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BOARD MEETING
MACOMB ACADEMY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Date: March 16, 2023
Time: 4:30 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 4:43 P.M.

President Comer-Scarsella

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Comer-Scarsella

ROLL CALL BY:

President Comer-Scarsella

Roll Call:

| | | <u>Ayes</u> | <u>Nays</u> | <u>Absent</u> |
|---------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| Ms. Traci Comer-Scarsella | President | yes | | |
| Ms. Marilyn Wittstock | Vice-President | yes | | |
| Ms. Melina Chynoweth | Secretary | yes | | |
| Mr. Michael Cadrette | Treasurer | yes | | |

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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|---------------------------|----------------|
| Ms. Traci Comer-Scarsella | President |
| Ms. Marilyn Wittstock | Vice-President |
| Mr. Michael Cadrette | Treasurer |
| Ms. Melina Chynoweth | Secretary |

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Mrs. Mikelle Hillewaere, Supervisor

GUESTS PRESENT: Doug Coates, MEA paraprofessional union representative.
Maria Gapinski, friend of challenger baseball family.
Norma Joshua, parent of former Macomb Academy student.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Comer-Scarsella

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from January's meeting. **Motion** made by **President Comer-Scarsella**, supported by **Vice President Wittstock**, to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting held January 30, 2022. All in favor. Unanimous 4/0

Roll Call:

| | | <u>Ayes</u> | <u>Nays</u> | <u>Absent</u> |
|---------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| Ms. Traci Comer-Scarsella | President | yes | | |
| Ms. Marilyn Wittstock | Vice-President | yes | | |
| Ms. Melina Chynoweth | Secretary | yes | | |
| Mr. Michael Cadrette | Treasurer | yes | | |

MOTION CARRIES 4/0 Unanimous Vote

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Comer-Scarsella

Motion made by **President Comer-Scarsella**, supported by **Vice President Wittstock**, to approve the December meeting agenda. All in favor. Unanimous 4/0

Roll Call:

| | | <u>Ayes</u> | <u>Nays</u> | <u>Absent</u> |
|---------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
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| Ms. Marilyn Wittstock | Vice-President | yes | | |
| Ms. Melina Chynoweth | Secretary | yes | | |
| Mr. Michael Cadrette | Treasurer | yes | | |

MOTION CARRIES

4/0 Unanimous Vote

IV. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS (if applicable)

President Comer-Scarsella

Maria Gapinski, friend of a challenger baseball family who wanted to observe the board meeting and tour the school.

Norma Joshua, parent of a former Macomb Academy student. Last came to the school in the 1990's and wanted to see changes made since.

Doug Coates, representative for paraprofessionals union at Macomb Academy.

V. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED (if applicable)

Secretary Carlton

Knights Of Columbus, Council 774 sent a letter containing a \$884.60 donation to the academy.

VI. ADMINISTRATION UPDATES

President Comer-Scarsella

OLD BUSINESS:

A Spirit Week was held the week of February 6th. Students enjoyed the chance to dress up in a variety of different themes with Wednesday February 8th being a fun day with a circus theme.

Spring Count Day was on February 8th. The school's count was certified shortly thereafter with 71 students enrolled full-time.

The Parent Networking Night held on March 9th was a massive success. Over 60 people were in attendance. Disability Network talked with parents while staff members watched a movie with the students and younger guests.

NEW BUSINESS:

Several substitute paraprofessionals have been hired to help fill some vacant positions. So far, 3 new staff members have been hired for part-time positions.

A member of Knights of Columbus visited the school to present a donation being made. With him was a completed student who was excited to see his former school and reconnect with students he knew while attending Macomb Academy.

Open enrollment will be posted in the Macomb Daily the week of March 24th.

VII. FINANCIALS

Treasurer Cadrette

The Board reviewed the financial report for the month of February 2023, beginning with the overview, followed by the itemized details. The wages of the new staff members are reflected on this month's instructional expenses. Motion made by President Comer-Scarsella, supported by Treasurer Cadrette, to approve the finances for February 2023.

All in favor. Unanimous 4/0

Roll Call:

| | | <u>Ayes</u> | <u>Nays</u> | <u>Absent</u> |
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MOTION CARRIES

4/0 Unanimous Vote

VIII. BOARD PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

President Comer-Scarsella

The board members discussed a potential date for a special meeting that needed to be rescheduled. This meeting was agreed upon by all members to be held on April 13th at 6:00PM at Macomb Academy.

IX. BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMITTEES

All

N/A

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

All

Ms. Norma Joshua discussed her history with Macomb Academy. Her daughter was enrolled in 1992, and she wanted to see the advances the school has made in that time.

Ms. Maria Gapinski thought that her connections with local businesses as well as her crafting abilities could be helpful to the school, and offered to help by donating crafting materials for the MAC Enterprise job training site.

Ms. Mikelle Hillewaere informed those present that an online apparel store would be opening for Macomb Academy starting the week of March 20th. She also stated that there are multiple tours for potential new students scheduled, with several students interested in starting in the 2023-2024 school year.

XI. CMU COMMENTARY

Ed Roth

Mr. Ed Roth used this time to discuss a CMU conference to be held in August, with more information to come. He also took this time to discuss the previous conference, as well as the video that was created by the students last year for said conference.

XIII. BOARD COMMENTARY

President Comer-Scarsella

President Comer-Scarsella used this time to talk about several recreation programs taking place this summer at Metro Beach.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

President Comer-Scarsella

Motion made by President Comer-Scarsella supported by Treasurer Cadrette, to adjourn the board meeting at 5:20 p.m. All in favor. Unanimous 4/0

Roll Call:

| | | <u>Ayes</u> | <u>Nays</u> | <u>Absent</u> |
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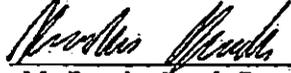
MOTION CARRIES

4/0 Unanimous Vote

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MINUTES CERTIFICATION

Minutes respectfully submitted,

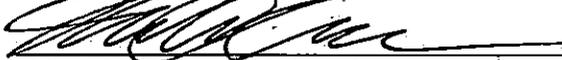


Mr. Brandon Busch, Recording Secretary

03/20/23

Date

Approved by the Macomb Academy Board of Directors



Mrs. Melina Chynoweth, Board Secretary

4/20/23

Date