

**MIAMI EAST LOCAL SCHOOLS  
BOARD BITS**

Review of August 16, 2010  
Regular Board Meeting

Rusty Miller, board president, called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., held in room 602 at Miami East Junior 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: Allen Mack, junior high principal; Jean Accurso, parent; Juli Accurso, student; Kent Buehrer, The Buehrer Group; Alan Polatka, The Quandel Group; Dennis Schumaker, The Quandel Group; and Melanie Yingst, Troy Daily Newspaper.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments heard.

**GOOD NEWS RECOGNITION/INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:**

- The Buehrer Group and the Quandel Group updated the Board of Education on the status of the construction of the new high school. As of the week of August 16<sup>th</sup> progress and completion of the following items have occurred:
  - The Gymnasium walls are 90% complete
  - The underground mechanical systems are 100% complete
  - The concrete floors have been poured in 90% of all classrooms
  - The geothermal field has been seeded and the fencing has begun around the detention basin
  - Over the next few weeks work will continue with the masonry work in front of the building
  - Brick work will begin in the center exterior of the building
  - The roof decking will continue in the center of the building
  - The technology package is scheduled to be advertised in early October
  
- State Representative Richard Adams was in attendance to present Juli Accurso with a state commendation for winning the 1600 meter race at this year's state track meet. Representative Adams congratulated Juli for her many accomplishments while at Miami East both athletically and academically. The Ohio State House of Representative commendation recognized her as a stellar student-athlete.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

- A. Approval of the minutes of the July 19, 2010 regular board meeting, and the special board meetings of June 28, 2010, July 12, 2010 and August 02, 2010, as presented by the treasurer.
  
- B. Approval of the financial statements for July 2010, as presented by the treasurer.

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

- Recommend approval of two registrations for the 2010 O.S.B.A. Capital Conference to be held November 07-10, 2010, in Columbus, OH.
- The treasurer shared the O.S.B.A. Capital Conference Forms with this year's Delegate and Alternate.
- Approval for out of district travel and registration fees for the treasurer to attend the annual treasurers' clinic to be held at the Roberts Center, Wilmington, OH, on September 15, 2010, at \$120 per person, as well as mileage reimbursement.
- Mr. Sommer shared the 2010-2011 Hospitalization, Dental and Vision Insurance Premium Rates. In addition, Mr. Sommer shared recent dependent changes with regard to insurance.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

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

1. Approval of Fred Busman, as a 2<sup>nd</sup> shift 12 month custodian, at Miami East High School, on a one-year limited contract, step 0, at the board approved rate of pay for the 2010-2011 school year, pending BCII/FBI check, effective August 23, 2010.
2. Approval of adjustments for the following certified teaching contracts, after receiving original transcripts and/or verification of previous employment for the following employees, effective for the 2010-2011 school year:
  - a) Terri Downs from Step 0 to Step 1, BS
  - b) Danielle Meier from BS to BS +150, Step 1
3. Approval of the sub teacher daily rate pay for the 2010-2011 school year to continue at \$75.00 per day through 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive day and \$83.00 per day from 11<sup>th</sup> day through 60 days in the same position, then placed on beginning salary schedule.
4. 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 2010-11 school year. The board-approved rate of pay has been set at \$75.00 per day through 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive day and \$83.00 per day from 11<sup>th</sup> day through 60 days in the same position, then placed on beginning salary schedule.
5. Approval of classified subs, by category, as on file in the central office. Classified subs are all on an as needed basis for the 2010-2011 school year, at the approved board rate of pay per sub category.
6. Approval of Kevin Accurso as a volunteer cross country coach for the 2010-2011 school year.

**B. VENDORS FOR 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR:**

Approval for the following vendors for the 2010-11 school year, as on file in the central office as follows: Klosterman's Bakery, Trauth Dairy, and Reiter Dairy, along with other vendors through the SWOEPD for all cafeteria bids; Artex Services for dust mops and walk-off mats and dish towels; Kirk's National Lease Garage for district bus maintenance; Grismer's for all tire service for buses and other district vehicles; and Paxton Communications, for bus and base radios for the district.

**C. 2010-2011 ANTI-HARASSMENT COMPLIANT OFFICER:**

Approval of Todd Rappold as the 2010-2011 Miami East Local School District Anti-Harassment Compliant Officer.

**D. TRANSPORTATION COSTS FOR ATHLETIC CONTESTS IN 2010-2011:**

Approval for the board to assume transportation costs for athletic contests in 2010-11, at an amount not to exceed \$15,000, and to support actual cost.

**E. APPROVAL OF THE GENERAL CONSTRUCTION BIDS FOR THE BASEBALL & SOFTBALL DUGOUTS/ BACKSTOPS FOR THE BASEBALL/SOFTBALL COMPLEX:**

Approval of Bruns General Contracting for the General Trades, Ober Thompson for the plumbing, and Koester Electric, Inc. for the electric for the construction of the baseball and softball dugouts and backstops.

**8. OTHER INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- Dr. Rappold shared this month's edition of *The Board* – “When Conflicting Agendas Collide at the Board Table” & “Six Leadership Realities Facing Today's School Boards”.
- Dr. Rappold and the Board discussed the upcoming *Board* Renewal for the 2010-2011 school year. Board members will consider whether to continue subscribing to this publication during the September meeting.
- The First Staff Day will be held on August 24, beginning at 7:30 a.m. in the Pre-K 8 Auditoria. Dr. Rappold shared that the students' first day will be Wednesday, August 25<sup>th</sup>. Open house and student orientation information is posted on the district's web site. Dr. Rappold shared that by the time the students arrive next week the staff will have spent four full days in teacher professional development in preparation for the upcoming school year. In addition, Dr. Rappold reminded everyone to be careful next week as students, parents, and staff will begin arriving to school.
- One of the items the staff will have worked on prior to the start of the 2010-2011 school year will be the Action Plan goals for each of the grade levels and departments. Creating the goals for the upcoming school year includes reviewing last year's test results.

Mr. Allen Mack was in attendance and shared some of the OAA math results from the

previous year. During the 2009-2010 school year students at the junior high scored #1 in the county in numerous areas! In addition, the number of students that scored Advanced was not only in the top ranking in the county, but was also one of the top percentages across the entire state of Ohio.

- Thank you letter written on behalf of the school district, to Cris and Arlis Perry for their donation of a piano to the district's music department.
- Thank you letter written on behalf of the school district, to Brandon and Tricia Fellers for their time and effort in repainting the varsity stadium uprights.
- Superintendent Performance Evaluation Form.

**BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS:**

Mr. Carson congratulated Juli for her commendation this evening. In addition, he remarked that both Mr. and Mrs. Accurso were to be congratulated for a job well done.

**ADJOURNMENT: The Board adjourned the meeting at 8:35 a.m.**

**NEXT MEETING**

***MIAMI EAST JR. HIGH/ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
September 20, 2010  
7:00 P.M.***