

**MIAMI EAST LOCAL SCHOOLS
BOARD BITS**

Review of September 20, 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: Danielle Dillon, staff member; Sandy Finkes, staff member; Ceal Turnbull, staff member; Jodi Metzger, staff member; Tim Williams, high school principal; Kim Plummer, 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

Danielle Dillon, Sandy Finkes, and Ceal Turnbull introduced the Rachel's Challenge Program to the Board of Education. Rachel Scott was the first person killed in the Columbine shooting. As the counselors explained to the Board of Education, a month before Rachel died she wrote an essay stating "I have this theory that if one person can go out of their way to show compassion, then it will start a chain reaction of the same. People will never know how far a little kindness can go." Rachel's Challenge centers around this goal of compassion and the following five challenges:

1. Look for the best in others- Eliminate Prejudice
2. Dare to dream- Set Goals- Keep a Journal
3. Choose Positive Influences- Input Determines Output
4. Kind Words & Actions = Huge Results
5. Start a Chain Reaction with Family and Friends

On Wednesday, October 20th School Assemblies will be held during the day focusing on the goals and challenges of Rachel's Challenge. In addition a Community Evening Event will be held the same day from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the PK-8 auditoria. All community members and parents are invited to attend.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- A. Approval of the minutes of the July 19, 2010 regular board meeting, the August 2, 2010 special board meeting and the August 16, 2010 regular board meeting, as presented by the treasurer.
- B. Approval of the financial statements for August, 2010.
- C. Review for consideration the Permanent Appropriations and Spending Plan for Fiscal Year 2011 (2010-11 School Year).

- D. Approval of a Workers' Compensation Group Retrospective Rating Plan for 2011 through the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Cooperative, with Hunter Consulting Company.
- E. Approval of the audit contract modification as a result of the ARRA Programs.
- F. Approval of the amendment to the OSFC Project Agreement reconciling the Expedited Local Partnership Program (ELPP).

OTHER:

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

NEW BUSINESS:

A. EMPLOYMENT ITEMS:

- 1. Approval of Kristy Hurst, as athletic eligibility tutor, at one (1) hour per week, as part of the previously approved athletic eligibility plan, at the tutor rate of pay.
- 2. 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 10th consecutive days and \$83.00 per day from 11th day through 60 days in the same position, then placed on beginning salary schedule.
- 3. Approval of the following persons for supplemental contracts, effective for the 2010-11 school year, based on their years of experience, at the board approved rate of pay:

HIGH SCHOOL

Boys Reserve Basketball Coach – Justin Roeth – Step 6
 Boys Varsity Assistant Basketball Coach – Todd Stucker – Step 6
 Girls Head Basketball Coach – Preston Elifritz – Step 2
 Girls Reserve Basketball Coach – Kevin Gump – Step 5
 Girls Varsity Assistant Basketball Coach – Kelly Cash – Step 6
 Head Wrestling Coach – Jason Sroufe – Step 1
 Volunteer Swimming Coach – Carol Bollinger
 Student Council Advisor – Barb Coffing & Ceal Turnbull
 Sophomore Class Advisor – Meghan Arnold

JR. HIGH

7th Grade Boys Basketball Coach – Kevin Evans – Step 6
 8th Grade Boys Basketball Coach – Scott Shirk – Step 6
 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach – Steve Hedges – Step 6
 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach – LaDonna Mays – Step 0
 Assistant Cheerleading Advisor – Cathy Broughton – Step 0
 National Honor Society Advisor – Janet Stevens

B. FY' 2011 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS:

Approval of the FY' 2011 Permanent Appropriations as presented for review by the treasurer.

C. OUT-OF-STATE TRIP APPROVAL:

Approval of the following out-of-state field trips for the 2010-2011 school year:

- 1) National FFA Convention, Indianapolis, IN. – October 20-23, 2010
- 2) High School Boys' & Girls' Basketball Team – Indianapolis, IN. – November 12, 2010
- 3) MEHS New York City Trip – April 13-16, 2011
- 4) Eighth Grade Smoky Mountain Trip – May 9-13, 2011

D. TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT W/TROY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL:

Approval of the transportation agreement between Miami East Local School District and Troy Christian School for the 2010-11 school year.

E. TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT W/MIAMI COUNTY MRDD:

Approval of the transportation agreement between Miami East Local School District and Miami County MRDD for the 2010-2011 school year.

F. WAIVER OF REGULAR TRANSPORTATION:

Approval of the Waiver of Transportation for students whose legal residence is within the Miami East Local School District and who are attending the Piqua Catholic Schools, Sidney-Lehman High School, Miami Montessori School, St. Pat's School, and the Miami County Consortium Pre-School and Special Education units, for reimbursement to the parents for the 2010-11 school year.

G. ALL FEDERAL PROGRAMS FOR 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR:

Approval of Miami East Local School's participation in all Federal education programs for which we qualify.

H. SNOW REMOVAL CONTRACT FOR 2010-2011 WITH RUSH'S CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION:

Approval of Rush's Concrete Construction for snow removal, for schools within the Miami East Local School District, for the 2010-2011 school year.

I. WAIVER OF REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 3313.674 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE:

Approval of the following resolution:

The Miami East Local School District is aware of the requirements set forth in section 3313.674(A) of the Ohio Revised Code that each student enrolled in kindergarten, third grade, fifth grade, and ninth grade be screened for body mass index and weight status category, prior to the first day of May of the school year. The Miami East Local School District is unable to comply with the requirements of section 3313.674 of the Ohio Revised Code and has resolved to seek a waiver from compliance with said requirements from the Superintendent of Public instruction for the 2010-2011 school year.

OTHER INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEM(S):

- Dr. Rappold shared this month's edition of *The Board* - "What Research Says about Small Class Sizes and Learning" & "Five Questions to Ask Before Adopting a New Policy".

- Board members discussed renewing the annual subscription to *The Board* for the 2010-2011 school year. After discussion, Board members chose not to renew the subscription for the upcoming year to assist with cost savings across the district.

BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS:

- General Discussion(s)

- Scheduling the meetings for the months of October, November, and December, 2010. The Board agreed to schedule the next three regularly scheduled monthly Board meetings for the third Monday of the month.

ADJOURNMENT: The Board adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

**MIAMI EAST JR. HIGH/ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
October 18, 2010 - 7:00 P.M.**