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**BOARD MEETING
MACOMB ACADEMY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Date: April 9th, 2026
Time: 5:00 p.m.
Location: Macomb Academy
39092 Garfield
Clinton Township, Michigan 48038

MINUTES

MEETING TYPE: ☒ Regular ☐ Special ☒ Proposed ☐ Approved

I. CALL TO ORDER

CALL TO ORDER AT 5:06 P.M.

President Marilyn Wittstock

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Marilyn Wittstock

ROLL CALL BY:

President Marilyn Wittstock

Roll Call:

		<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Ms. Marilyn Wittstock	President	yes		
Ms. Felicia Westbrook-Hilton	Vice-President	yes		
Ms. Melina Chynoweth	Secretary	yes		
Ms. Denise Flinders-Victory	Treasurer	yes		
Ms. Francette Pate-O'Hara	Trustee			yes

MOTION CARRIES

4/0 Unanimous Vote

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ms. Marilyn Wittstock	President
Ms. Felicia Westbrook-Hilton	Vice-President
Ms. Melina Chynoweth	Secretary
Ms. Denise Flinders-Victory	Treasurer

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Ms. Mikelle Hillewaere, Supervisor

GUESTS PRESENT: NONE

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Marilyn Wittstock

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from March's meeting. **Motion** made by **President Marilyn Wittstock** supported by **Vice-President Felicia Westbrook-Hilton** to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting held March 17th, 2026. All in favor. Unanimous 4/0

Roll Call:

		<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Ms. Marilyn Wittstock	President	yes		
Ms. Felicia Westbrook-Hilton	Vice-President	yes		
Ms. Melina Chynoweth	Secretary	yes		
Ms. Denise Flinders-Victory	Treasurer	yes		
Ms. Francette Pate-O'Hara	Trustee			yes

MOTION CARRIES

4/0 Unanimous Vote

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Marilyn Wittstock

The Board reviewed the agenda for the April meeting. **Motion** made by **President Marilyn Wittstock** supported by **Vice-President Felicia Westbrook-Hilton**, to approve the April meeting agenda. All in favor. Unanimous 4/0

Roll Call:

		<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Ms. Marilyn Wittstock	President	yes		
Ms. Felicia Westbrook-Hilton	Vice-President	yes		
Ms. Melina Chynoweth	Secretary	yes		
Ms. Denise Flinders-Victory	Treasurer	yes		
Ms. Francette Pate-O'Hara	Trustee			yes

MOTION CARRIES

4/0 Unanimous Vote

IV. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS (if applicable)

Ms. Mikelle Hillewaere

No guests in attendance

V. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED (if applicable)

Ms. Mikelle Hillewaere

No correspondence received

VI. ADMINISTRATION UPDATES

President Marilyn Wittstock
and Ms. Mikelle Hillewaere

OLD BUSINESS:

Robotics Team Update- The Robotics team placed 20th out of 47 competing teams at the 2nd meet. Lowes is now a sponsor of the team and they have donated a special cart for use by the robotics team.

NEW BUSINESS:

Fire Inspection- After our first inspection in over 6 years, the school has corrected all minor violations including but not limited to receiving all new LED exit signs and upcoming installation of the Knox Box.

Upcoming school events- The school's talent show is scheduled for 05/22/26 from 9:30am-11am and is hosted by the student committee. Prom will take place after the talent show (beginning at 11:00 am) and lunch will be served. The completion ceremony is scheduled for 06/12/26. Arrival time is set for 9:30am with the ceremony beginning promptly at 10:00 am. We have 12 students completing this year. The End of the Year banquet will be at 6pm on 06/17/26 at Fern Hill with raffle baskets available.

Robotics Team Future- Will be run by the students and parents will handle fundraising and events.

VII. FINANCIALS

Treasurer Flinders-Victory

The Board reviewed the financial report for the month of March 2026. **Motion** made by **Treasurer Denise Flinders-Victory** supported by **Treasurer Melina Chynoweth** to approve the finances for March 2026. All in favor. Unanimous 4/0

Roll Call:

		<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Ms. Marilyn Wittstock	President	yes		
Ms. Felicia Westbrook-Hilton	Vice-President	yes		
Ms. Melina Chynoweth	Secretary	yes		
Ms. Denise Flinders-Victory	Treasurer	yes		
Ms. Francette Pate-O'Hara	Trustee			yes

MOTION CARRIES

4/0 Unanimous Vote

VIII. BOARD PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

**CMU Authorizer and
President Marilyn Wittstock**

Marilyn presented her prepared elevator speech. A brief discussion of the key points to focus on along with the core message, specialties, value proposition, and call to action and how they can vary based on the audience were discussed. Melina also suggested board members having QR codes that could be shared with others and provide them with access to more detailed information about the school.

IX. MACOMB ACADEMY BOARD COMMITTEES

Robotics meet went well and the team did great. Parent Network Night was discussed and it was noted that the goal is to include more families in the future. Mention was also made about how integration of game nights was very well received by attending families.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

All

N/A

XI. CMU COMMENTARY

CMU Authorizer

New board member meeting scheduled for 04/30/26 in Bingham Farms and again on 05/08/26 in Troy at the Rusty Bucket

Annual Conference registration is open. The conference is scheduled for 08/19/26 at Huntington Place with attendance of 700+ expected. The reception for this event will be held on 08/18/26 at the Cambridge in Detroit.

XII. BOARD COMMENTARY

President Marilyn Wittstock

Denise discussed wanting to write a letter on behalf of the Robotics team to one of the competitor teams (Utica Community Schools) for how they supported Macomb Academy's team during their recent meet.

Updated schedule of Board meetings for the 2026/2027 school year was created. New dates for board meetings will be: July 16, August 20, September 17, October 15, November 19, December 17, January 21, February 18, March 18, April 15, May 20, and June 17.

Motion made by President Marilyn Wittstock supported by Vice-President Felicia Westbrook-Hilton, to move 2026/2027 board meetings to the third Thursday of each month.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

President Marilyn

Wittstock

Motion made by President Marilyn Wittstock supported by Vice-President Felicia Westbrook-Hilton, to adjourn the board meeting at 6:01p.m. All in favor. Unanimous 4/0

Roll Call:

Ms. Marilyn Wittstock	President
Ms. Felicia Westbrook-Hilton	Vice-President
Ms. Melina Chynoweth	Secretary
Ms. Denise Flinders-Victory	Treasurer
Ms. Francette Pate-O'Hara	Trustee

Ayes
yes
yes
yes
yes

Nays

Absent

yes

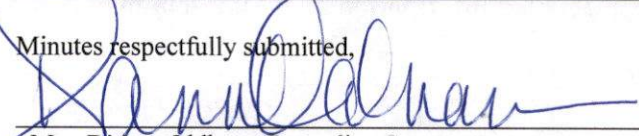
MOTION CARRIES

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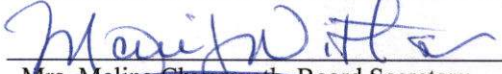
MINUTES CERTIFICATION

Minutes respectfully submitted,


Mrs. D'Ann Oldham, Recording Secretary

04/13/26
Date

Approved by the Macomb Academy Board of Directors


Mrs. Melina Chynoweth, Board Secretary

5/19/26
Date

MARILYN WITTSTOCK - PRESIDENT