Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees
Mount Clemens Community Schools

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Mount Clemens Community Schools was held Wednesday, February 15, 2017, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Administrative Work Center.

ITEM 1: Call to Order
Board President, Jason Monk, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ITEM 2: Roll Call
Present: Ed Bruley, Christina Escalante, David McFadden (6:34 p.m.), Jason Monk, Earl Rickman, Glenn Voorhess, Jeanine Walker
Absent: None

ITEM 3: *Pledge of Allegiance*
Board President, Jason Monk, led the assembly in the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

ITEM 4: Citizens' Comments
None

ACTION ITEMS

ITEM 5: Approval of Minutes

A. Minutes of the January 18, 2017 Organizational Meeting of the Board

B. Minutes of the January 18, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Board

C. Minutes of the February 2, 2017 Board Workshop

Moved by Member Voorhess and seconded by Member Walker to approve the minutes.

AYES: Glenn Voorhess, Jeanine Walker, Ed Bruley, Christina Escalante, Earl Rickman, Jason Monk
NAYS: None
Absent: David McFadden
Motion carried.

ITEM 6: Bills for Payment

Moved by Member Bruley and seconded by Member Walker to approve the bills.

AYES: Glenn Voorhess, Jeanine Walker, Ed Bruley, Christina Escalante, Earl Rickman, Jason Monk
NAYS: None
Absent: David McFadden
Motion carried.

ITEM 7: Approve Budget Amendment

Moved by Member Voorhess and seconded by Member Walker to approve the budget amendment.

AYES: Glenn Voorhess, Jeanine Walker, Ed Bruley, Christina Escalante, David McFadden, Earl Rickman, Jason Monk
NAYS: None
Motion carried.

ITEM 8: Approve Jason Monk to attend 2/10 MASB Board President Workshop in Troy

Moved by Member Bruley and seconded by Member Escalante to approve Jason Monk Workshop.

AYES: Glenn Voorhess, Jeanine Walker, Ed Bruley, Christina Escalante, David McFadden, Earl Rickman, Jason Monk
NAYS: None
Motion carried.

ITEM 9: Approve Hiring of a part-time Physical Therapist

Background Information: Caseload numbers necessitates the hiring of a Physical Therapist.

Recommended Action: The recommended action is to hire Moby Samuel as a part-time Physical Therapist, effective January 31, 2017.

Moved by Member Bruley and seconded by Member Walker to approve hiring Moby Samuel.

AYES: Glenn Voorhess, Jeanine Walker, Ed Bruley, Christina Escalante, David McFadden, Earl Rickman, Jason Monk
NAYS: None
Motion carried.

ITEM 10: Approve Hiring of a CI Teacher

Background Information: Caseload numbers necessitates the hiring of a CI Teacher.

Recommended Action: The recommended action is to hire Lanette Olejniczak as a CI Teacher, effective February 1, 2017.

Moved by Member Bruley and seconded by Member Rickman to approve hiring Lanette Olejniczak.

AYES: Glenn Voorhess, Jeanine Walker, Ed Bruley, Christina Escalante, David McFadden, Earl Rickman, Jason Monk
NAYS: None
Motion carried.

ITEM 11: Approve Hiring of a Retention Specialist

Background Information: Discussed at the 02/02 Board Workshop, the position of a Retention Specialist.

Recommended Action: Approve the process of hiring a Retention Specialist.

Moved by Member Bruley and seconded by Member Walker to approve hiring a Retention Specialist.

AYES: Glenn Voorhess, Jeanine Walker, Ed Bruley, Christina Escalante, David McFadden, Jason Monk
NAYS: Earl Rickman
Motion carried.

ITEM 12: Community Service awarded for Athletic Participation

Background Information: Discussed at 02/02 Board Workshop awarding Community Service to student athletes.

Recommended Action: Approve 2 Community Service Hours per each full season athletic activity.

Moved by Member Rickman and seconded by Member Bruley to refer the Community Service for Athletic Participation to the committee.

