

**MIAMI EAST LOCAL SCHOOLS  
BOARD BITS**

Review of May 20, 2019  
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 Kevin Accurso, John Demmitt, Brandon Fellers, Mark Iames, and Mike Rindler in attendance.

Also in attendance were: Kristy Hurst, staff member; Allen Mack, junior high principal; Maria Staton, student; Whitley Gross, student; Seth Teeters, student; Dan Bowman, parent; Jamie Brown, staff member; Justin Roeth, staff member; Haley Cochran, staff member; Jason Bailey, resident; and Matt Clevenger, Troy Daily News.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Students that attended the New York City trip addressed the Board and described their trip. The students thanked the Board for their continued support to allow this trip to take place. The students described how meaningful the trip was to see sites they had never seen before.

Mr. Bowman addressed the Board discussing the challenges the closing of Open Enrollment has been on his family.

**GOOD NEWS INFORMATION/RECOGNITION REPORT:**

**Miami County Foundation**

We would like to thank the Miami County Foundation and congratulate the staff, listed below. The Miami County Foundation has graciously award grants to the following staff and programs for the 2019-2020 school year:

Muse Machine for \$1,500 submitted by Kristy Hurst  
Music Boosters for \$6,525 submitted by Jeffrey Smith

On behalf of the entire District, staff, and students we would like to thank the Miami County Foundation for their continued support of our students and programs!

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

- A. Treasurer's Report to the Board/Consent Agenda Items – Lisa Fahnce  
Kevin Accurso moved and John Demmitt seconded motion to approve the following:
1. Recommend approval of the minutes of the regular board meeting of April 15, 2019, as presented by the treasurer.
  2. Recommend approval of financial statements for April, 2019 and the five-year forecast to be submitted by May 31, 2019.
  3. The then and now Treasurer's 412 certification, as presented
  4. The appropriation/estimated resource modifications, as follows:

Increase appropriations for Class of 2021 fund 200 (9222) by \$130.00  
Increase estimated resources for Class of 2021 fund 200 (9321) by \$916.51  
Increase appropriations for Elem. Principal's fund 018 (9803) by 8,749.08  
Increase estimated resources for Elem. Principal's Fund 018 (9803) by \$5,524.92  
Increase appropriations for JH Science Club fund 200 (9426) by \$10,000  
Increase estimated resources for JH Science Club fund 200 (9426) by \$3630

5. Approve account modifications, as presented.
6. Recommend approval of the Spring 2019 baseball and softball tournament reports and the associated expenditures including payroll time sheet expenditures, as presented.

**Motion Passed**

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

1. John Demmitt moved and Mike Rindler seconded motion to approve cash donations as follows:
  - \$3945.00 from The Troy Foundation representing a gift from the Josephine Resler Memorial fund established by Sara Duff (decd.) to assist students in the primary grades with experiences to enhance their reading ability
  - \$398 from Kona Ice of Troy for the HS Principal's fund
  - \$50.00 from Speedy Feet to the HS Athletic Program

**Motion Passed**

2. Brandon Fellers moved and John Demmitt seconded motion to approve the renewal of liability, property, and fleet insurance from the Ohio School Plan through The Hylant Administrative Services for July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

**Motion Passed**

1. Mike Rindler moved and Kevin Accurso seconded motion to approve the following resolution as prepared by Dinsmore & Shohl LLP:

RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY  
A RENEWAL TAX AND REQUESTING THE COUNTY  
AUDITOR TO CERTIFY MATTERS IN CONNECTION  
WITH A PROPOSED TAX LEVY

WHEREAS, the electors of the Miami East Local School District approved an eight-tenths (0.8) of one mill levy at the November 4, 2014 election for a period of five (5) years, for the purpose of constructing, reconstructing, remodeling and adding to school buildings, including furniture and equipment (such as school buses) and purchase of necessary real estate and site development; and

WHEREAS, the authority to levy that tax expires with the levy to be made on the 2019 tax list and duplicate for collection in calendar year 2020, and in order to provide for the collection of tax revenues for that purpose without interruption, this Board finds it necessary to renew the existing levy for a period of five (5) years.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Miami East Local School District, Counties of Miami and Champaign, Ohio (herein the "School District").

SECTION 1. That it is hereby declared that the amount of taxes which may be raised in this School District within the ten-mill limitation by levies on the current tax duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of this School District.

SECTION 2. That pursuant to the provisions of Section 5705.21 of the Ohio Revised Code, it is necessary that a renewal tax be levied upon the entire territory of the School District in excess of the ten-mill limitation for the benefit of this School District, for the purpose of providing funds for constructing, reconstructing, remodeling and adding to school buildings, including furniture and equipment (such as school buses) and purchase of necessary real estate and site development at a rate not exceeding eight-tenths (0.8) of one mill for each one dollar (\$1.00) of valuation for a period of five (5) years.

