## MIAMI EAST LOCAL SCHOOLS BOARD BITS

Review of July 10, 2017 Regular Board Meeting

Brandon Fellers, 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 Kevin Accurso, Mark Davis, John Demmitt, Brandon Fellers, and Mark Iiames in attendance. Also in attendance were: Lauren McCord, staff member; and Melanie Yingst, Troy Daily News.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments heard.

## **GOOD NEWS RECOGNITION**

Summer inspections are occurring across the campus in anticipation of the students and staff arriving in August. During the month of July items such as the bleachers, boilers, and buildings are inspected.

Annual inspections and safety programs are a definite plan of action designed to prevent accidents. Although the District has reduced its Permanent Improvement Levy over the past few years, it continues to maximize this levy to complete preventive maintenance across the campus.

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

A. Treasurer's Report to the Board/Consent Agenda Items – Lisa Fahncke Kevin Accurso moved and Mark Davis seconded motion to approve the following:

- 1. Recommend approval of the minutes of the June 19, 2017 regular board meeting, as presented by the treasurer.
- 2. Recommend approval of the financial statements for June 2017 and the updated final 5 year forecast for fiscal year 2017.
- 3. Recommend approval of Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources, the Certificate of the Total Amount Available from all Sources, and the Temporary Appropriations for FY 2018.
- 4. The then and now Treasurer's 412 certification, as presented.
- 5. Account modifications, as presented.
- 6. Participation in and acceptance of federal, state, and local grant applications and receipt of funds for the 2017-2018 school year.
- 7. The final appropriations and estimated resources for 2016-2017, as presented

- B. Treasurer's Report to the Board/Regular Agenda Items
  - 1. John Demmitt moved and Mark Iiames seconded motion to approve cash donations as follows:
    - \$1,398.80 from the Miami County Park District to Miami East toward the 2016-2017 Elementary field trip transportation cost to Charleston Falls and Stillwater Prairie.
    - \$125.00 from the Altrusa Club for the Miami East FFA Program
    - \$238.00 from the Miami East Education Foundation to High School English program for the purchase of books
    - \$800.00 from the Miami East Education Foundation to the Elementary Muse Machine to support the Muse Machine program

#### **Motion Passed**

**OTHER** – Discussion on the 3.5 mill operating levy renewal. Mrs. Fahncke presented the Board with the Miami County auditor's Certificate of Estimated Property Tax Revenue certifying the current tax valuation of the Miami East Local School District subdivision and the amount of revenue that would be produced by three and fifty one hundredths (3.5) mill/mills to levy a tax outside the ten-mill limitation for current operating expenses. The levy type is a renewal.

2. <u>Kevin Accurso</u> moved and <u>Mark Iiames</u> seconded motion to approve the following resolution:

# RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO PROCEED TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Section 5705.21 of the Ohio Revised Code, this board has determined the necessity to levy a renewal tax in excess of such ten-mill limitation for the purpose of current operating expenses at a rate not exceeding three and one-half (3.50) mills for each one dollar (\$1.00) of valuation for a continuing period of time. Said tax is proposed to renew an existing three and one-half (3.50) mill levy, authorized by a majority of the electors of the school district voting on said proposition at an election held on November 6, 2012.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Miami East Local School District (herein the "School District"), Counties of Miami and Champaign, Ohio, two-thirds of all the members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1. That the board of education hereby determines to proceed with the levy and the question of the adoption of said renewal tax shall be submitted to the electors of the School District at the election to be held on November 7, 2017, and if said renewal tax is approved by a majority of said electors such renewal tax levy shall first be placed upon the 2018 tax list and duplicate, for first collection in calendar year 2019.

SECTION 2. That the form of the ballot to be used at said election shall be substantially as follows:

PROPOSED TAX LEVY (RENEWAL)

MIAMI EAST LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage

A renewal of a tax for the benefit of the Miami East Local School District FOR THE PURPOSE OF CURRENT OPERATING EXPENSES, at a rate not exceeding three and one-half (3.50) mills for each one dollar (\$1.00) of valuation, which amounts to thirty-five cents (\$0.35) for each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation, for a continuing period of time, commencing in 2018, first due in calendar year 2019.

# FOR THE TAX LEVY AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

SECTION 3. That the treasurer of this board of education be and is hereby directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the board of elections, not later than four o'clock (4:00) p.m. ninety (90) days before the date of said election and to notify said board of elections to cause notice of the election on the question of levying said tax to be given as required by law.

SECTION 4. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this board of education concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this board of education; and that all deliberations of this board of education and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

#### **Motion Passed**

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

# A. <u>EMPLOYMENT ITEMS</u>:

1. <u>Mark Davis</u> moved and <u>John Demmitt</u> seconded the motion to approve the acceptance of Josh Roeth's letter of resignation, effective as June 21, 2017 as a fourth grade teacher at Miami East Elementary.

#### **Motion Passed**

2. <u>Mark Iiames</u> moved and <u>Kevin Accurso</u> seconded the motion to approve the hiring Lauren McCord as a fourth grade teacher at Miami East Elementary, on a one-year limited contract, for the 2017-2018 school year, step 5, with a Master's Degree, effective August 1, 2017, pending transcripts and background checks.

