

Minutes
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Montrose Community Schools
September 25, 2023
KHMS Media Center

Members Present: Chuck Wright, Ron Loafman, Mary Kreider, Barry Gross, Chris Zolinski, Vicki VanCura

Members Absent: Dan Hill arrived 6:34

Other Participants: Dr. Linden Moore, Cassandra Jackson, Angie Florian, Casey Schaub, Shayne Mishler, Shawna Birchmeier, Shaun Brewer

Guests: 5

Call to Order	Chuck Wright called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
First Call for Citizen Comment	Mark Richards, Sada Burch
Presentation	Spotlight on Achievement – Cassandra Jackson
BOARD MEMBERS ARE REMINDED TO CONSIDER AND DECLARE POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ISSUES WITH ANY ACTION ITEM	
Recommended Actions	A motion was made Chuck Wright to approve the: • Approval of the August 14, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Minutes • Approval of Financial/Secretary Report and Bills as Presented • Approval of Proposed Agenda Support: Chris Zolinski <i>The motion carried with all members' present voting yes.</i>
Consider Approval of Parent Representative for GISD PAC	The GISD Parent Advisory Committee consist of one parent from each public school system in Genesee County. Members attend monthly meetings, receive information regarding relevant special education issues, and represent the interest of children with special needs and their families in local school districts. PAC members can assist with public awareness activities, maintain communication between PAC and the local special education administrator, and assist parents in program visitations and securing appropriate information regarding special education for their child. Montrose has an open seat for this committee. Mrs. Vicki Van Cura has experience as our PAC representative, volunteering in all of our buildings, and is familiar with many support programs the district offers. She participates in many capacities across our district, and has voluntarily taken on this role in our district for the past 4 years. RECOMMENDATION: The Montrose Schools Board of Education approves designation of Mrs. Vicki VanCura as the GISD Parent Advisory Committee representative for the Montrose Community Schools for the 2025-2028 term. Motion: Dan Hill Support: Mary Kreider

	<i>The motion carried with all members' present voting yes.</i>
Consider Approval of Hire	Mrs. Shawna Birchmeier is pleased to recommend Mrs. Mandy Cooper for the Special Education Teacher at KHMS. She has a master's degree from Northeastern State University and 30 additional credits from Marygrove College. Mrs. Cooper has worked in education since 2009. She previously worked for Flushing Community Schools as a Special Education Teacher. We appreciate all the experience Mrs. Cooper will bring to the district. RECOMMENDATION: The Montrose Schools Board of Education approves the hire of Mrs. Mandy Cooper as the Special Education Teacher for KHMS. Motion: Mary Kreider Support: Ron Loafman <i>The motion carried with all members present voting yes.</i>
Consider Approval of Out of State Field Trip	Mrs. Tracey Whittey (7th grade teacher at KHMS) has requested permission to take 100 students (along with 4 chaperones) to Cedar Point in Sandusky, Ohio on Tuesday, May 30, 2024. Students and parents have conducted numerous fundraiser activities throughout the year to defray the cost of this trip with students responsible to pay any expenses beyond the funds already earned. Students will be traveling via school district via charter bussing and will leave the district at 7:00 a.m. with an anticipated return time of 11:00 p.m. the same day. RECOMMENDATION: The Montrose Schools Board of Education approves the out-of-state field trip to Cedar Point in Sandusky, Ohio on Tuesday, May 30, 2024 and reserves the right to cancel the trip in the event of severe weather or potentially dangerous world conditions. All staff, students, and parents involved in this trip are cautioned that the district will not assume any financial responsibility for funds lost due to the cancellation of this trip and may want to consider trip insurance to guard against such a possibility. Motion: Dan Hill Support: Ron Loafman <i>The motion carried with all members voting yes.</i>
Consider Approval of Out of State Filed Trip	The High School Social Studies Department would like to ask permission for an overnight trip to Washington D.C. March 7-10, 2024. This three-day trip would cost around \$744 and is open to students in grades 8/9 who meet the trip requirements. Requirements would include such factors as attendance and behavior histories. The cost includes transportation, lodging, entry fees, and breakfast, lunch, and dinner each day. Students will be exposed to many great sites and documents dealing with our nation's history. We have attached a copy of our itinerary if you are interested. School administration will ensure that District policies regarding field trips will be followed and the required forms for travel are completed.

