

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS 074
Minutes of MADEIRA BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting
Held November 20, 2023

The Regular meeting of the Madeira Board of Education was held on Monday, November 20, 2023 at 7pm respectively in accordance with written notices sent to each member. The meeting was called to order by President Richard Palmer.

Present: Paula Andruss, Steve Bernicke, David Eberly, Richard Palmer

Not Present: Ryan Lex

Also present at the meeting were Kenji Matsudo, Emily Hauser, Dave Bergan, Kathy LeFevre, Ann Ramos, Julie Leslie, Claudia Harrod, Kyan Barton, Krista Geiger, and Rachel Peters.

AGENDA (118-23) – Mrs. Andruss moved, seconded by Mr. Eberly that the Board approve the agenda with changes for the November 20, 2023 meeting of the Board of Education.

Vote: Mrs. Andruss, aye; Mr. Bernicke, aye; Mr. Eberly, aye; Mr. Palmer, aye.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Kathy LeFevre, 6101 Fulsher Lane – Mrs. LeFevre shared concerns about the world events of the Hamas / Israeli war and questioned why the Superintendent had not sent a message to families about this conflict similar to what he had done during the civil unrest around the George Floyd incident in the summer of 2020. She then went on to share a quote. She explained that college campuses are teaching CRT or cultural Marxism and that there are oppressors and the oppressed. She noted that groups of people are just as important as individuals.

Mrs. LeFevre then shared concerns with the board about the recent election. Mrs. LeFevre stated that two candidates were unfairly smeared because of their association with Moms for Liberty and a political party. She also stated that she was concerned with actions taken by residents and she is hopeful that this does not continue. Mr. Palmer thanked Mrs. LeFevre for sharing her concerns and told her the Superintendent would follow up with her.

REPORTS

A. Five Year Forecast - November 30, 2023 - Mrs. Hauser, Treasurer, provided a summary of the November Five Year Forecast including the revenue and expenses to the board. Madeira continues to be in a strong financial position through following sound financial guidelines and parameters. The Five Year Forecast and Notes are required to be filed twice each year with the Ohio Dept. of Education as approved by the local Board of Education. The detailed report is available on the district website.

CONSENT CALENDAR (119-23) – Mr. Eberly moved, seconded by Mrs. Andruss to approve the consent calendar.

A. Minutes

1. **October 16, 2023** (Exhibit-1)

B. Resignation – Classified

1. **Cindy Tinkham** – Educational Aide

C. Supplemental Contract for the 2023-2024 School Year unless otherwise specified.

Supplement contract finalization will be dependent upon person/s obtaining background checks and active Professional License or Educational Aide Permit issued by the State Board of Education per 3319.303, signing contract and personnel file paperwork completion.

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Funded with General Funds - Certified

Name	Assignment	Amount
Brittany King	MHS – Winter Guard Asst. Advisor	\$940.00
Rick Adams	MHS – Theatre Fall Play Audio and Video Director	\$500.00
Megan Lowe	MMS – Home Instruction	Up to 175 hours @ \$35/Hour
Clark Eads	MHS – Model UN Advisor	\$1,185.00
Chip Dobson	MHS – Swim Coach	\$4,160.00

Funded with General Funds – Classified/Support

Name	Assignment	Amount
Maria Flores	MHS – Winter Guard Advisor	\$4,110.00
Andrea Azzarita	MHS – Theatre Technical Director	\$500.00
Tieraney Flores	MHS – Theatre Fall Play Costume Designer	\$500.00

Funded with Non General Funds - Certified

Name	Assignment	Amount
Jeff Corn	OHSAA – Tournament Event Staff	Amounts determined based on position by OHSAA and approved by Athletic Director
Mike Grayson	OHSAA – Tournament Event Staff	Amounts determined based on position by OHSAA and approved by Athletic Director
Joe Kimling	OHSAA – Tournament Event Staff	Amounts determined based on position by OHSAA and approved by Athletic Director
Vince Rahnfeld	AP Test Coordinator	\$433.00
Jon Unger	MHS – Girls Soccer Training	\$400.00

