

**MIAMI EAST LOCAL SCHOOLS  
BOARD BITS**

Review of February 22, 2022  
Regular Board Meeting

Mark Iames, board president, called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., held in room 116 in the Lecture Hall at Miami East High School. The country was honored by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call was taken with board members John Demmitt, Amanda Howell, Mark Iames, Mark Lawson and Pam Rice in attendance.

Also in attendance were: Alex Hix, staff member; Brian Rohrer, elementary principal; Erin O’Neil, parent; Susan Slone, staff member; Alicia Barlow, parent; Lindsay Taylor, parent, Jennifer Knisely, parent; Katie Brasher, parent; Dale Harshman, parent; Tammy Harshman, parent; Janet Stevens, staff member; and Jackie Winner, staff member.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** There were no public comments.

**GOOD NEWS RECOGNITION/INORMATION REPORT:**

The Miami East School District has been blessed to have an active Facilities Team on our campus. While many districts are excited to make upgrades in a twelve-month period, Miami East has done the following in just the past eight months! Since June 1<sup>st</sup> the Miami East School District has made the following additions and improvements across the campus.

Visitor Band Bleachers installed at the stadium	Board of Education Roof Maintenance
Blue Crew Bleachers installed	200 new chrome books added (Fall 2021)
LED Lights replaced in all three schools	Significant Land Lab Improvements
4 additional elementary classrooms	Security Camera upgrades in all buildings
Preschool playground	New School Bus
180 new Chrome Books added (Summer 2021)	WIFI upgraded in all three buildings

**TREASURER’S REPORT:**

A. Treasurer’s Report to the Board/Consent Agenda Items – Lisa Fahncke

Mark Lawson moved and Amanda Howell seconded motion to approve the following:

1. The minutes of the re-organizational/budget/business board meeting of January 10, 2022 and the special board meetings of February 7 and February 9, 2022, as presented.
2. Recommend approval of the financial statements for January, 2022.
3. Treasurer’s then and now 412 certifications, as presented
4. Account modifications, as presented

5. Estimated Resources/Appropriations modifications:

Increase appropriations- Café fund 006 by \$75,000  
Increase appropriations- Class of 2023 fund 200 (9323) by \$2,370  
Increase estimated resources- Class of 2023 fund 200 (9323) by \$2,370  
Increase appropriations- Class of 2024 fund 200 (9324) by \$1,400

**Motion Passed**

B. Treasurer's Report to the Board/Regular Agenda Items

1. Pam Rice moved and John Demmitt seconded motion to approve grants/donations as follows:

From Ernst Concrete to the Land Lab \$1,570  
From FCCLA Ohio Facts Initiative to Miami East FCCLA Program \$1,000  
From a donor in memory of Mark Bell to the Miami East Boys BB program \$100  
From the Athletic Boosters to the HS baseball program to pay for ½ the uniform cost \$2,523

**Motion Passed**

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. EMPLOYMENT ITEMS:**

1. Pam Rice moved and Amanda Howell seconded the motion to approve the acceptance of Wade Meyer's letter of retirement. His last day will be June 3, 2022 after serving as the high school librarian for the past 48 years.

**Motion Passed**

2. Mark Lawson moved and John Demmitt seconded the motion to approve unpaid leave of absence(s) for the following employee(s):

Heather Gilliland – January 14, 2022 (1 Day)  
Cassandra Johnson – January 18-January 21, 2022 (4 Days)  
Sharon Martin – January 10- January 11, 2022 (2 Days)  
Sandy Swigart – February 15-17, 2022 (3 Days)  
Susan Blocher – March 17, 18, 21, 22 2022 (4 Days)

**Motion Passed**

3. Pam Rice moved and Mark Lawson seconded the approval of substitute teachers who have been approved by the Miami County Educational Service Center and are on file in the central office. These are all on an as needed basis for the 2021-2022 school year. The board-approved rate of pay has been set at \$105.00 per day through 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive day and \$110.00 per day from 11<sup>th</sup> day through 60 days in the same position, then placed on beginning salary schedule.

**Motion Passed**

4. Amanda Howell moved and Pam Rice seconded the motion to approve an additional classified substitute for the 2021-2022 school year as follows:

Rori Hunley – Educational Aide (effective February 14, 2022)

**Motion Passed**

5. John Demmitt moved and Pam Rice seconded the motion to approve the following adjustments for the following certified teaching contracts, after receiving original transcripts and/or verification of previous employment for the following employees, effective for the 2021-2022 school year:

a) Jennifer McCuiston –MS +15 to MS +30

**Motion Passed**

6. Mark Lawson moved and Amanda Howell seconded the motion to approve the following supplemental contracts for the 2021-2022 school year:

HIGH SCHOOL

Girls' Head Varsity Track Coach – Preston Elifritz – Step 6  
Boys' Head Track Coach – Steve Karnehm – Step 6  
Assistant Track Coach – Levi Karnehm – Step 6  
Head Girls' Softball Coach – Brian Kadel – Step 6  
Junior Varsity Girls' Softball Coach – Miranda Huddle – Step 2  
Volunteer Softball Coach- Kevin Accurso  
Head Boys' Baseball Coach – Dean Denlinger – Step 6  
Assistant Boys' Baseball Coach – Dustin Heilman- Step 3  
Volunteer Baseball Coach – Scott Hawkins  
Volunteer Baseball Coach- Jacob Peters

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Head Boys Track Coach – Zach Tyre – Step 6  
Head Girls Track Coach – Brittany Shively – Step 1  
Assistant Track Coach- Kristi Karnehm- Step 1

**Motion Passed**

7. Pam Rice moved and John Demmitt seconded the motion to approve Kimberlee Wagner's request for FMLA leave beginning February 14, 2022 through March 8, 2022.

**Motion Passed**

8. Mark Lawson moved and Amanda Howell seconded the motion to approve to recommend the approval of an unpaid leave of absence for military duty as a bus driver for Miami East.

Jennifer Godsey– March 9, 2022- November 21, 2022

**Motion Passed**

9. John Demmitt moved and Mark Lawson seconded the motion to approve Alexander Hix, as the district treasurer, on a three year limited contract, for the 2022-25 school years, effective April 1, 2022.

**Motion Passed**

10. Pam Rice moved and Amanda Howell seconded the motion to approve up to (5) days to be paid at the board approved daily rate of pay to Alexander Hix for the purpose of transitioning into the office of the treasurer.

**Motion Passed**

**B. OHSAA MEMBERSHIP FOR 2022-2023:**

Pam Rice moved and Amanda Howell seconded the motion of approval of membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association for grades 7-12 for the 2022-2023 school year.

**Motion Passed**

**C. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE MIAMI COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND MIAMI EAST LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT WITH REGARD TO THE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER**

John Demmitt moved and Mark Lawson seconded the approval of the School Resource Officer Contract with the Miami County Sheriff's Department for the 2022-2023, 2023-2024 & 2024-2025 School Years.

**Motion Passed**

**OTHER INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

Kindergarten 2022-2023

Your child is eligible to begin Kindergarten at Miami East Elementary in the 2022-2023 school year if your child will be five years old on or before August 1, 2022 and meets the residency requirements.

Miami East Local School District plans to continue to offer our all-day Kindergarten program next year. Screenings will be held April 28 and April 29. Additional information will be sent out soon.

**BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS:**

- General Discussion(s)

**ADJOURNMENT:** The Board adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING**

**MIAMI EAST HIGH SCHOOL**

**March 21, 2022**

**7:00 P.M.**