

**Macomb Academy
39092 Garfield
Clinton Township, MI 48038**

Telephone: (586) 228-2201

Facsimile: (586) 228-2210

Email Address: macombacademy@macombacademy.net

BOARD MEETING

MACOMB ACADEMY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Date: September 24th, 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 5:11 P.M.

President Marilyn Wittstock

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Marilyn Wittstock

ROLL CALL BY:

Secretary Melina Chynoweth

Roll Call:

Ayes

Nays

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

MOTION CARRIES

4/0 Unanimous Vote

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Ms. Mikelle Hillewaere, Supervisor

GUESTS PRESENT: NONE

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Marilyn Wittstock

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from the August 2026 meeting. **Motion** made by **President Wittstock** supported by **Vice-President Westbrook-Hilton** to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting held on August 20th, 2026. All in favor. Unanimous 4/0

Roll Call:

Ayes

Nays

Absent

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

MOTION CARRIES

4/0 Unanimous Vote

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Marilyn Wittstock

The Board reviewed the agenda for the August meeting. **Motion** made by **President Wittstock** supported by **Treasurer Flinders-Victory**, to approve the September 24th, 2026, 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		
Vacancy	Trustee			

MOTION CARRIES

4/0 Unanimous Vote

IV. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS (if applicable)

Ms. Mikelle Hillewaere

N/A

V. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED (if applicable)

Ms. Mikelle Hillewaere

No correspondence received

VI. ADMINISTRATION UPDATES

**President Marilyn Wittstock
and Ms. Mikelle Hillewaere**

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Updated Student Count- current stands at 86 students.
- B. Staff Updates- all changes have been made and things are going okay.

NEW BUSINESS:

**President Marilyn Wittstock
and Ms. Mikelle Hillewaere**

- A. New Sign- President Wittstock shared mock-ups of proposed sign ideas with rough cost estimates. Fundraising could cover costs entirely.
- B. The Robotics team will be participating in only in-house events this year to lower costs; events will still involve spectators and encourage creativity.
- C. Fundraising ideas were discussed; possibilities brought up were a sponsored painted rock garden, euchre tournament, poinsettia sales, and more.
- D. C.B.I.- Ms. Hillewaere informed the Board of how successful the C.B.I. trips have been thus far into the school year. The focus has been thrift stores and will shift to restaurants, with more areas to be explored in months to come.
- E. Vans- The school is working to get a new van, as one of the vans has been dealing with various mechanical issues.
- F. Some furnace issues have been repaired, and all furnaces will continue to be monitored for potential updates needed.

VII. FINANCIALS

Treasurer Flinders-Victory

The Board reviewed the financial report for the month of August 2026. **Motion** made by **Treasurer Flinders-Victory** supported by **President Wittstock** to approve the finances for August 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		
Vacancy	Trustee			

MOTION CARRIES

4/0 Unanimous Vote

VIII. BOARD PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

**CMU Authorizer and
President Marilyn Wittstock**

N/A

IX. MACOMB ACADEMY BOARD COMMITTEES

- A. Parent Networking Committee- The first event of the school is this evening with 26 RSVPs.
- B. Governance Committee- Ms. Hillewaere is working on job descriptions and overview of what goes on in building and everything will be ready for the next meeting.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

All

N/A

XI. CMU COMMENTARY

CMU Authorizer

Mr. Trout mentioned the board vacancy and Ms. Hillewaere and the board members noted that there are several parents that may be viable candidates. Mr. Trout also asked if Macomb Academy was up to date with water testing. Ms. Hillewaere confirmed the water has been tested per state regulations and filters are changed in accordance with the new laws that were recently passed. Of note- the President round-table event in Livonia was booked, so President Wittstock cannot attend this year.

XII. BOARD COMMENTARY

President Marilyn Wittstock

President Wittstock reminded everyone of the MISD event this Saturday, September 26th. Also mentioned was the Halloween event that will be coming up and that it would be great to see some Macomb Academy participation.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

President Marilyn Wittstock

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

Roll Call:

Ayes

Nays

Absent

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

MOTION CARRIES

4/0 Unanimous Vote

Minutes are available at Macomb Academy, 39092 Garfield, Clinton Township, Mi. 48038, (586) 228-2201, in the administration office. Please contact the Business Office if you would like a copy of the minutes. Any person with disabilities who needs special provisions to attend a scheduled meeting should contact me five days prior to the meeting.

MINUTES CERTIFICATION

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Amanda Myers
Mrs. Amanda Myers, Recording Secretary

10/15/2026
Date

Approved by the Macomb Academy Board of Directors

Marilyn Wittstock
Ms. Marilyn Wittstock, Board President

10/15/2026
Date