Funded with Non General Funds – Classified/Support

Name	Assignment	Amount
Cyndi Underwood	OHSAA – Tournament Event Staff	Amounts determined based on position by OHSAA and approved by Athletic Director
Pam Brasey	OHSAA – Tournament Event Staff	Amounts determined based on position by OHSAA and approved by Athletic Director
Kelly Kimling	OHSAA – Tournament Event Staff	Amounts determined based on position by OHSAA and approved by Athletic Director
Sarah Wagner	Boys Soccer Team Yoga Instructor	\$683.00

D. Treasurers Report

- 1. General Fund Financial Report for October 2023** and warrant payments for all funds in the amount of \$869,766. (Exhibit-2)

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	Oct. 1- Oct. 31	FY24 FYTD	FY23 FYTD
Revenues	\$1,600,650	\$12,890,024	\$11,799,738
Expenditures	\$2,096,932	\$7,759,307	\$7,351,902
Ending Cash	\$19,883,325	\$19,883,325	\$19,540,324

2. Donations

Donor	Item/Recipient	Amount
The Leonhardt Family	MHS – Rake and Run	\$100.00
Madeira Athletic Boosters	MHS – Athletic Program	\$3,000.00
Madeira Athletic Boosters	MHS – Golf	\$1,500.00
Madeira Athletic Boosters	MHS – Soccer	\$250.00
Madeira Athletic Boosters	MHS – Tennis	\$110.00
Madeira Athletic Boosters	MHS Auxiliary Gym Floor Replacement	\$73,500.00
Madeira Athletic Boosters	MHS – Cross Country	\$850.00
The David J Joseph Company	MHS – Girls Golf	\$500.00
Madeira Athletic Boosters	Girls Soccer State Tournament	\$1,350.00
Madeira Athletic Boosters	Monthly Athletic Donation	\$6,000.00
Anonymous	MHS – Entrepreneurship	\$1,000.00

Vote: Mrs. Andruss, aye; Mr. Bernicke, aye; Mr. Eberly, aye; Mr. Palmer, aye.

LIMITED CONTRACTS FOR NON-TEACHING PUPIL ACTIVITY DUTIES (120-23) – Mrs. Andruss moved, seconded by Mr. Bernicke that the Board resolve that a vacancy exists in the positions listed below, that the position was offered to current district or out of district licensed employees and no such qualified person applied for or accepted the position. The following non-licensed person/s applied for and is qualified for the position. ***Coach employment and contract finalization will be dependent upon person/s obtaining background checks, completing OHSAA requirements, valid pupil activity program permit issued by the State Board of Education per 3319.303, signing contract and personnel file paperwork completion.***

Name	Assignment	Amount
Kris Kuykendall	MMS – Wrestling Coach	\$560.00
Caleb Lipsey	MMS – Wrestling Coach	\$1,000.00
Mason Elam	Winter Site Coordinator	\$500.00
Megan Feichtner	MHS – Swim Coach	\$2,080.00
Chet Dobson	MHS – Swim Coach	\$1,560.00
Mike Wallace	MMS – Football Coach	\$2,000.00

Vote: Mrs. Andruss, aye; Mr. Bernicke, aye; Mr. Eberly, aye; Mr. Palmer, aye.

FINANCE

A. Five Year Forecast and Notes for 11/30/2023 (121-23) – Mr. Bernicke moved, seconded by Mr. Eberly that the board approve the **Five Year Forecast and Notes** as reviewed and recommended for approval by the Finance Committee. (Exhibit-3)

Vote: Mrs. Andruss, aye; Mr. Bernicke, aye; Mr. Eberly, aye; Mr. Palmer, aye.

B. Amended Appropriation Resolution for fiscal year 2023-2024 (122-23) – Mr. Bernicke moved, seconded by Mr. Eberly that the Board amend the 2023-2024 appropriations. (Exhibit-4)

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001	General Fund	28,592,773.00
002	Bond Retirement	2,700,000.00
003	Permanent Improvement	3,770,343.60
004	Building	36,386.25
007	Special Trusts	500.00
009	Uniform Supply Fee's	135,000.00
012	Adult Education	220.00
014	Rotary Funds	100,000.00
018	Public School Support/Unrestricted	90,000.00
019	Other Local Grants/Restricted	45,000.00
020	Tuition Programs-Preschool/OKEP	870,000.00
022	OHSAA tournament fund	8,000.00
029	Education Foundation Fund	45,000.00
200	Student Activities	230,000.00
300	Athletic Activities	300,000.00
401	Auxiliary Services	318,255.51
451	School Net Connectivity	5,538.30
467	Student Wellness and Success Funds	0.00
499	School Psych Intern / Safety Grant	18,392.08
507	ESSER	80,490.49
510	Coronavirus Relief Fund	0.00
516	Special Education IDEA B	475,480.71
524	Career Education - Federal	0.00
551	Title III	4,184.14
572	Title 1	54,702.99
584	Title IVA Student Support/Acad.	10,027.80
587	Preschool Handicapped	4,832.29
590	Title IIA Improvement Services	23,678.33
599	School Safety Grant	280,603.74
		\$38,199,409.23