	RECOMMENDATION: The Montrose Schools Board of Education approves the out-of-state field trip to Washington, D.C. March 7-10, 2024 and reserves the right to cancel the trip in the event of severe weather or potentially dangerous world conditions. All staff, students, and parents involved in this trip are cautioned that the district will not assume any financial responsibility for funds lost due to the cancellation of this trip may want to pursue trip insurance to guard against such a possibility. Motion: Vicki VanCura Support: Ron Loafman <i>The motion carried with all members present voting yes.</i>
Consider Approval of Adding HVAC Project to Carter Elementary	The scope listed in the contract mentioned “replacement of the cafeteria rooftop unit and include cooling,” and we are replacing the rooftop serving the kitchen. Originally there was no indoor air handler in the mezzanine. To have this area added is something outside of the bid. Now is the best time to have this done given the project is currently getting worked on. RECOMMENDATION: The Montrose Schools Board of Education approves added work to be done on the Carter Elementary dining area for the cost of \$95,574.00 to be completed by William E. Walter. Motion: Mary Kreider Support: Chris Zolinski Roll Call: Chuck Wright, Chris Zolinski, Mary Kreider, Barry Gross, Ron Loafman, Dan Hill, Vicki VanCura <i>The motion carried with all members present voting yes.</i>
Consider Approval of a Lease Agreement for Parking Lot Usage	Carter Elementary Staff Members park at the Real Life Church parking lot on a daily bases on school days and weekends. The church also built the bridge that allows for staff and families to cross from their property to the school. The church recently had to redo their parking lot. The school district is going to pay to lease the spots they use over the next five years. RECOMMENDATION: The Montrose Schools Board of Education approves the lease agreement with the Real Life Church for the use of its parking lot. Motion: Vicki VanCura Support: Ron Loafman Roll Call: Vick VanCura, Dan Hill, Ron Loafman, Barry Gross, Mary Kreider, Chris Zolinski, Chuck Wright <i>The motion carried with 6 member’s present voting yes. Chris Zolinski - abstained</i>

Informational Items	Administrative Reports: Attached Superintendent Report: ○ Enrollment Update Board Calendar ○ October – Financial Audit Report School Board Requests for Information For the Good of the Order
Future Business	• October 11 - Early Release PLC • October 20 - End of First Marking Period • October 23 - Regular Meeting
Adjournment	Chair moved to adjourn the meeting @ 7:23 p.m. <i>The motion carried with all member's present voting yes.</i>

- Minutes recorded and prepared by Angie Florian, Transportation and Food Service Director
- Submitted by Ron Loafman, Board Secretary



FROM THE DESK OF MRS. JACKSON

*A lot has happened since we met last!
Check out the updates below!*



Summer In Review

- Our summer reading program (PreK-7) resulted in **OVER 3,000 books, 55,000 pages and 30,000 minutes** read!
- **Mr. Peel, Ms. Andres, Mrs. Folsom, Ms. Sargent, and Ms. Martinez** ran academic intervention programs for identified students 3 days a week for 6 weeks.
- A special thanks to **Mrs. Sly and Mrs. McMunigal** for selecting research based programming, planning, and training/supporting our K-7 summer school teachers.
- HMHS ran credit recovery courses in grades 8-12. 57 students enrolled in courses and **61 classes were completed!**
- **Mrs. Roberts** conducted an **elementary music professional development**, inviting music teachers from surrounding districts. Music teachers have limited opportunities for local, relevant trainings and networking groups. She recognized a need and the feedback was outstanding. A special thanks to Mrs. Roberts for the countless hours she invested preparing for this event.
- Several teachers participated in opportunities to come on site throughout the summer and work with their colleagues to plan for the upcoming school year. Many participated in curriculum planning, CPI/CPR training, vertical alignment meetings and more!



Curriculum reviews are underway!

We've assembled an elementary social studies and secondary mathematics review team. In the upcoming weeks we will be starting the process of reviewing curriculum materials, considering alignment to state standards, and selecting products to move forward into the next phase of the pilot process.



Principals are looking forward to presenting **STATE and LOCAL** assessment data at the **October Board Meeting** as well as plans to **"move the needle"** on student achievement during the school year.

Upcoming Data Days

October 2 & 3 – KHMS
October 9 & 10 – HMHS
October 13 & 16 - CARTER

November 3, 2023 - PD Fair

Planning is underway for our PD Fair scheduled for 11/3/23. At this time, we have 15 scheduled presenters. Faculty will have the opportunity to select sessions they desire to attend based on interest and need. Sessions will run throughout the day and each session will be 65 minutes in length. Stay tuned for more information! We are so excited for this individualized learning opportunity for staff.

