

**MIAMI EAST LOCAL SCHOOLS
BOARD BITS**

Review of October 18, 2021
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 Mark Davis in attendance.

Also in attendance were: Deputy Roger Davidson, Mary Ann Morgret, Alicia Barlow; parent, Pam Rice; resident, Erin O’Neal; parent, Michelle Green; parent, Nicole Bailey; staff member, LaDonna Mays; staff member, Jackie Winner; staff member, Susan Slone; staff member, Amanda Howell; parent, Logan Desautels; parent, and Matt Clevenger, Troy Daily News.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments heard.

GOOD NEWS RECOGNITION/INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

Career Connections

The District has made plans to utilize Success Grant Funds to introduce a new supplemental position at the high school termed “Career Connections”.

The District’s goal is to better assist students graduating that are not planning on attending college or enlisting in the military and assist them in gaining full-time employment.

Our goal is to better assist our students and parents in putting them in a position to be employed when they graduate from Miami East. The Career Connections position will work on job site visits, writing resumes, job shadowing, job fairs, and assisting our seniors in locating a full time job upon graduating from Miami East

TREASURER’S REPORT:

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

1. Recommend approval of the minutes of the regular board meeting of September 20, 2021 as presented.
2. Recommend approval of the financial statements for September 2021.
3. Recommend approval of the Treasurer’s then and now 412 certifications, as presented.
4. Recommend approval of account modifications, as presented.
5. Estimated Resources/Appropriations modifications:

Increase estimated resources- ESSER ARP fund 507 (9923) by \$751,875.58
Increase appropriations- ESSER ARP fund 507 (9923) by \$751,875.58
Increase appropriations – Building Maintenance fund 034 by \$50,000

5. Recommend approval of the Federal pass-thru grants final expenditure report for FY 2020-2021, as presented.

Motion Passed

B. Treasurer’s Report to the Board/Regular Agenda Items – Lisa Fahncke

1. Mark Davis moved and Brandon Fellers seconded motion to approve cash donations as follows:
 - \$90 from Roberta Elliott in honor of Nancy Kirk’s 90th birthday to the Elementary Principal’s fund for the purchase or library books for the elementary building
 - \$15 from the Miller’s in memory of Bill Sutherly to the Miami East FFA program
 - \$25 from the Taynor’s in memory of Bill Sutherly to the Miami East FFA program
 - \$25 from the Landis’s in memory of Bill Sutherly to the Miami East FFA program
 - \$50 from Sleeper Family in memory of Bill Sutherly to the Miami East FFA program
 - \$5,420 from the Miami East Education Foundation for various grants for the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion Passed

2. John Demmitt moved and Kevin Accurso seconded the motion to approve the acceptance of Lisa Fahncke’s letter of retirement. Her last day will be March 31, 2021 as School Treasurer.

Motion Passed

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

NEW BUSINESS:

A. EMPLOYMENT ITEMS:

1. Kevin Accurso moved and John Demmitt seconded the motion to approve the acceptance of Jennifer Godsey’s letter of resignation, effective September 28, 2021 as a bus aide.

Motion Passed

2. Brandon Fellers moved and John Demmitt seconded the motion to approve the acceptance of Wanda Clark’s letter of retirement. Her last day will be December 31, 2021 as a bus driver.

Motion Passed

3. John Demmitt moved and Brandon Fellers seconded the motion to approve the hiring Mary Jacobs as a Preschool special education bus aide, on a one-year limited contract, for the 2021-2022 school year, step 0, effective September 22, 2021.

Motion Passed

4. Kevin Accurso moved and John Demmitt seconded the motion to approve the hiring Sandy Swigart as a special education bus aide, on a one-year limited contract, for the 2021-2022 school year, step 0, effective September 22, 2021,

Motion Passed

5. Brandon Fellers moved and Mark Davis seconded the approval of additional substitute classified personnel for the 2021-2022 school year as follows:

Custodian, Cook – Sara Lichtenberg
Custodian, Cook, Aide – Mary Jacobs
Custodian, Cook, Aide – Ashley Durst
Bus Driver- Mike Godsey

Motion Passed

6. Kevin Accurso moved and Brandon Fellers seconded the motion to approve all bus routes times and mileage for the 2021-2022 school year, and on file in the central office. This is information that needs submitted on the State T-1 report.

Motion Passed

7. Mark Davis moved and Kevin Accurso seconded the motion to approve substitute teachers who have been approved by the Miami County Educational Service Center, and 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 10th consecutive days and \$110.00 per day from 11th day through 60 days in the same position, then placed on beginning salary schedule.