Vote: Mrs. Andruss, aye; Mr. Bernicke, aye; Mr. Eberly, aye; Mr. Palmer, aye.

GOVERNANCE

A. Modified Tax Budget (123-23) – Mrs. Andruss moved, seconded by Mr. Eberly to resolve approval to file a Modified Tax Budget for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. *Tax Budget will be submitted to the Finance Committee in December and be approved by the Board at the January 8, 2024 organizational meeting.* (Exhibit-5)

Vote: Mrs. Andruss, aye; Mr. Bernicke, aye; Mr. Eberly, aye; Mr. Palmer, aye.

B. Calendar - Calendar 2024-2025 (124-23) – Mr. Bernicke moved, seconded by Mrs. Andruss that the Board approve the school calendar for 2024-2025 school year. (Exhibit-6)

Vote: Mrs. Andruss, aye; Mr. Bernicke, aye; Mr. Eberly, aye; Mr. Palmer, aye.

C. Madeira Athletic Renovation Project Architect Agreement (125-23) – Mr. Bernicke moved, seconded by Mr. Eberly to approve a contract with MSA as the architect for the Madeira athletics renovation project. (Exhibit-7)

Vote: Mrs. Andruss, aye; Mr. Bernicke, aye; Mr. Eberly, aye; Mr. Palmer, aye.

D. Single Source Contract from Mobilcomm (126-23) – Mrs. Andruss moved, seconded by Mr. Eberly that the Board approve the resolution awarding a single source contract from Mobilcomm. (Exhibit-8)

Vote: Mrs. Andruss, aye; Mr. Bernicke, aye; Mr. Eberly, aye; Mr. Palmer, aye.

E. Contract with Forward Edge for Video Surveillance Improvements (127-23) – Mr. Bernicke moved, seconded by Mr. Eberly that the Board approve a contract with Forward Edge for video surveillance improvements. (Exhibit-9)

Vote: Mrs. Andruss, aye; Mr. Bernicke, aye; Mr. Eberly, aye; Mr. Palmer, aye.

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- F. Resolution of Urgent Necessity (128-23)** – Mrs. Andruss moved, seconded by Mr. Bernicke that the Board resolve to dispense with statutory bidding procedures in compliance with 3313.46 for piping repairs at the athletic field and track at Madeira High School to prevent further erosion and complete the repairs prior to the athletic season. (Exhibit-10)

Vote: Mrs. Andruss, aye; Mr. Bernicke, aye; Mr. Eberly, aye; Mr. Palmer, aye.

PLANNING COMMISSION

- A. Resignation (129-23)** – Mr. Bernicke moved, seconded by Mrs. Andruss that the Board accept the resignation of the following person on the Planning Commission.

1. **Brad Cunningham**

Vote: Mrs. Andruss, aye; Mr. Bernicke, aye; Mr. Eberly, aye; Mr. Palmer, aye.

- B. Appointment (130-23)** – Mrs. Andruss moved, seconded by Mr. Eberly that the Board approve the appointment of the following person to the Planning Commission for the term indicated.

1. **Cara Dubai** - Term ending 7/31/26

Vote: Mrs. Andruss, aye; Mr. Bernicke, aye; Mr. Eberly, aye; Mr. Palmer, aye.

PERSONNEL

- A. Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement (131-23)** – Mr. Bernicke moved, seconded by Mr. Eberly that the Board to accept with great appreciation the resignation for the purpose of retirement of **Mr. Vince Rahnfeld** effective the end of the school year.

Vote: Mrs. Andruss, aye; Mr. Bernicke, aye; Mr. Eberly, aye; Mr. Palmer, aye.