## **Motion Passed**

3. <u>John Demmitt</u> moved and <u>Kevin Accurso</u> seconded the motion to approve hiring Laura Weddle as a teacher, at the elementary, on a one-year limited contract, Master's Degree, step 4, for the 2017-2018 school year, having verified transcripts.

# **Motion Passed**

- 4. <u>Mark Iiames</u> moved and <u>Mark Davis</u> seconded the motion to approve extended service days for the 2017-2018 school year for the following certified staff:
  - a) Danielle Dillon K-8 Counselor 10 days
  - b) Matt Rutledge High School Counselor 10 days
  - c) Erin McGaharan K-9 Counselor 10 days
  - d) Wade Meyers AV/Library 6 days

5. <u>Kevin Accurso</u> moved and <u>John Demmitt</u> seconded the motion to approve the following supplemental contract, effective for the 2017-2018 school year:

## HIGH SCHOOL

High School Head Varsity Softball Coach – Brian Kadel – Step 6

#### **Motion Passed**

## B. <u>2017-2018 HANDBOOKS</u>:

Mark Davis moved and Mark Iiames seconded the motion to approve the 2017-2018 handbooks for Miami East High School, Miami East Jr.High, Miami East Elementary, District-Wide Staff Handbook, and Bus Driver Handbook as presented at the June meeting.

**Motion Passed** 

## C. 2017-2018 CLASS FEES:

<u>Kevin Accurso</u> moved and <u>John Demmitt</u> seconded the motion to approve the 2017-2018 class fees, as recommended by the principals for Miami East High School, Miami East Jr. High, and Miami East Elementary.

#### **Motion Passed**

## D. PURCHASING AGENT:

<u>Mark Iiames</u> moved and <u>Kevin Accurso</u> seconded the motion to approve Dr. Todd Rappold as purchasing agent for Miami East Local Schools effective August 1, 2017.

## **Motion Passed**

# E. 2017-2018 BOARD OF EDUCATION LEGAL REPRESENTATION:

<u>Mark Davis</u> moved and <u>Mark Iiames</u> seconded the motion to approve John Podgurski, as the Miami East Local Board of Education's legal representative, for the 2017-2018 school year, on an as needed basis.

#### **Motion Passed**

# F. 2017-2018 CHEMICAL HYGIENE AND SHOP SAFETY PLAN(S):

<u>John Demmitt</u> moved and <u>Kevin Accurso</u> seconded the motion to approve the 2017-2018 Chemical Hygiene and Shop Safety Plans as presented at the June meeting.

**Motion Passed** 

## G. BAND EQUIPMENT TRAILER AGREEMENT:

<u>Kevin Accurso</u> moved and <u>John Demmitt</u> seconded the motion to approve the band trailer agreement that is recommended to be reviewed annually.

## H. ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY (AUP):

<u>Mark Iiames</u> moved and <u>Kevin Accurso</u> seconded the motion to approve the 2017-2018 District-Wide Electronic Tele-communication Services Agreement & Acceptable Use Policy (AUP).

**Motion Passed** 

# I. <u>2018 EPC BUS BID</u>:

Kevin Accurso moved and John Demmitt seconded

motion to participate in the 2018 Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council bus bid process. The District is under no obligation to accept the bid if it so choses.

Whereas the Miami East Local School Board of Education wishes to advertise and receive bids for the purchase of one school bus.

Therefore, be it resolved the Miami East Local School Board of Education wishes to participate and authorize the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council to advertise and receive bids on said Boards' behalf as per the specifications submitted for the cooperative purchase of one school bus.

## **Motion Passed**

# J. <u>ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS TEXTBOOK ADOPTION AND PURCHASE:</u>

<u>Mark Iiames</u> moved and <u>Mark Davis</u> seconded the motion to approve the adoption and purchase of the following textbooks, as recommended by the English/Language Arts Curriculum Committee:

Kindergarten	Pearson (2017)
First Grade	Pearson (2017)
Second Grade	Pearson (2017)
Third Grade	Pearson (2017)
Fourth Grade	Pearson (2017)
Fifth Grade	Pearson (2017)

Sixth Grade Sadlier (2017)

Seventh Grade Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (2017) Eighth Grade Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (2017)

High School – English 9
High School – English 10
High School – English 11
High School – English 11
High School – English 12
Pearson (2017)
Pearson (2017)

## OTHER INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- We are excited to be offering two new elective courses at the Junior High this coming school year. Seventh graders will enroll in Career Connections. This semester course will assist & encourage students to explore various career fields. Additionally, students will review the academic pathways a student might need to pursue one of these many Career Fields.

For the upcoming school year, eighth graders will enroll in a pre-engineering class for 12 weeks. The Junior High will offer this class to students in the increasingly important STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) area. Students will participate in a project-based learning process, designed to challenge and engage their natural curiosity and imagination.

# **BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS:**

General Discussion(s)

**ADJOURNMENT:** The Board adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING** 

MIAMI EAST HIGH SCHOOL (ROOM 116)
August 21, 2017
7:00 P.M.