

**MIAMI EAST LOCAL SCHOOLS
BOARD BITS**

Review of March 21, 2016
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 Iames in attendance.

Also in attendance were: Heidi Perry, staff member; Jenna Dailey, staff member; Allen Mack, junior high principal; Brian Rohrer, elementary principal; Andrew (AJ) Christian, student; Vanessa Christian, parent; Kathleen Clark, Principal of Public Finance for Fifth Third Securities; and Melanie Yingst, Troy Daily News.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments heard.

GOOD NEWS RECOGNITION/INORMATION REPORT:

2016 Scripps National Spelling Bee Qualifier!!

Congratulations to AJ Christian for winning the Dayton Area Spelling Bee! The spelling bee was held at the Sinclair Conference Center on Wednesday, February 24, and featured the top 12 spellers in the Dayton area, as determined by a test given to the Spelling Bee Champion of each area school.

AJ successfully out-spelled the other contenders to capture the regional championship. Winning this bee qualifies him to represent the Dayton area at the 2016 Scripps National Spelling Bee, held May 22-27 in Washington, DC. We are extremely proud of AJ's accomplishments so far, and we wish him the best of luck as he prepares for this exciting opportunity!

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. The minutes of the regular board meetings of February 16, 2016, as presented.
2. Recommend approval of the financial statements for February, 2016, as presented.
3. Recommend approval of the Amended Tax Rates and Amounts for tax year 2016 (to be collected in 2017), as previously approved by the Miami County Budget Commission.
4. Recommend approval of the audited financial statements of the Miami East Local School District for fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, as presented.
5. The then and now Treasurer's 412 certification, as presented

6. Account modifications, as presented

7. Estimated Resources/Appropriations modifications:

Increase appropriations- Home Economics Club Student Activity fund 200-92235 by \$350
Increase estimated resources- Home Economics Student Activity fund 200-9225 by \$400
Increase appropriations- Art Club Student Activity fund 200-9232 by \$5,000
Increase appropriations-Athletics fund 300 by \$50,000
Increase estimated resources- Athletics fund 300 by \$30,000
Increase appropriations- Food Service fund 006 by \$11,000
Increase estimated resources- tournament fund 022 by \$1,077
Increase appropriations- Classroom Facilities Maintenance fund 034 by \$15,000
Increase appropriations- Class of 2017 fund 200-9317 by \$5,000
Increase estimated resources- Class of 2017 fund 200-9317 by \$5,000

Motion Approved

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

1. Mark Iames moved and Kevin Accurso seconded motion to approve cash donations as follows:

- \$100.00 from Schirby's Party for the FFA program
- \$170.00 from an anonymous donor for the High School Wrestling program
- \$670.44 from the Miami East Education Foundation for the High School Music Program for a guitar grant
- \$2,500.00 from the Athletic Boosters for the High School Athletic Program toward a John Deere Gator

Motion Approved

2. John Demmitt moved and Mark Davis seconded the motion to approve the following resolution:

Board Resolution Approving Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release of Claims (as presented) with Reiter Dairy, LLC and Authorizing Board Representative to Execute Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release of Claims

The **Miami East Local Schools** Board of Education is a member of the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council ("EPC"). Pursuant to that membership, the Board purchased dairy products from Reiter Dairy, LLC, in accordance with certain Purchase and Sales Contracts negotiated with Reiter Dairy by the EPC. Disputes arose between Reiter Dairy, the EPC, and EPC members who purchased dairy products from Reiter Dairy. The Board hereby resolves to compromise and settle its dispute with Reiter Dairy, releasing all claims against Reiter Dairy in exchange for payment of **\$4,188.08**. This sum – less a 3% administrative/legal fee retained by the EPC -- will be paid to the Board consistent with the terms of the Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release of Claims ("Agreement"), which is appended to this resolution. The Board further resolves that its authorized representative, Lisa Fahncke, is instructed to execute the Agreement.

Motion Approved

3. Kevin Accurso moved and Mark Iames seconded motion to delegate Lisa Fahncke to receive public records training as representative for the current Miami East Board of Education.

Motion Approved

TREASURER DISCUSSION ITEM:

Debt refunding presentation/discussion presented by Kathleen Clark, Principal of Public Finance for Fifth Third Securities. Mrs. Clark discussed the procedures and steps necessary to adhere to in refinancing outstanding bonds. Additionally, she described the procedures in acquiring additional information for the Board of Education as they reviewed this process to determine if the interest rates and net savings were advantageous for the District to refund bonds at this time.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

NEW BUSINESS

A. EMPLOYMENT ITEMS:

1. John Demmitt moved and Mark Davis seconded the motion to approve hiring Karen Pemberton as a bus aide, Step 0, for the 2015-2016 school year, effective February 29, 2016.

