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Madeira School Board Recognizes District Achievements

The Madeira City School Board of Education held its annual organizational meeting on January 8, 2024. The meeting began with newly elected board members Brad Cunningham and Ann Ramos being sworn in by district Treasurer Emily Hauser. The board then recognized close to 175 student, staff, and coaches for their achievements.

National Merit Semifinalists Audrey Chalfie and Andrew Cissell; National Merit Commended Students Samuel Gaugh, Caroline Harrison, Nicholas Hyland, Andrew Sampson, Jeffrey Schwallie, Matthew Smith, Luke Spencer, and Lily Zoeckler; National Hispanic Recognition Award recipients Ava Henry, Anna Cornejo, Mariana Caceres, Eric Luther, Jon Miguel Lawrence, and Mateo Ramirez Laverde Guzman; and National African-American Scholars Maxwell James and Samuel McClain were recognized for their achievements.

Twenty-three Madeira High School (MHS) students were commended for their efforts to form non-profit "companies" and raise funds for important causes in Jennifer Jordan's MHS Entrepreneurship class. MHS Marching Band Director Ryan Ervin, staff, band, and color guard members were commended for qualifying for the state marching band competition.

MHS Varsity Golf and Varsity Cross Country coaches and members who competed in state tournaments were introduced, as well as MHS Football Coach Chris Stewart who was named ESPN NFL High School Coach of the Week. Also recognized were three Madeira coaches who were named CHL Coach of the Year: Catie Kauffman (Girls' Golf), Josh Dooley (Cross Country), and Dan Brady (Girls' Soccer)

The district showed their appreciation for Madeira's Athletic Trainer Glenna Knapp who has served the student-athletes at Madeira for 25 years. Outgoing board members Rich Palmer and Paula Andruss were also recognized and thanked for their dedication.

At the organizational meeting the school board also elected officers. Ryan Lex was elected President and Steve Bernicke was elected Vice-President. School board members are Brad Cunningham, David Eberly, and Ann Ramos. The Madeira City Schools Board of Education typically meets on the third Monday of each month at 7 pm in the Perin Learning Commons located at Madeira High School.



*Pictured: the newly elected Madeira City School Board
Row 1 (l to r: Brad Cunningham and Ann Ramos.
Row 2: Steve Bernicke, Ryan Lex, and David Eberly.*