

Minutes
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Montrose Community Schools
March 24, 2025 6:00 pm
KHMS Media Center

Members Present: Chuck Wright, Mary Kreider, Vicki Van Cura, Dan Hill, Trevor Jones, Barry Gross

Members Absent: Chris Zolinski

Other Participants: Dr. Linden Moore, Cassandra Jackson, Jennifer Sutton, Casey Schaub, Shaun Brewer, Shawna Birchmeier, Cassandra Wright

Guests: 40

Call to Order	Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Presentation	Student Recognition
First Call for Citizen Comment	
BOARD MEMBERS ARE REMINDED TO CONSIDER AND DECLARE POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ISSUES WITH ANY ACTION ITEM	
Recommended Actions	<p>A motion was made by Chair to approve the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of the February 24, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes • Approval of Financial/Secretary Report and Bills as Presented • With Special Recognition - Carter Elementary Donation • With Special Recognition – GECS Scholarship Donation • Approval of Proposed Agenda <p>Support: Dan Hill</p> <p><i>The motion carried with all members' present voting yes.</i></p>
Consider Section 105 Schools of Choice Resolution for First Semester for the 2025-2026 School Year	<p>Each school year, the district must pass a resolution to opt into Section 105 of the State School Aid Act in order to accept non-resident students who reside <u>within</u> the Genesee Intermediate School District.</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION:</p> <p>The Montrose Schools Board of Education, exercising the option permitted by Section 105 of the State School Aid Act of 1979 as amended by Public Act 62 of 2011, will, for the purposes of Section 105, accept applications of non-resident students from outside our district who reside within a constituent district within the Genesee Intermediate School District for enrollment in our district for the 2025-2026 school year and will operate a Schools of Choice Program in compliance with the statutory requirements of Section 105.</p> <p>Motion: Dan Hill Support: Mary Kreider</p> <p><i>The motion carried with all members present voting yes.</i></p>
Consider Section 105c Schools of Choice Resolution for	<p>Each School year, the district must pass a resolution to opt into Section 105c of the State School Aid Act in order to accept non-resident students who reside within districts <u>contiguous</u> to the Genesee Intermediate School District.</p>

<p>First Semester for the 2025-2026 School Year</p>	<p>RECOMMENDATION:</p> <p>The Montrose Schools Board of Education, exercising the option permitted by Section 105c of the State School Aid Act of 1979 as amended by Public Act 62 of 2011, will, for the purposes of Sections 105c, accept applications from students that are residents of intermediate school districts contiguous to the Genesee Intermediate School District, for enrollment in our district for the 2025-2026 school year and will operate a Schools of Choice Program in compliance with the statutory requirements of Section 105c.</p> <p>Motion: Barry Gross Support: Mary Kreider</p> <p><i>The motion carried with all members present voting yes.</i></p>
<p>Consider Appointing Delegate and Alternate for the GISD 2025-2026 Budget Hearing</p>	<p>As specified by the Michigan School Code, intermediate school districts must submit their general education budget to constituent districts prior to June 1st of each year. To that end, the Genesee Intermediate School District (GISD) has requested that each local School Board select one delegate and alternate to attend the budget meeting scheduled for April 30, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. that will be held at the Innovation Zone of the Genesee Career Institute.</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION:</p> <p>The Montrose Schools Board of Education approves the selection of Chuck Wright as the Montrose Community Schools Board of Education delegate to the GISD 2025-2026 Budget Meeting and Mary Kreider as the designated alternate.</p> <p>Motion: Vicki Van Cura Support: Trevor Jones</p> <p><i>The motion carried with all members present voting yes.</i></p>
<p>Consider Approval of the First Day of School for the 2025-2026 School Year</p>	<p>State law requires local and intermediate school districts to start their school calendar year after Labor Day (first Monday in September), as does Board policy. State law also authorizes local school boards to choose the starting day of their school calendar year, as the starting date is specifically excluded from contract negotiations. The GISD receives a waiver from MDE allowing for a pre-Labor Day start for students in Genesee County. Local school districts are encouraged to seek a common calendar with their ISD concerning Christmas break, Spring break, and teacher PD days.</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION:</p> <p>The Montrose Schools Board of Education designate Monday, August 25 as the first day of the 2025-2026 Montrose Schools calendar year.</p> <p>Motion: Dan Hill Support: Mary Kreider</p> <p><i>The motion carried with all members present voting yes.</i></p>
<p>Consider Approval of the School Calendar for the 2025-26 Year</p>	<p>The MEA Master Agreement does not contain a school calendar for the 2025-2026 school year. Leaders of the Montrose Education Association, Administration, and other calendar committee members have met a number of times and proposed three calendars (Drafts 1 – yellow, 2 – pink, and 3 – blue are attached). The MEA</p>

	<p>membership has not voted at this point, and Dr. Moore continues to work with them on finalizing a calendar.</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION: The Montrose Schools Board of Education approves Dr. Moore's authority to finalize the 2025-2026 school calendar utilizing either Draft 1 (yellow) or Draft 2 (pink).</p> <p>Motion: Dan Hill Support: Vicki Van Cura</p> <p><i>The motion carried with all members present voting yes.</i></p>
Information Items	<p>Administrative Reports: Attached Superintendent Reports Board Calendar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ April – State Testing ○ May – GISD Budget <p>School Board Requests for Information For the Good of the Order</p>
Future Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 28 – Early Release Day • March 31-April 4 – No School – Spring Break • April 16 – Early Release K-7 Parent/Teacher Conferences • April 17 – Early Release Parent/Teacher Conferences • April 18 – No School • April 23 – Early Release Day • April 28 – Regular Meeting
Consider Going into Closed Session for Contract Negotiations	<p>Dan Hill motioned to go into closed session at 6:50 pm Support: Vicki Van Cura</p> <p>Dan Hill motioned going into open session at 7:09 pm Support: Mary Kreider</p> <p><i>The motion carried with all members' present voting yes.</i></p>
Adjournment	<p>Chair moved to adjourn the meeting @ 7:09 pm</p> <p><i>The motion carried with all member's present voting yes.</i></p>

- Minutes recorded and prepared by Jennifer Sutton, Executive Secretary
- Submitted by Vicki Van Cura, Board Secretary