

**MIAMI EAST LOCAL SCHOOLS  
BOARD BITS**

Review of July 15, 2013  
Regular Board Meeting

Kevin Accurso, 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, Brad Burton, Gayle Carson, Mark Davis, and Rusty Miller in attendance.

Also in attendance were: Barb Minnich, staff member and Tom Dunn, ESC Superintendent.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments heard.

**GOOD NEWS RECOGNITION/REPORTS TO THE BOARD:**

Tom Dunn, ESC Superintendent, reported to the Board of Education the results of the 2012-2013 Miami East Board of Education self-appraisal. Mr. Dunn volunteered to compile the results of the Miami East Board of Education's self-appraisal, a process the Board has completed over the past ten years on an annual basis.

Mr. Dunn reported on the results of the self-evaluation which covers items such as Board Meeting effectiveness, community relations, and planning. Mr. Dunn reported that the Board scored "Excellent" to "Good" in all areas and recognized the Board for its continued use of the evaluation to evaluate itself. In addition Board members recognized Mr. Accurso for his level of commitment and dedication he demonstrates as the Miami East Board President. Mr. Dunn recognized and congratulated the Board of Education for its continued effectiveness to the students, staff, and District.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

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

Mark Davis moved and Gayle Carson seconded motion to approve the following:

1. Recommend approval of the minutes of the June 17, 2013 regular board meeting, as presented by the treasurer.
2. Recommend approval of the financial statements for June 2013.
3. Recommend approval of Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources for FY 2014.
4. Recommend approval of corrected salary schedules for the central office clerk-cashier-emis coordinator and the superintendent's secretary positions, 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 2013-2014 school year.
7. Recommend approval to participate in the Workers' Compensation Group Plan and the Group Retrospective Rating Program, as well as Unemployment Compensation Consulting Services for 2014, through the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Cooperative, with Hunter Consulting Company.

**Motion Passed**

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

1. Rusty Miller moved and Brad Burton seconded motion to approve cash donations as follows:
  - \$968.87 from the Miami County Park District for an Environmental Education grant award to K-5 grades for transportation costs for field trips.
  - \$500.00 from Farm Credit Mid-America for FFA for grain tubes

**Motion Passed**

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

**A. EMPLOYMENT ITEMS CONT.:**

1. Gayle Carson moved and Rusty Miller seconded motion to approve the acceptance of Doug Zimmer's letter of resignation, as assistant football coach, effective July 1, 2013.

**Motion Passed**

2. Brad Burton moved and Mark Davis seconded motion to approve Aaron Gibbons as assistant football coach, step 4, effective July 1, 2013.

**Motion Passed**

3. Rusty Miller moved and Gayle Carson seconded motion to approve Brittany Scarpella's request for maternity leave to coincide with FMLA beginning September 23, 2013 through December 1, 2013.

**Motion Passed**

4. Mark Davis moved and Brad Burton seconded motion to approve John Cooper at an additional 12 hours per week, effective July 1, 2013.

**Motion Passed**

5. Gayle Carson moved and Rusty Miller seconded motion to approve extended service days for the 2013-2014 school year for the following certified staff:

- a) Matthew Rutledge – High School Counselor – 10 days
- b) Danielle Dillon – High School/Elementary Counselor – 10 days
- c) Sandra Finkes – Jr. High Counselor – 5 days
- d) Wade Meyers – AV/Library – 6 days

**Motion Passed**

**B. PURCHASING AGENT:**

Mark Davis moved and Gayle Carson seconded motion to approve Todd Rappold as purchasing agent for Miami East Local Schools effective August 1, 2013.

**Motion Passed**

**C. 2013-2014 HANDBOOKS:**

Gayle Carson moved and Brad Burton seconded motion to approve the 2013-2014 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**

**D. 2013-2014 CLASS FEES:**

Rusty Miller moved and Mark Davis seconded motion to approve the 2013-2014 class fees, as recommended by the principals for Miami East High School, Miami East Jr. High, and Miami East Elementary.

**Motion Passed**

**E. 2013-2014 BOARD OF EDUCATION LEGAL REPRESENTATION:**

Gayle Carson moved and Mark Davis seconded motion to approve John Podgurski, as the Miami East Local Board of Education's legal representative, for the 2013-2014 school year, on an as needed basis.

**Motion Passed**

**F. 2013-2014 CHEMICAL HYGIENE AND SHOP SAFETY PLAN(S):**

Mark Davis moved and Rusty Miller seconded motion to approve the 2013-2014 Chemical Hygiene and Shop Safety Plans as presented at the June meeting.

**Motion Passed**

**G. BAND EQUIPMENT TRAILER AGREEMENT:**

Gayle Carson moved and Mark Davis seconded motion to approve the band trailer agreement that is recommended to be reviewed annually.

**Motion Passed**

**H. ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY (AUP):**

Gayle Carson moved and Rusty Miller seconded motion to approve the 2013-2014 District-Wide Electronic Tele-communication Services Agreement & Acceptable Use Policy (AUP).

**Motion Passed**

**I. 2014 EPC BUS BID:**

Brad Burton moved and Gayle Carson seconded motion to participate in the 2014 Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council bus bid process. The District is under no obligation to accept the bid if it so chooses.

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. APPROVAL OF EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR DAYS FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS:**

Gayle Carson moved and Mark Davis seconded motion for approval for extended school year days for the following special education students.

**Motion Passed**

**K. 3311.24 TRANSFER OF CITY, EXEMPTED VILLAGE OR LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TERRITORY TO ADJOINING DISTRICT:**

Mark Davis moved and Rusty Miller seconded motion to approve the Miami East Local School District Board of Education accepts the transfer by approving a resolution by a majority vote of the full membership regarding the acceptance of the Hodge property being transferred to the Miami East Local School District.

3311.24 Transfer of city, exempted village or local school district territory to adjoining district: (a) A resolution accepting the transfer has been passed by a majority vote of the full membership of the board of education of the city, exempted village, or local school district to which the territory is transferred.

**Motion Passed**

**OTHER INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- 2012-2013 Professional Development activities
- June through July Race to the Top (RttT) bi-monthly District Progress Report.

**BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS:**

- General Discussion(s). The Board discussed the recent state budget, changes in OTES, and the recommended changes in calamity days for the 2014-2015 school year.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The Board adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

**MIAMI EAST HIGH SCHOOL (ROOM 116)**

***August 19, 2013***

***7:00 P.M.***