SECTION 3. That the question of the adoption of said renewal tax levy shall be submitted to the electors of the entire territory of the School District at the election to be held on November 5, 2019. If approved by the electors, said tax levy shall first be placed upon the 2020 tax list and duplicate, for first collection in calendar year 2021.

SECTION 4. That pursuant to Section 5705.03 of the Ohio Revised Code, the County Auditor is hereby requested to certify to this Board of Education the total current tax valuation of this School District and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the number of mills specified in Section 2 hereof, and the Treasurer of this Board of Education be and is hereby directed to certify forthwith a copy of this resolution to the County Auditor so that said County Auditor may certify such matters in accordance with Section 5705.03 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 5. 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 all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code, and the rules of this Board of Education adopted in accordance therewith.

**Motion Passed**

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **A. EMPLOYMENT ITEMS:**

1. John Demmitt moved and Kevin Accurso seconded motion to approve Haley Cochran, as a Junior High School English instructor, at Miami East Junior High School with a Masters' Degree, on a one year limited contract, step 0, for the 2019-2020 school year.

**Motion Passed**

2. Mike Rindler moved and Brandon Fellers seconded the motion to approve Bruce Vanover, as a summer school tutor, at Miami East High School, on an as needed basis.

**Motion Passed**

3. Kevin Accurso moved and John Demmitt seconded the approval of the following certificated personnel for upgrade of degrees on the approved salary schedule

Masters +15 – Breanne Stager  
Master’s Degree – Jamie Brown

**Motion Passed**

4. Kevin Accurso moved and John Demmitt seconded 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 2018-2019 school year. The board-approved rate of pay has been set at \$95.00 per day through 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive day and \$100.00 per day from 11<sup>th</sup> day through 60 days in the same position, then placed on beginning salary schedule.

**Motion Passed**

5. John Demmitt moved and Mike Rindler seconded motion to approve the following supplemental contracts for the 2019-2020 school year:  
HIGH SCHOOL

Athletic Ticket Taker – Janet Gump  
Head Girls Basketball Coach – Bruce Vanover – Step 6  
Head Girls’ Golf Coach – Bruce Vanover – Step 6  
Head Boys Golf Coach- Roger Davidson – Step 1  
Fall Site Manager– Bruce Vanover  
Head Cross Country Coach- Alan Russell- Step 6  
Head Volleyball Coach- Dan Peterson – Step 6  
Head Football Coach – Max Current – Step 6  
Assistant Football Coach- Steve Kirby – Step 6  
Assistant Football Coach- Gregg Carnes – Step 6  
Assistant Football Coach- Brad Klepacz – Step 6  
Assistant Football Coach- Todd Hawkins – Step 6  
Strength and Conditioning – Max Current  
Girls JV Volleyball Coach – Danielle Langston- Step 6  
Head Boys Soccer Coach – Nakilee Weni- Step 3  
Boys JV Soccer- Nathan Gudorf – Step 0  
Girls JV Soccer- Cynde Sroufe – Step 5  
Head Boys’ Basketball Coach – Justin Roeth – Step 6  
Boys’ Varsity Assistant Basketball Coach – Kevin Gump – Step 6  
Boys’ Junior Varsity Basketball Coach – Brian Gillespie – Step 6  
Math Department Chair – Tricia Brautigam (1/2)  
Math Department Chair – Cynde Sroufe (1/2)  
Science Department Chair – Becky Weldy

Electives Department Chair – Jeff Smith  
English Department Chair- Kalyn Hollatz  
Special Education Department Chair – Kristy Hurst  
Social Studies Department Chair – Kevin Evans  
Audio/Visual – Wade Meyers  
Muse Machine- Kristy Hurst  
Science Fair Coordinator – Becky Weldy  
Yearbook Advisor – Cynde Sroufe  
National Honor Society – Cynde Sroufe  
Senior Class Advisor- Kristy Hurst  
Sophomore Class Advisor – Breanne Stager  
Freshmen Class Advisor – Stacey Byrne  
Pride in ME Advisor – Stacey Byrne  
Head Band Director – Jeff Smith – Step 6  
Assistant Marching Band – Chris Weddle- Step 1  
Winter Concessions – Reneee Woodward  
Pep Band Director – Jeff Smith  
Head Cheerleading Coach – Janet Gump – Step 6 (1/2)  
Assistant Cheerleading Coach – Janet Gump – Step 6 (1/2)  
Head Cheerleading Coach – Tiffany Sampson – Step 1 (1/2)  
Assistant Cheerleading Coach – Tiffany Sampson – Step 1 (1/2)

#### JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

8<sup>TH</sup> Grade Volleyball Coach- Elizabeth Kerr – Step 6  
Head Cheerleading Coach – Jessica Kinard – Step 2  
Assistant Cheerleading Coach – Kira Kinard – Step 1  
Fall Site Manager- Deb Sandlin  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Head Football Coach- Gary Church – Step 6  
Junior High Assistant Football Coach – Kevin Pyers- Step 6  
Junior High Assistant Football Coach – Frank Hall – Step 6  
Winter Site Manager – LaDonna Mays  
Audio Visual Director (K-8)– Chris Weddle

#### **Motion Passed**

6. John Demmitt moved and Kevin Accurso seconded the motion to approve Renee Woodward as a bus aide, effective May 6, 2019.

#### **Motion Passed**

7. Mike Rindler moved and Brandon Fellers seconded the motion to approve Melissa Beal transitioning to a Masters' Degree +15 after receiving and verifying official transcripts.

#### **Motion Passed**

#### **B. EARLY RELEASE FOR SENIORS:**

Kevin Accurso moved and Brandon Fellers seconded the motion of approval for 3 days early release days for Seniors on May 21, 22, and 23,2019. Graduation will take place on May 24, 2019.

#### **Motion Passed**

**C. APPROVAL OF CLASS OF 2019 FOR GRADUATION:**

Mike Rindler moved and Brandon Fellers seconded the motion of approval of the Class of 2019, which includes 127 seniors, for graduation on May 24, 2019, 7:30 p.m., at Hobart Arena in Troy.

**Motion Passed**

**D. EXTRA-CURRICULAR TRANSPORTATION FEE POLICY:**

John Demmitt moved and Kevin Accurso seconded the motion to approve the 2019-2020 Extra-Curricular Transportation Fee Policy.

**Motion Passed**

**E. MIAMI EAST LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT RANDOM DRUG TESTING POLICY:**

Brandon Fellers moved and John Demmitt seconded motion to approve the following Random Drug testing Program for the 2019-2020 school year:

The Miami East Local School District Board of Education Drug Testing Policy was formed in an effort to deter students from using alcohol and illicit drugs. This policy reflects the Miami East School District Board of Education and the community's strong commitment to establish a truly drug and alcohol free school program. The MIAMI EAST LOCAL SCHOOLS Board of Education desires to implement a policy which will attempt to provide this district with a safe and healthful student program.

The MIAMI EAST LOCAL SCHOOLS have selected student athletes, students who participate in extra-curricular activities and students who, along with consent from their parents, agree to be tested, for inclusion in the testing pool. This policy applies to all athletes, volunteers and extracurricular activities from grades 7-12.

**Motion Passed**

**INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- Baccalaureate will be held on May 23rd at the Light on the Hill Barn at 7:00 p.m. and the MEHS Graduation on the 24th at Hobart Arena at 7:30pm –the Senior Slideshow begins at 7:00pm.
- Eighth Grade graduation will be held on Wednesday, May 22, beginning at 7:00 p.m., and in the past a Board Member has attended and spoke to the eighth grade graduates.
- Once again for the 2019-2020 school year the District will utilize the Background Investigation Bureau (BIB) company to approve volunteers. The BIB has been in existence over 25 years, conducting third party background checks for School Districts and companies across the country.

Contact your building principal and discuss areas you would like to volunteer/chaperone.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

For the purpose of discussing the proposed contract between the Miami East Board of Education and Miami East Association of Support Professionals and for the purpose of discussing the Treasurer's contract and the employment and compensation of a public employee.

Mike Rindler moved and Brandon Fellers seconded motion to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing the proposed contract between the Miami East Board of Education and the Miami East Association of Support Professionals and for the purpose of discussing the Treasurer's contract and the employment and compensation of a public employee. Time In:7:38 p.m. Time out: 9:19 p.m.

**A. APPROVAL OF THE MEEA AGREEMENT FOR 2019-2023 BETWEEN THE MIAMI EAST BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE MIAMI EAST ASSOCIATION OF SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS:**

John Demmitt moved and Mike Rindler seconded approval of the MEASP Agreement for 2019-2023 between the Miami East Board of Education and The Miami East Association of Support Professionals.

**Motion Passed**

**BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS:**

- General Discussion(s)

Mr. Iames thanked Mr. Bowman for coming to the Board meeting and sharing his concerns.

Mr. Accurso thanked Mr. Mack for his commitment and work in the Miami East School District and wished him the best of luck in the future.

**ADJOURNMENT: The Board adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m.**

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

***MIAMI EAST HIGH SCHOOL***

***June 17, 2019 – 7:00 P.M.***