Minutes
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Montrose Community Schools
March 23, 2026 6:00 pm
KHMS Media Center

Members Present: Chuck Wright, Mary Kreider, Vicki VanCura, Dan Hill, Trevor Jones, Nina Priest, Barry Gross
Members Absent:
Other Participants: Dr. Linden Moore, Cassandra Jackson, Jennifer Sutton, Casey Schaub, Shaun Brewer, Shawna Birchmeier, Cassandra Wright, Angie Florian, Shayne Mishler
Guests: 61

Call to Order	Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Presentation	Student Recognition Superintendent Presentation
First Call for Citizen Comment	Mary Conrad – 11502 Wilson Rd Daryl Conrad – 3030 Gary Rd
BOARD MEMBERS ARE REMINDED TO CONSIDER AND DECLARE POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ISSUES WITH ANY ACTION ITEM	
Recommended Actions	A motion was made by Chair to approve the: • Approval of the February 23, 2026, Regular Board Meeting Minutes • Approval of Financial/Secretary Report and Bills as Presented • Approval of Proposed Agenda Support: Dan Hill Dan Hill made a motion to remove Student Discipline Case #2526-06 & #2526-07 from the agenda, as no action is taking place at this time. Support: Trevor Jones *The motion carried with all members' present voting yes.*
Consider Selection of Board Delegate and Alternate for the Genesee Intermediate School District 2026-2027 Budget Meeting	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 29, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. that will be held at the Innovation Zone of the Genesee Career Institute. **RECOMMENDATION:** The Montrose Schools Board of Education approves the selection of **Mary Kreider** as the Montrose Community Schools Board of Education delegate to the GISD 2026-2027 Budget Meeting and **Chuck Wright** as the designated alternate. Motion: Dan Hill Support: Barry Gross *The motion carried with all members present voting yes.*

Consider Section 105 Schools of Choice Resolution for the First Semester for the 2026-2027 School Year	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 ***within*** the Genesee Intermediate School District. **RECOMMENDATION:** 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 nonresident students from outside our district who reside within a constituent district within the Genesee Intermediate School District for enrollment in our district for the 2026-2027 school year and will operate a Schools of Choice Program in compliance with the statutory requirements of Section 105. Motion: Mary Kreider Support: Dan Hill *The motion carried with all members present voting yes.*
Consider Section 105c Schools of Choice Resolution for First Semester for the 2026-2027 School Year	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 ***contiguous*** to the Genesee Intermediate School District. **RECOMMENDATION:** 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 Section 105c, accept applications of from students that are residents of intermediate school districts contiguous to the Genesee Intermediate School District, for enrollment in our district for the 2026-2027 school year and will operate a Schools of Choice Program in compliance with the statutory requirements of Section 105c. Motion: Mary Kreider Support: Dan Hill *The motion carried with all members present voting yes.*
Consider Approval of the First Day of School for the 2026-2027 School Year	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. **RECOMMENDATION:** The Montrose Schools Board of Education designate Monday, August 24 as the first day of the 2026-2027 Montrose Schools calendar year. Motion: Trevor Jones Support: Vicki Van Cura

	The motion carried with all members present voting yes.
Consider Acceptance of Resignation – School Social Worker	Mrs. Leslie Sherry has informed Mrs. Wright of resigning from her School Social Worker position in the district. Mrs. Sherry has worked in the district for 6.5 months. (See attached letter) **RECOMMENDATION:** The Montrose Schools Board of Education accepts the resignation of Mrs. Sherry. We appreciate her 6.5 months of service and dedication to the district and wish her well. Motion: Mary Kreider Support: Nina Priest *The motion carried with all members present voting yes.*
Consider Approval of Hire for Special Education Social Worker	The posting for a Special Education Social Worker went out on January 29, 2026. Two people were interviewed for the position. Mrs. Cassandra Wright is pleased to recommend Ms. Jessica Szikszay for the position. Ms. Szikszay has a BA in psychology and a master's in social work. She has provided services as a school social worker in Birch Run Schools via the Saginaw ISD. **RECOMMENDATION:** The Montrose Schools Board of Education approves the hire of Ms. Jessica Szikszay for the position of Special Education Social Worker. Motion: Dan Hill Support: Barry Gross *The motion carried with all members present voting yes.*
Consider Approval of Hire for Middle School Girls Track Coach	Mr. Shayne Mishler is pleased to recommend Ms. Sarah Alguire to be the next Middle School Girls Track Coach. Ms. Alguire has coached in the past and as a Middle School staff member already knows the students she would be coaching. **RECOMMENDATION:** The Montrose Schools Board of Education approves the hire of Ms. Sarah Alguire as the Middle School Girls Track Coach. Motion: Barry Gorss Support: Mary Kreider *The motion carried with all members present voting yes.*
Consider Approval of the District Professional Development Advisory Committee	In accordance with Section 101(10) of the State School Aid Act, the District Professional Development Advisory Committee must include teachers representing a variety of grade levels and subject areas, non-teaching staff members, parents, and administrators, with the majority of members being teaching staff. The administration recommends utilizing the existing School Improvement Teams from each building to fulfill this role and ensure representation across the district. **RECOMMENDATION:**

	The Montrose Schools Board of Education move that the Board of Education appoint the School Improvement Teams from each district building to serve as the District Professional Development Advisory Committee in accordance with Section 101(10) of the State School Aid Act. Motion: Trevor Jones Support: Vicki Van Cura *The motion carried with all members present voting yes.*
Consider Student Discipline Case #2526-04 & #25-26-05	Student Discipline Hearing #2526-04 & #2526-05 **RECOMMENDATION:** I (Chair) move that, in the matter of student discipline Hearing #2526-04 & #2526-05, the students are assigned a 20-day suspension. Days already served as out-of-school suspension shall be applied toward this total. The students shall be required to participate in and successfully complete a state-recognized Drug Awareness Program. Upon completion of the suspension the student will be reassigned to the Montrose Alternative Education Program. Furthermore, should the students be found in violation of any policies related to illicit drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or cannabis in the future, the student will receive a 180-day suspension. Following that suspension, the student must petition the school for reinstatement. Support: Dan Hill **Roll Call:** Nina Priest, Trevor Jones, Barry Gross, Mary Kreider, Chuck Wright, Vicki Van Cura, Dan Hill *The motion carried with all members present voting yes.*
Information Items	**Administrative Reports: Attached** **Superintendent Reports** **Board Calendar** o April – State Testing **School Board Requests for Information** **For the Good of the Order**
Future Business	• April 16 – Early Release K-12/Parent/Teacher Conferences • April 17 – No School • April 27 – Regular Board Meeting
Adjournment	Chair moved to adjourn the meeting @ 7:15 pm *The motion carried with all member's present voting yes.*

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