Motion Passed

8. John Demmitt moved and Brandon Fellers seconded the motion of approval of the following persons for supplemental contracts, effective for the 2021-2022 school year, based on their years of experience, at the board approved rate of pay:

Head Girls Basketball Coach- Bruce Vanover- Step 6
Girls Varsity Assistant Basketball Coach- Kevin Evans- Step 6
Girls Junior Varsity Basketball Coach- Gary Thompson- Step 6
8th Grade Girls Basketball- Doug Knostman- Step 4
Boys Freshmen Basketball Coach- Preston Elifritz- Step 6
8th Grade Boys Basketball- Connor Carey- Step 1
7th Grade Boys Basketball- Zach Comer- Step 2
Head High School Wrestling Coach- Mark Rose- Step 6

Head High School Girls Wrestling Coach- Haley Oullette- Step 0
Assistant High School Wrestling Coach- Richard Randall- Step 6
Junior High Head Wrestling Coach- Jason Sroufe- Step 6
Junior High Assistant Wrestling Coach- Stewart Strubler- Step 4
Assistant Swimming Coach – Carmen Richters – Step 6
Code Club- Matt Roth

Motion Passed

9. Kevin Accurso moved and Brandon Fellers seconded the motion to approve the staff members who are providing tutoring at the Elementary, Junior High or High school.
- a) Dan Hickman (effective September 24th)
 - b) Rebecca Reynolds (effective September 24th)
 - c) Jennifer Moore (effective October 4th)
 - d) Emily Fox (effective October 4th Career Connections)
 - e) Stacey Byrne (effective October 18, 2021)

Motion Passed

10. Brandon Fellers moved and Mark Davis seconded the motion to approve an unpaid leave of absence for the following employee(s):
- Cindy Hirsch – November 11, 2021 (1 Day)
Sharon Martin– September 9 & 10, 2021 (2 Days)
Brenda Aviles – October 11-15, 2021 (5 Days)

Motion Passed

11. John Demmitt moved and Kevin Accurso 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) Katie Mason –BS to MS +0

Motion Passed

B. TECHNICAL SUPERVISION SERVICE AGREEMENT W/ROB TRISEL:

Kevin Accurso moved and Mark Davis seconded the approval of the Technical Supervision Service Agreement with Rob Trisel, for the 2021-2022 testing of the water treatment system at Miami East High School and Miami East Pre-K Schools.

Motion Passed

C. **SNOW REMOVAL CONTRACT FOR 2021-2022 WITH LOSTCREEK LAWN AND FENCE COMPANY:**

Mark Davis moved and Brandon Fellers seconded the motion to approve Lostcreek Lawn and Fence for snow removal, for schools in the Miami East Local School District, for the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion Passed

D. **APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE MIAMI EAST LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT & MEEA (SUPPLEMENTAL POSITION)**

Kevin Accurso moved and Mark Davis seconded the motion for approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Miami East Local School District and the Miami East Education Association (MEEA) for an additional supplemental .

Motion Passed

E. **OHIO TEACHER EVALUATION SYSTEM (OTES 2.0):**

John Demmitt moved and Brandon Fellers seconded the motion of approval the Miami East Board of Education will adopt a teacher evaluation policy in accordance with the standards-based statewide teacher evaluation framework adopted by the State Board of Education.

- a. The Miami East Board of Education adopts the Ohio Teacher Evaluation System “OTES” model as approved by the State Board of Education.
- b. Each evaluation will have a rating of (1) Accomplished; (2) Proficient; (3) Developing; or (4) Ineffective.
- c. Allows Districts flexibility in the number of appraisals completed each year.

This evaluation program has been developed in consultation with teachers employed by the Miami East Board of Education.

Motion Passed

OTHER INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

FFA Holding Annual Fruit Sales

The Miami East-MVCTC FFA Chapter is now holding their annual Fruit Fundraiser. The Miami East FFA will be selling Washington Red Delicious Apples, Washington Golden Delicious Apples, Ohio Red Delicious Apples, Ohio Golden Delicious Apples, Ohio Fuji Apples, Navel Oranges, Clementines, Pears, Pineapples, Pink Grapefruit, Mixed Fruit, and Peanuts. The fruit is sold in full and half boxes.

Miami East-MVCTC FFA is also offering a variety of cheeses, including Colby, Swiss, Marble, Pepper Jack, and Horseradish, ring-bologna, large and small fruit gift baskets, and BBQ sauces. Additionally, FFA is offering Jack Link’s Beef Steaks in Original or Teriyaki flavors.

Miami East-MVCTC FFA chapter will be selling from now through November 12th. Delivery will be the first full week in December. If you want to buy fruit there will be FFA members travelling throughout the community. If an FFA member doesn't contact you, feel free to call Miami East High School, at 335-7070 ext. 3212. Thanks for your support.

BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS:

- General Discussion(s)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mark Davis moved and John Demmitt seconded motion to enter executive session for the purpose of evaluating the Superintendent.

Time In:7:20 p.m. Time out: 8:00 p.m.

Motion Passed

Brandon Fellers moved and Kevin Accurso seconded motion to reconvene to regular session.
Time In:8:01 p.m.

Motion Passed

Mark Davis moved and Kevin Accurso seconded motion to adjourn the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: The Board adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

**MIAMI EAST HIGH SCHOOL
Lecture Hall
November 15, 2021 - 7:00 P.M.**