

**MIAMI EAST LOCAL SCHOOLS
BOARD BITS**

Review of October 20, 2014
Regular Board Meeting

Mark Davis, 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, Mark Davis, and Brandon Fellers in attendance.

Also in attendance were: Barb Minnich, staff member; and Terry Wright, Piqua Daily Call.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments heard.

INFORMATIONAL REPORT:

Third Grade Guarantee

This year will be the second year of the Third Grade Guarantee. The ability to read is the foundation of learning. Research shows that children who are not reading at a third grade level by the end of grade three will likely have trouble learning in all classroom subjects in higher grades. As a result, the Ohio General Assembly approved Senate Bill 21.

Third Grade students must meet a minimum score (394 for school year 2014-2015) on the state reading test to move on to the fourth grade. This score must be attained either in the Fall or Spring administration of the state reading test.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

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

Kevin Accurso moved and Brandon Fellers seconded motion to approve the following:

1. Recommend approval of the minutes of the regular board meeting of September 15, 2014 as presented.
2. Recommend approval of the financial statements for September 2014.
3. Recommend approval of the Treasurer's then and now 412 certifications, as presented.
4. Recommend approval to pay back an advance in the amount of \$7,365.94 from the Athletic fund to the general fund.
5. Recommend approval of account modifications, as presented.
6. Recommend approval of the Five-Year Forecast for FY 2015-2019, as presented by the treasurer.

Motion Approved

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

Brandon Fellers moved and Brad Burton seconded

1. Recommend approval of the following donations:

- \$2,552.00 from the Boosters to HS Athletics for the girls soccer uniforms
- \$2,000.00 from the Troy Foundation for JH/Elementary choir risers
- \$722.00 from the Music Boosters to the JH/Elementary for choir risers
- \$500.00 from the Nat'l FFA for the Miami East FFA Program

Motion Approved

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

NEW BUSINESS:

A. EMPLOYMENT ITEMS:

1. Kevin Accurso moved and Brandon Fellers seconded the motion to approve the acceptance of Stephanie Mitrisin's letter of retirement, effective at the conclusion of the 2014-2015 school year.

Motion Approved

2. Brad Burton moved and Brandon Fellers seconded the motion to approve the acceptance of Janet Taylor's letter of retirement, effective at the conclusion of the 2014-2015 school year.

Motion Approved

3. Brandon Fellers moved and Kevin Accurso seconded the motion to approve an unpaid leave of absence for the following employee:

Loretta Yantis – September 10-12, 2014 (3 total days)

Motion Approved

4. Kevin Accurso moved and Brad Burton seconded the motion of approval of the following persons for supplemental contracts, effective for the 2014-2015 school year, based on their years of experience, at the board approved rate of pay

High School

Athletic Eligibility Tutor – Janet Gump

Saturday School – Jerry Black

Volunteer High School Football Coach – Jacob Current

Motion Approved

5. Brad Burton moved and Brandon Fellers seconded approval of sub 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 2014-2015 school year. The board-approved rate of pay has been set at \$75.00 per day through 10th consecutive day and \$83.00 per day from 11th day through 60 days in the same position, then placed on beginning salary schedule.

Motion Approved

6. Kevin Accurso moved and Brandon Fellers seconded the motion to approve all bus routes times and mileage for the 2014-2015 school year, and on file in the central office. This is information that needs submitted on the State T-1 report.

Motion Approved

7. Brad Burton moved and Kevin Accurso seconded the motion to approve an additional classified substitute for the 2014-2015 school year as follows:

Brenda Aviles – Custodian, Aide, and Cook

Motion Approved

- B. TECHNICAL SUPERVISION SERVICE AGREEMENT W/ROB TRISEL:**
Kevin Accurso moved and Brandon Fellers seconded approval of the Technical Supervision Service Agreement with Rob Trisel, for the 2014-2015 testing of the water treatment system at Miami East High School and Miami East Pre-K Schools.

Motion Approved

- C. APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY CHANGES PER NEOLA:**
Brandon Fellers moved and Kevin Accurso seconded the motion to approve Board Policies changes as presented for review. These changes include updates to items such as policies related to OTES, OPES, Acceptable Use Policy, Section 504, use of medications, and District sponsored clubs and activities.

Motion Approved

8. OTHER INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- Discussion of the Construction Project Funds. The Board discussed at length the status of the closing out the building project. The close-out process has taken much longer than anticipated as documents have been sent from one government agency to another. The District has been frustrated throughout this process as the timeline by the state has changed a number of times since moving into the high school.

Board members discussed options with regard to the close-out process and discussed speaking with community members to solicit their thoughts regarding the options with regard to the close-out process before making a final decision.

- Morning Traffic Flow suggestions for drop-offs. Dr. Rappold shared suggested drop-off options to increase the traffic flow in the morning.
- Review for the November meeting the 2014-2015 Miami East Board of Education Goals. The 2013-2014 Goals have been included in your packet.
- Miami East High School will be hosting a Veterans Day Breakfast on Nov. 11th for all Veterans and Active Military Personnel that reside in the Miami East School District. Spouses are also welcome to attend the breakfast. The breakfast will be held on Tuesday, November 11th beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the High School cafeteria. Please RSVP to the Miami East High School Office @ 335-7070 Ext. 3001 by Monday, November 3rd.
- Board members discussed the current Board Policy with regard to Valedictorian criteria.

BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS:

- General Discussion(s)

ADJOURNMENT: The Board adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

**MIAMI EAST HIGH SCHOOL
Lecture Hall
November 17, 2014 - 7:00 P.M.**