AYES: Glenn Voorhess, Jeanine Walker, Ed Bruley, Christina Escalante, David McFadden, Earl Rickman, Jason Monk
NAYS: None
Motion carried.

INFORMATION ITEMS

ITEM 13: January Financial Report

ITEM 14: Open Purchase Order Listing

ITEM 15: Contract Listing

ITEM 16: Superintendent's Comments – The Governor came out with his budget last week, the House and Senate still have to come out with theirs regarding the per pupil increase we can expect to receive. The Governor said we can expect an increase of around $50-$100. He also said $50 more per pupil for High School students. He also included money for elementary literacy coaches, and this is based on poverty. And this is due to the new legislation of third graders passing the M-Step. None of our schools were registered as At Risk, the High School is out of priority school status, but the Middle School and Seminole are still in. It is very frustrating for schools on how you get in and how you get out of being considered a "priority school". The MDE would like to have the control back in their department. Count Day was on February 8, and our numbers are up. In October 2016 our count was 1085 and in February 2017 it was 1105. This is a good sign for next year.

ITEM 17: Committee Reports

A. **Business** – met on 2/7/17 at 9:30 a.m. Present were Ed Bruley, Jeanine Walker, Glenn Voorhess, Dr. Pearson and Teresa Davis. We covered the financial report, bills for payment, budget amendment, PO listing, contract listing, and position of Retention Specialist was discussed at great length.

B. **Policy** – no meeting.

C. **Community Coalition** – Moving forward with our Real Talk event which is on March 16 from 9am – 2pm. Invitations will be going out, you should be receiving them soon. After the Real Talk event is over we will be moving ahead with our Career Day in May.

D. **Legislation** – I did not make the meeting, but I have some notes. The House Committee of Michigan Competitiveness met on HB4192. Basically if this bill passes it will overturn MI State Standards which have been in place since 2010. If HB4192 passes, it would eliminate all funding and resources related to the current standards. It would change the way we evaluate and measure standards, assessments, and achievement. They are urging folks to vote no on HB4192. They mentioned that Mount Clemens High School is no longer on the priority list. Discussed some changes that will be coming through for the SRO.

E. **Curriculum/Personnel** – no meeting.

ITEM 18: Board Comments
McFadden: no comments.
Voorhess: Once a Bather, Always a Bather.
Walker: This is good news tonight. The High School is off the priority list and our count is up, things are looking up!
Bruley: I concur with Ms. Walker.
Escalante: The Spelling Bee at Seminole a couple of weeks ago was great.
Rickman: Last night at the Basketball game, the Varsity team and the Cheerleaders paid tribute to a High School teacher that recently found out she has breast cancer. They all had on pink, and had pink balloons. It was a class act on behalf of our student athletes! And we won!

Monk: Thank you everyone for all of your time and effort. Wish all of the sports teams good luck in the State Tournaments. Thank you to all the staff.

ITEM 19: Executive Session to Discuss Attorney-Client Privileged Legal Opinion

Moved by Member Rickman and seconded by Member McFadden to go into Executive Session at 7:36 p.m. to discuss attorney-client privileged legal opinion.

AYES: Glenn Voorhess, Jeanine Walker, Ed Bruley, Christina Escalante, David McFadden, Earl Rickman, Jason Monk
NAYS: None
Motion carried.

ITEM 20: Motion to Return from Executive Session

Moved by Member Rickman and seconded by Member McFadden to return from Executive Session at 8:46 p.m.

AYES: Glenn Voorhess, Jeanine Walker, Ed Bruley, Christina Escalante, David McFadden, Earl Rickman, Jason Monk
NAYS: None
Motion carried.

ITEM 21: Adjournment

Moved by Member Rickman and seconded by Member Voorhess to adjourn the meeting.

AYES: Glenn Voorhess, Jeanine Walker, Ed Bruley, Christina Escalante, David McFadden, Earl Rickman, Jason Monk
NAYS: None
Meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanine R. Walker

Jeanine Walker, Board Secretary