Motion Approved

2. Kevin Accurso moved and Mark Iames seconded the motion to approve the following supplemental contract for the 2015-2016 school year:

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Assistant Junior High Track Coach – Heidi Perry – Step 0

Motion Approved

3. John Demmitt moved and Kevin Accurso seconded the recommendation of the non-renewal of all fall and winter supplemental contracts for personnel outside the teaching staff of Miami East, effective at the close of the 2015-2016 school year season as follows:

High School

Asst. Boys Soccer – Brent Remy
Boys Freshman Basketball – Tom Meyer
Girls Reserve Basketball – Kevin Gump
Girls Head Soccer – Emalie Carson
High School Asst. Football-Todd Hawkins
Swim Coach – Carol Bollinger
Asst. Wrestling – Rich Randall
Boys Golf – Terry Henley
Head Volleyball Coach – Brian Bensman
Girls Asst. Basketball Coach – Gary Thompson
Asst. Cheerleading Advisor – Dawna Hellyer
Flag Corps – Lisa Ritchea

Jr. High

Head 7th Football Coach – Frank Hall
Head Wrestling – Jason Sroufe
8th Boys Basketball Coach – Scott Shirk
7th Boys Basketball Coach – Blake Heim
Cheerleader Advisor – Jessica Kinard
7th Grade Volleyball – Hannah Mengos

Motion Approved

4. Mark Davis moved and Mark Iames seconded the motion to approve additional classified substitute(s) for the 2015-2016 school year as follows:

Jennifer Johnson – Custodian, Aide, and Cook (effective March 1, 2016)
Sandra Welker – Bus Driver (effective March 1, 2016)
Amanda Paulus – Bus Driver (effective March 22, 2016)

Motion Approved

5. Kevin Accurso moved and John Demmitt seconded motion to approve unpaid leave of absences for the following employee(s):

June Lewis – April 1, 2016 (1 total day)
Christine Perry – March 30, 2016 (1 total day)
Loretta Yantis – May 2,3, and 4, 2016 (3 total days)

Motion Approved

6. John Demmitt moved and Mark Davis seconded the motion to approve Tami Mumford's request for FMLA Leave beginning May 23, 2016.

Motion Approved

7. Kevin Accurso moved and Mark Iames 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 2015-2016 school year. The board-approved rate of pay has been set at \$80.00 per day through 10th consecutive day and \$85.00 per day from 11th day through 60 days in the same position, then placed on beginning salary schedule

Motion Approved

8. Mark Iames moved and John Demmitt seconded the transfer of the remaining balance of \$358.25 from the student activity Class of 2014 fund and \$807.89 from the student activity Class of 2015 fund to the general fund, per the superintendent's recommendation.

Motion Approved

9. Kevin Accurso moved and Mark Davis seconded the transfer of \$1,166.14 from the general fund to the high school principal's fund.

Motion Approved

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT CONT.:
NEW BUSINESS CONT.:

A. APPROVAL OF INTERDISTRICT OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR 2016-2017:

John Demmitt moved and Kevin Accurso seconded the motion for approval of the Interdistrict Open Enrollment for the 2016-2017 school year, for students who reside in school districts that border the Miami East Local School District. Applications will be available the months of April and May only.

Motion Approved

B. EXTRA-CURRICULAR TRANSPORTATION FEE POLICY:

Mark Davis moved and Mark Iames seconded the motion to approve the 2016-2017 Extra-Curricular Transportation Fee Policy.

Motion Approved

C. APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY CHANGES PER NEOLA:

Kevin Accurso moved and John Demmitt seconded the motion to approve Board Policies changes as presented for review. These changes include updates to items such as policies related to Immunizations, Attendance, Grant Funds, Internal Controls, Time and Effort Reporting, and Procurement Policies.

Motion Approved

D. 2016-2017 & 2017-2018 SCHOOL CALENDARS APPROVAL:

Mark Iames moved and Kevin Accurso seconded the motion to approve Calendars for the 2016-2017 & 2017-2018 school years.

Motion Approved

E. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN MIAMI EAST BOARD OF EDUCATION AND MIAMI EAST ASSOCIATION OF SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS

Mark Davis moved and John Demmitt seconded the motion to approve the MOU to clarify language of the 2015-2019 negotiated agreement as it pertains to Article 8.02.

Motion Approved

F. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN MIAMI EAST BOARD OF EDUCATION AND MIAMI EAST EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

Kevin Accurso moved and Mark Iames seconded the motion to approve the MOU to update the Elementary Reading Intervention Tutor supplemental with the Title I Tutor supplemental.

Motion Approved

G. TITLE I TEACHER JOB DESCRIPTION:

John Demmitt moved and Kevin Accurso seconded the motion to approve the Title I Teacher Job description.

Motion Approved

OTHER INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- The Board of Education Tour of the Campus will take place on Friday, April 29th beginning at 8:00 a.m. in the K-8 school
- Applications for the Miami East common scholarship are now available in the scholarship file. This application form includes 17 different scholarships that are available to Miami East Seniors only. The deadline for completion of this common scholarship is March 31st. The electronic version of the common application is now online and can be found on the high school's main web page.

BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS:

- General Discussion(s) –

ADJOURNMENT: The Board adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING
MIAMI EAST HIGH SCHOOL
APRIL 18, 2016
7:00 P.M.