (Douglas).
Martina Rodgers, Program Assistant, Edison Elementary School, up to 29 hours per week, effective August 17, 2017 (Dawson).

Co-Curricular Staff:
Resignation:
Nicole Brown, Volleyball Coach (JV), Macomb Senior High School, effective August 14, 2017.
Tanner Scott, Assistant Baseball Coach (Soph.), Macomb Senior High School, effective July 16, 2017.

Employment:
Brock Bainter, New Teacher Mentor, Macomb Junior High School, effective 2017-2018 school year (Schnarr).
Donny Case, Football Coach (Head - 8), Macomb Junior High School, Level 7, effective 2017-2018 season.
Nicole DeRenzy, New Teacher Mentor, Macomb Senior High School, effective 2017-2018 school year (Lauver).
Ethan Ivey, Swing Choir/Ensemble Sponsor, Macomb Junior High School, Level 6, effective 2017-2018 school year.
Brittany Kugler, Grade Level Team Leader (K), Lincoln Elementary School, Level 3, effective 2017-2018 school year.
Diana Kurasz, Specialty Teacher Leader, Lincoln Elementary School, Level 3, effective 2017-2018 school year.
Cindy Lovejoy, Grade Level Team Leader (1), Lincoln Elementary School, Level 3, effective 2017-2018 school year.
Andrew McGhgy, Football Coach (Head - 7), Macomb Junior High School, Level 7, effective 2017-2018 school year.
Donna Marlow, Special Education Team Leader, Lincoln Elementary School, Level 3, effective 2017-2018 school year.
Amy Morris, Grade Level Team Leader (2), Lincoln Elementary School, Level 3, effective 2017-2018 school year.
Tanner Scott, Football Coach (Assistant – 7), Macomb Junior High School, Level 7, effective 2017-2018 season.
Sandy Taylor, Grade Level Team Leader (3), Lincoln Elementary School, Level 3, effective 2017-2018 school year.

Members voting “yes”: Duncant, Torrance, Adams, Bierman, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad.
Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.
Member Torrance moved, and member Thompson seconded, to approve the purchase from the City of parcel 11-200-639-00, located at East Carroll Street and North Griffin Street, adjacent to the Lincoln Elementary School parking lot, in the amount of $2,150.00. Members voting “yes”: Duncan, Torrance, Adams, Bierman, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Thompson moved, and member Torrance seconded, to approve overnight stays in Peoria August 25, 2017 and in Hannibal September 1, 2017, for the MHS Boys’ Soccer Team. Members voting “yes”: Duncan, Torrance, Adams, Bierman, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Bierman moved, and member Thompson seconded, to accept the proposed tentative budget for fiscal year 2018. Members voting “yes”: Duncan, Torrance, Adams, Bierman, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member La Prad moved, and member Thompson seconded, to approve an emergency Fire & Life Safety amendment for repair of wiring to exit signs and emergency lights at the Macomb Jr./Sr. High School pool. Members voting “yes”: Duncan, Torrance, Adams, Bierman, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Duncan moved, and member Torrance seconded, to appoint Kelly Carpenter as Homeless Liaison for the 2017-18 school year. Members voting “yes”: Duncan, Torrance, Adams, Bierman, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

At 8:16, member Bierman moved, and member La Prad seconded, to hold a closed meeting for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), collective negotiating matters pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2), the purchase or lease of real property, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5), student discipline, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9), pending or imminent litigation, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) and review of closed meeting minutes and audio recordings, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21) and 2.06. Members voting “yes”: Duncan, Torrance, Adams, Bierman, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at 9:21 p.m. Member La Prad moved, and member Bierman seconded, to adjourn at 9:25 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

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President

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