SUPERINTENDENT COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Finance – Mrs. Hauser reported that the Finance Committee met on November 16th and reviewed the amended appropriations and five year forecast in detail. Additionally, the committee discussed the annual permanent improvement transfer of \$400K for the long-term permanent improvement plan. The goal of the Board is to transfer the amount approximately equal to one mill of taxation. The annual transfer is slightly below one mill and may be revisited again in the future. In addition to the routine permanent improvement transfer, the Board again reviewed the plan to transfer \$3M to begin phase II of the feasibility study. Both transfers will come to the Board at the December Board meeting. The finance committee also discussed staffing changes and the quote provided for necessary underground pipe repairs. Lastly, the committee reviewed the Student Wellness and Success funding plan. Student Wellness and Success funding is part of the State funding and is not new money but it is restricted to be spent on certain things. House Bill 33 requires that a plan be signed with two community partners. Madeira plans to utilize the funding for the High School Hope Squad program and the new Madeira Elementary School Counselor.
- Buildings and Grounds – Mr. Bergan provided a general timeline for the athletic renovation. He stated that in December the construction companies will be “short listed”, they will be interviewed and ranked and brought to the Board for approval. Additionally, the modular units that are behind MES will hopefully be pulled out over winter break. The modular units served their useful life to Madeira and helped us get through until the new addition was open. The staff and students had fun with the different space.
- Community Relations – Mr. Matsudo reported that the greeting card contest is underway. The winners will be invited to the Board meeting in December. The MHS theatre program is Christmas Carol High School and senior citizen day is December 6th.
- Policy – There was no formal report at this time.

BOARD COMMITTEE/LIASION REPORTS

- Planning Commission – Mr. Matsudo reported that the planning commission heard from Chandley Bacher and Sara Gehring this month. Chandley, Sara and the team have done in incredible job.

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- Great Oaks – Mr. Matsudo reported that Chief Ashbrock dropped off materials and commented on how impressed he is with the Great Oaks. Mr. Matsudo also shared that several Madeira students were highlighted this month as a part of their programs.
- Legislation – Mrs. Hauser reported that we are hearing that the Senate is shifting their focus from the originally introduced HB 187, providing a three-year “smoothing” of property value increases, to expanding the homestead exemption to all Senior Citizens in Ohio. Currently, the homestead exemption exempts the first \$25,000 in fair market value of a property owner’s home. The current homestead exemption eligibility is for homeowners who have an adjusted gross income of \$36,100 or less. As a district, Madeira has been in favor of the legislators expanding the homestead exemption. What is still yet to be seen is if the State will reimburse districts for the additional exemption as they do currently with Homestead. The joint committee members who have been assigned to the Property Tax Review and Reform were announced and our Senator, Senator Blessing, is on the committee so we will be sure to reach out to see if we can be of any assistance to him from a school district perspective. Governor Dewine announced the appointment of Steve Dackin as the Director of the Department of Education and Workforce.
- Student Achievement Liaison – Mr. Matsudo stated that MHS students are heading into crunch time with exam week coming soon.

DISCUSSION ITEMS –

- Mr. Matsudo explained that a couple years ago his father read in the paper that there were unclaimed funds for Mr. Homer Amos. Mr. Homer Amos left his estate in partial to Madeira City Schools which is the funding that began the Made in Madeira Scholarship. Mr. Matsudo was able to track the attorney down after many months of trying. Mrs. Hauser just received notice this week that Madeira will be receiving another \$28,000 towards the Made in Madeira scholarship fund. This funding will help to continue on the Made in Madeira Scholarship program where every graduating senior gets a scholarship.
- Mr. Palmer congratulated Ann Ramos and Brad Cunningham for winning the November Board election and thanked Anita Grolmes and Kim Heath for joining the race. He said he is thankful for those who want to serve our students on the School Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (132-23) – Mr. Bernicke moved, seconded by Mrs. Andruss that the Board adjourn to Executive Session to discuss employment of a public employee.

Vote: Mrs. Andruss, aye; Mr. Bernicke, aye; Mr. Eberly, aye; Mr. Palmer, aye.

ADJOURNMENT (133-23) – Mr. Eberly moved, seconded by Mrs. Andruss that the November 20, 2023 regular meeting of the Madeira Board of Education be adjourned.

Vote: Mrs. Andruss, aye; Mr. Bernicke, aye; Mr. Eberly, aye; Mr. Palmer, aye.

Board President

Treasurer