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: Kapale (via Teams), Gray Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson (via Teams), and La Prad.

The Board recognized Annie Selders for being selected Senior of the Month for the month of October.

Ms. Myers shared information about Board positions open for the April 2021 General Election. There will be four 4-year terms and one 2-year unexpired term available. Member Gray advised he participated in the IASB Western Division virtual combined meeting. The presentation topic was “How Education Perseveres in a Pandemic”.

Dr. Twomey shared the following information:

- Construction Update: There is a meeting scheduled October 21 with the architects to discuss the details of the proposed middle school building. The bid notice for the project should be released soon. It appears one school may have received Fast Track grant funds. The District is looking into the process used to award the grants and whether grants were awarded according to the published guidelines. Member Gray asked if use of solar arrays would be possible for the middle school project.
- District update: Discussions regarding second semester are ongoing. Administrators and the Leadership Team are developing a model for how to incorporate students who have been strictly remote instruction if they want to switch to hybrid attendance at semester. There could be considerable space issues if many choose to make the switch.
- FOIA Request: The ADAC requested special education program data.
- MJSHS Pool – the District will need to purchase a new heating/cooling/dehumidification unit at a cost of $350,000 - $400,000. The purchase could possibly be paid for with Health and Life Safety funds.
- Presentation to the Illinois State Board of Education – Dr. Twomey will make a presentation about the District to the ISBE board during its October 21 meeting. This is in lieu of ISBE holding its Board meeting in Macomb.
- Macomb Educational Foundation awarded Amy Morris, 2nd grade teacher at Lincoln, a grant in the amount of $1076.89.
- Board members Steve Gray, Larry Adams, Jill Myers, and Scott Torrance received awards from the Illinois Association of School Boards for reaching Master Boards Member level.

Member Gray moved, and member Kapale seconded, to approve the Consent Calendar, which included: Minutes from the September 21, 2020 public hearing on the 2020-2021 Budget, Minutes from the September 21, 2020 regular Board meeting, Treasurer’s Report, Investment Report, Monthly Board Report, Bills and Payroll, Financial Update on Life Safety Projects (.05 levy), Monthly Activity Account Reports, State Funding Update, and WCISEC Personnel and Financials. Members voting
“yes”: Kapale, Gray Adams, Torrance, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Torrance moved, and member Adams seconded, to approve and hold indefinitely the minutes from the closed meeting held during the September 21, 2020 regular meeting. Members voting “yes”: Kapale, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”; none. Motion carried.

Member Adams moved, and member La Prad seconded, to approve recommendations regarding personnel, as follows:

Certificated Staff:

- Request for Leave:
  - Shawnee Huston, School Counselor, Macomb Senior High School, request leave to begin end of February 2021, and extend for 12 weeks.
  - Erin Wiley, Kindergarten Teacher, Lincoln Elementary School, request leave to begin December 7, 2020, with a return date of March 1, 2021.

Change in Assignment:

- Thomas Johnson, was Science Teacher, Macomb High School, school year 2019-2020, now Math and Science Teacher, Macomb Senior High School, effective August 17, 2020.
- Dawn Torrance, was Grade 2 Teacher, Lincoln Elementary School, school year 2019-2020, now Physical Education Teacher, Lincoln Elementary School, effective August 17, 2020.

Educational Support Staff:

- Retirement:
  - Patti Sheahan, Program Assistant, Macomb Junior Senior High School, effective September 30, 2020.

Change in Assignment:

- Sonya Doering, was Secretary to the Principal, Edison Elementary School, 10 months per year, now Program Assistant, Edison Elementary School, up to 29 hours per week, student attendance days only, effective September 28, 2020 (Tibbitts).
- Breeanne Mills, was Office Secretary, Edison Elementary School, 10 months per year, now Secretary to the Principal, Edison Elementary School, 10 months per year, effective September 28, 2020 (Doering).
- Alex Roberts, was Grounds/Maintenance Helper, Macomb School District, 12 months per year, now District Maintenance, Macomb School District, 12 months per year, effective November 2, 2020 (Simpson).
- Sarah Tibbitts, was Program Assistant, Edison Elementary School, up to 29 hours per week, student attendance days only, now Office Secretary, Edison Elementary School, 10 months per year, effective September 28, 2020 (Mills).

Employment:

- Heather Jones, Program Assistant, Macomb Junior High School, up to 29 hours per week, student attendance days only, effective October 8, 2020 (Dildine).

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

Dr. Twomey presented the official annual audit for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020. He noted that even with a large budget and many vendors, the audit goes well every year. This year was no exception,
with no major findings. Dr. Twomey noted Dianne Hudgens, District Budget Coordinator, does a great job making sure controls and procedures are in place and followed at all levels throughout the District. Member Adams moved, and member Gray seconded, to accept the official audit for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020. Members voting “yes”: Kapale, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Myers noted the Board Policy Committee met earlier in the day to review proposed changes to policies, administrative procedures, and exhibits. New policies related to Title IX, and changes to grievance procedure policies and safety and bullying policies made up a large portion of the materials. First reading will be held at the November 16 Board meeting.

Member Gray noted the District Insurance Committee would meet Tuesday, October 27.

At 7:40 p.m., member La Prad moved, and member Kapale 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”: Kapale, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at 8:43 p.m. Member Adams moved, and member Myers seconded, to adjourn at 8:44 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

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Secretary