Board President Jill Myers called the regular meeting to order following public hearings on proposed paving, drainage, and tennis court repairs. Roll was taken with the following members present: Duncan (telephonically), Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad.

The following individuals addressed the Board regarding concerns about Harlem Globe Trotters costumes worn to the Macomb Junior High Halloween dance: Mr. Jerel Jones, Dr. Essie Rutledge, Ms. Heather McMeekan, and Mr. Byron Oden-Shabazz. Mr. Jones, parent of a student in the group who wore the costumes, stated there was no intent to offend, only to represent and honor a group of successful men who are iconic to the community. He apologized for any unintended offense. Dr. Rutledge, Ms. McMeekan, and Mr. Oden-Shabazz spoke about the impact the costumes had on other students, the effects of cultural appropriation, and the importance of cultural sensitivity. Dr. Twomey thanked them for sharing their insights and invited participation in a deeper discussion on those matters.

The Board recognized Clara Barclay, Senior of the Month for the month of September.

Members Thompson and Myers gave a brief overview of the Macomb Area Chamber of Commerce Legislative Luncheon.

President Myers advised Board members and Dr. Twomey will attend the Joint Annual Conference in Chicago in November. Member Adams encouraged Board members to read through Resolution Committee Report.

Dr. Twomey shared the following information:

- Update on construction at Lincoln – the new gym floor has been poured and painted.
- Update on Edison plans – the architect is working on final drawings. The Finance and Facilities committees will meet to review.
- Update on Middle School – working with 3 architect firms for planning. We hope to have drawings to look at this winter.
- Safe Routes to School Grant – in partnership with the City to provide improved sidewalks to Macomb Jr./Sr. High and safer crossing on Grant Street.
- FOIA Requests
  - HBO RealSports: additional information on sports participation numbers and participation numbers for students who qualify for free and reduced lunch.
  - SmartProcure: quarterly request for vendor and purchase order information.
- School Resource Officer Compensation: the District shares with the City and the salary will increase this year.
- Classroom Spotlight: Future Ready Team – Marc Baxter, Sandy Taylor, Kate Hall, Jose Galvan, Molly Selders and Katie Hoge. This group researched and recommended the Marzano
• program and MAP testing with the goal of improving instruction, student performance, and engagement.
• Kate Killian Johnson – Edison student who raised $1200 to help pay overdue lunch accounts. Dr. Twomey recognized Kate and commended her for thinking of others and taking action to help fellow students. He challenged the community to raise $14,000 to help fund the Weekend Snack Sack program.

Ms. Kellee Sullivan, Edison School Principal, spoke to the Board about Goal 2, Strategy 2-3 of the District’s Strategic Plan. She gave an overview of professional development in the District, focusing on the Marzano and MAP testing initiatives. She explained how the Marzano training is continued beyond institute days through SIP day activities, and kept at the forefront through PLC’s, Read/Discuss/Share and team building activities, #Marzano Mondays, and availability of presentation materials on Sharepoint. Ms. Sullivan also provided an overview of the activities designed to keep staff honed in on MAP and its potential for improving outcomes.

Members Torrance and Duncan requested items 8.1-8.3 of the Consent Calendar, Minutes from the September 17, 2018 special Board meeting, minutes from the September 17, 2018 Public Hearing re: 2018-2019 District Budget, and Minutes from the September 17, 2018 regular Board of Education meeting, be considered separately.


Member Thompson moved, and member La Prad seconded, to approve item 8.1 of the Consent Calendar – Minutes from the September 17, 2018 special Board meeting. Members voting “yes”: Gray, Adams, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Members Duncan and Torrance abstained. Motion carried.

Member La Prad moved, and member Adams seconded, to approve item 8.2 of the Consent Calendar – Minutes from the September 17, 2018 Public Hearing re: 2018-2019 District Budget. Members voting “yes”: Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Member Duncan abstained. Motion carried.

Member Thompson moved, and member Adams seconded, to approve item 8.3 of the Consent Calendar – Minutes from the September 17, 2018 regular Board of Education meeting. Members voting “yes”: Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Member Duncan abstained. Motion carried.

Member Torrance moved, and member Gray seconded, to approve and hold indefinitely the minutes from the closed meeting held during the September 17, 2018 regular meeting. Members voting “yes”: Duncan, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.
Member La Prad moved, and member Torrance seconded, approve the following recommendations regarding personnel:

**Educational Support Staff:**

**Employment:**
Tammy Schweitzer, Program Assistant, Lincoln Elementary School, up to 29 hours per week, student attendance days only, effective October 2, 2018 (new/student need).

**Co-Curricular:**

**Employment:**
MaryBeth Stewart, Thespian Sponsor, Level 10, ½ stipend $600.00, Macomb Senior High School, effective 2018-2019 school year.

Members voting “yes”: Duncan, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Torrance moved, and member La Prad seconded, to amend the minutes of the August 20, 2018 regular meeting to show the common address of property purchased by the District as 1218 Maple Avenue, Macomb, IL 61455, instead of 1244 Maple Avenue. Members voting “yes”: Duncan, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Dr. Twomey reviewed the official audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. He noted a few adjustments made by the auditors. Additionally, he advised when the FY ’18 budget was drafted, the cost of issuance of the bonds was not accounted for. Other than those few adjustments, the audit was clean. Member Torrance moved, and member Adams seconded, to accept the official audit for fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 as presented. Members voting “yes”: Duncan, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Gray moved, and member Adams seconded, to approve overnight trips for the FFA during the 2018-2019 school year. Members voting “yes”: Duncan, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Thompson moved, and member Gray seconded, to adopt a resolution to undertake repair of the sidewalk at Lincoln Elementary School and approve Fire & Life Safety Amendment #23 in the amount of $11,000.00. Members voting “yes”: Duncan, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Duncan moved, and member Torrance seconded, to adopt a resolution to undertake repair of the storm drain at the mini gym entry at Macomb Jr./Sr. High School and approve Fire & Life Safety Amendment #38 in the amount of $11,400. Members voting “yes”: Duncan, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Duncan moved, and member Torrance seconded, to adopt a resolution to undertake repairs of the tennis court complex at Macomb Jr./Sr. High School and approve Fire & Life Safety Amendment #39 in the amount of $370,200. Members voting “yes”: Duncan, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

At 8:17 p.m., member Gray moved, and member Torrance 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), and pending or imminent litigation, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11). Members voting “yes”: Duncan, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at 9:47 p.m. Member Adams moved, and member La Prad seconded, to adjourn at 9:48 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

Corrections were included in motion to approve at 11/19/18 BOE meeting.

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Date

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Secretary