News and Notes from the Montrose Alternative High School

Starting this Wednesday, Pastor Ryan Cragg will start his high school Thrive Program at 10:00 am. They will meet for an hour prior to lunch at 11:00am.

One adult student graduated, and will be getting their diploma this week. Thanks to Mrs. VanCura, Mr. Hill and Dr. Moore for signing the diploma today.

Montrose Alternative High School- At a Glance	Montrose Area	Out of District	Hill McCloy Transfers	IEPs
Total as of 9-25-23 (204)	58	146	20	28

Neighboring Districts	
Clio	12
Birch Run	10
Flushing	6
Mt Morris	6
Chesaning	2
St Charles	2
New Lothrop	1



Special thanks to Mickie Gifford and Randy Miller for the beautiful refresh on the Alternative Building: paint, landscaping and new signs.

Reinhardt, Kelly

From: Schaub, Casey
Sent: Monday, September 25, 2023 7:15 PM
To: Jeanne Marcello
Cc: Reinhardt, Kelly; Jackson, Cassandra; Sutton, Jennifer
Subject: Admin Reports - September 25, 2023

Jeanne,

Please let me know if you have any questions.

September 25, 2023 - Admin Reports

Carter Elementary

- Our after school academic support kicks off this week.
- Next week will be spirit week for our students culminating in our annual Run/Walk on Friday.
- Progress reports go home this Friday the 29th
- We won a \$1,000 grant from Meemic (nominated by a parent) for teacher appreciation which we put to use giving our staff lounge a makeover!
- Kudos to our families for navigating road construction, impacting our pick-up/drop-off routines and still keeping our students safe.

Kuehn- Haven Middle School

- After school Academic Support kicks off twice a week this week. We will have one room to support 4th and 5th graders and another room to support 6th and 7th graders.
- KHMS Homecoming Spirit Week is Oct 2nd-6th! Monday: Breakfast Club-PJ day, Tuesday: Minions/Despicable Me or any other favorite animated movie, Wednesday: Barbie and Ken, Thursday: Comedy Day, Friday: red and black day.
- Last week we had our first House Assembly. Students learned more about our "Houses" and played some games to earn points toward their house. We also recognized our students involved in fall sports or extracurricular activities.

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- Currently, we are sitting at 204 students, with a waiting list.

Hill-McCloy High School Admin Report

- Our chapter of the National Honor Society will be inducting their new members on Wednesday, September 27 at 7:00pm.
- The student council put on the Versiti blood drive on September 21, 2023. I would like to extend a thank you to Mrs. Moore and the student council for their events to plan and facilitate the blood drive.
- October is our college/career/military month at Hill-McCloy High School.
 - During the second week of October, we will be hosting college application day with seniors. Staff will wear college gear on this day as well.
 - On October 12th, we will have a college fair field trip to Mott for the first 50 seniors who sign up. If there is room, we will take juniors on this field trip as well.
 - During the third week of October, members of the Genesee Intermediate School District's Genesee Go team will come speak to the seniors. Also, the counseling team will launch scholarship information for seniors.
 - During the last week of October, the counseling team will help seniors access their FAFSA IDs to help them complete their FAFSA later in the fall.
- Homecoming information
 - The Homecoming theme for this year will be Hollywood movies.
 - On October 4, we will see the return of the annual Powder Puff game.
 - On Friday, October 6, we will hold a Pep Assembly during the day, there will then be the parade and football game that evening.
 - On Saturday, October 7, the homecoming dance will be from 7:30pm-10:30pm.

Special Education

- Our Special Olympics Mum Sale was a great success. On behalf of our athletes, we say thank you to Mrs. Moore and the Moore family for hosting the pop-up greenhouse in their yard this year, and the delivery and dispersal of several hundred mums. Thank you to all who supported this fundraiser.
- We have two teams of Special Olympic Unified Champions, one at our HS and one at our MS, that have started engaging in activities this year. Students are enjoying activities such as Corn Hole and Ping Pong, and generally socializing together.

Athletics

- The Military Appreciation game was held last Friday against Chesaning.
- In two weeks, Homecoming vs Mt Morris will be held.
- Montrose is hosting Volleyball Districts at the end of October/beginning of November.
- Playoff predictions and placement for Boys Soccer is next Sunday.

Casey Schaub
Principal

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