Date: Tuesday, September 16, 2025 @ 6:30 pm

Kind of Meeting: Regular Meeting

Place: ALES Cafeteria

Present: Karen Loucks, Dr. Diana Maguire, Dr. Mathanakaran, Maggie Nuss, Scott Simpson, Michele Spring, Crystal Wilczewski, Julia DeRose (Student Board Member), Madelyn Price-Costa (Student BOE Member)

Absent: Jeff Black, Matthew Kahm

Tony Giannicchi, Superintendent of Schools; Daniele Vecchio, Business Administrator; Kristin Colburn, District Clerk

Others Present: 1 visitor

1) Call to Order **Call to Order**

2) Pledge to Flag **Pledge**

3) Changes to Agenda-None

4) Public Comment- *The Public Comment section is a time set aside for the community to speak directly to the Board of Education. As per policy 1510, each speaker is given three minutes, with the total allotted time to last no more than 30 minutes. When called, please stand up and state your name and address. Please be respectful in your comments and do not divulge any personal or confidential information. Please demonstrate respect by speaking to the issues, sharing ideas and opinions, but not engaging in personal attacks. Board members, the superintendent and administrators will not answer specific questions or engage in dialogue. The information shared will be carefully considered and the appropriate person will contact you. Rest assured, we are listening carefully, and take seriously what you have to say. The Board appreciates your willingness to share your concerns/celebrations.*

5) Approve Agenda

Motion by Nuss Second by Spring **Motion-To Adopt BOE Agenda**
Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to adopt the agenda of the September 16, 2025, Board of Education Meeting.

7 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain Motion carried

6) Congrats/Celebrations- **Congrats/Celebrations**

a) Our entire 5th grade class enjoyed their overnight stay at Allegany State Park for the annual science camp trip. Students enjoyed classes on archery, geocaching, survival shelters and dissecting owl pellets. They also sat in on presentations from the Catt. Co Sherriff's Dept/State Troopers, played games and made tie dyed shirts! Special thanks to our high school camp counselors who did a fabulous job (Sienna Nagel, Ronin Haseley, Abigail Middaugh, Gian Parry, Cait Conroy, Aidan Coulter, Lyla Giardini, George Brairton, Zoey Bush, John Thomas, Samantha Vecchio and Michael Questa). A big shout out to our teachers and staff who spend the year prior to camp organizing and preparing programs/lessons/presenters and ensuring a successful trip for all....Tom Davis, Todd Miller, Scott Allen, Chris Austin, Steph Cottillion, Erik Jones, Cari Dombeck, Lexie Stover, Katie Kellogg, Suzie Zimbardi, Suzie Ciminesi, Jeff Ciminesi, Joy Wilber, and Michelle George.
b) Last week was our exploratory Enrichment periods when students travel the building and meet with teachers to talk about options to join clubs and enrichment opportunities. We had almost 200 students sign up for different options other than an academic extra help – which many students choose. Some of the highlights are Mr. Weseman's Lego building, Mrs. Rinamon's Upcycle Fashion design, Mr. Conroy's golf simulator sessions, Mr. Klice's Hunting and outdoors exploration, and Mrs. Acosta and Ms. Middaugh's embroidery escapades.
c) Our Great Gator Reward PBIS program is off to a successful start. Students are excited about the challenge of collecting tickets for prizes and teachers have been handing them out when they see students doing something good.
d) Students are excited about the construction of a mountain bike trail in the woods behind our school close to being a reality. After having purchased our fleet of mountain bikes two years ago, the mountain bike culture has taken off and students are excited about this new addition to be able to ride behind the school during PE classes and after school.
e) Freshman Welcome Day went off without a hitch! A BIG THANK YOU to all of the adults and students who helped to make this event such a success.
f) Gator Alum, Angelina Napolean, set to take the stage in the Tokyo World finals for the steeplechase and to show our support, we are throwing a watch party in our theatre. It's great when a school community comes to together to celebrate another Gator!

7) Consent Agenda:
Motion by Mathanakaran Second by Loucks **Motion-Approval of**
To approve the Consent Agenda. **Consent Agenda**

a) Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting on September 2, 2025.

b) Action Items – Personnel

**School Volunteers**

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| Jake Lippert-Football | Lindsay Simpson |
| Ashley Carrier | Nate Pleakis |
| Ashley Evans | Rosanne Capra |
| Beth Kausner | Skyler Pierce |
| Carissa Striano | Stephanie Karcher |
| Kali Silvis | Tiffany Hitchcock |
| Kimberly Farr | Lana Custard |

**Substitute Teachers**
Katie McKee
Molly Wolfgang

**Substitute Teacher Aide**
Katie McKee

**Substitute Lifeguard**
June Hilmey

**SBU Intern**
Diana Seipp (75 hours) with Jon Luce-Athletics

**Removal of Substitute**
Hannah Zink

c) Action Items – Business

To accept the Warrant Reports for August 2025:

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| General Fund | $ 899,431.35 |
| School Lunch Fund | $ 5,490.39 |
| Special Aid Fund | $ 28,610.55 |

To place on file, the Budget Report thru August 2025.
To accept the Treasurer's Reports and Extraclassroom Activities Reports for August 2025.

**Donation of Item**
Cricut Explore Air 2 die-cut machine donated to MHS Classroom (T. Dibble) from Gerri Lyter

**Disposal of Outdated/Broken Items**
246 The Music Connection Books (from 1995, multiple grade levels)
Miscellaneous technology equipment (see list)

d) CSE Minutes- September 5, 2025 (amended) and September 10, 2025 (amended)
7 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain Motion carried

8) Presentation-BWB Auditors **Presentation**

9) Superintendent's Report- **Superintendent's Report**
   a) Gearing up for big events-football games, Homecoming Dance, Family Fun Night

10) President's Report- **President's Report**
   a) Next Meeting is October 7-MHS Tour at 6:00 pm; Retreat on October 14 at 6:30 pm in the Bus Garage Bay area; donating a basket from the Board-Community Cause Football Game on September 26-to support childhood cancer; September 25 School Boards Dinner Meeting at Moonwinks

11) Student Board Member Report- **Student BOE Report**
   a) First 2 weeks have been going smoothly; increase in productivity since the enforcing of no cell phone, senior privileges are starting
   b) Freshman Welcome Day was a huge success; 5th Grade Camp-thank you to all of the counselors
   c) Girls Varsity Volleyball Team is currently undefeated; clubs have begun; Under the Sea theme for Homecoming-activities being planned for that week are underway

12) Committee Reports-Budget-met tonight (9/16/25); Curriculum meeting on 10/7/25 **Committee Reports**

13) Correspondence-none

14) Action Item – Personnel

   a) Motion by Nuss Second by Spring **Motion-To Accept Resignation**
   Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the resignation of **Mike Conroy** from the position of Cafeteria Duty Monitor (MHS Lunch).
   7 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain Motion carried

   b) Motion by Wilczewski Second by Spring **Motion-Approval of Unpaid Leave**
   Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the unpaid personal leave of employee #1017, effective October 14, 2025 to October 16, 2025.
   7 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain Motion carried

15) New Business-None

16) Adjournment
Motion by Mathanakaran Second by Nuss
To adjourn at 6:59 p.m.

7 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Colburn-District Clerk
Date: 9/16/25