

**MIO AUSABLE SCHOOLS' BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
July 11, 2022**

PRESENT: Hunter, Irelan, La Vigne, Long, Szymanski, Whaley
ABSENT: Holzwarth
ADMINISTRATION: Taylor, Ahearne
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Marsh
RECORDING SECRETARY: Belanger

President Irelan called the meeting to order at 6:25 p.m. in the auditorium.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Organizational Business issues are conducted annually at the July board meeting, with the remainder of the organizational meeting held in January of each year.

2022-2023-1

La Vigne / Szymanski

to approve consent agenda items:

- a) Minutes of regular meeting of June 13, 2022 with correction of final fund balance of \$751,866 not \$71,866 as originally stated in minutes.
- b) Monthly finance.
- c) **Depositories and Signatures** – The Mio AuSable Schools designates Fifth Third, Huntington, and the Michigan School District Liquid Asset Fund Plus as the official depositories for school monies. Said designation conveys approval of all necessary forms for transacting business with said depositories and authorizes the President, Treasurer, Superintendent and his designees to sign necessary forms, vouchers, checks, receipts, wire transfers, etc., related to the district's use of specified depositories. Food Service account depositories and signatures: Treasurer, Food Service Director, Superintendent and his designee.
- d) **Authorization for posting notices** – the Superintendent, or his designee, shall be designated as the person responsible for posting notices of all regular, rescheduled or special Board of Education meetings.

- e) **Appointment of Auditors** – the Board of Education shall retain the firm Weinlander Fitzhugh as the school district’s auditors for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.
- f) **Appointment of Legal Counsel/School Attorneys** – the Board of Education shall retain the firm of Thrun Law Firm, P.C. as the school district’s legal counsel and representative for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.
- g) **Meeting Dates** – the regular meeting of the Mio AuSable Schools Board of Education for 2022-2023 shall be held on the second Monday of each month, except for November which will be held on the first Monday. Regular board of education meetings will start at 6:00 p.m., not to exceed 9:00 p.m., to be held in the Mio AuSable School.

Accordingly, the meeting dates are as follows:

July 11, 2022	January 9, 2023
August 8, 2022	February 13, 2023
September 12, 2022	March 13, 2023
October 10, 2022	April 10, 2023
November 7, 2022	May 8, 2023
December 12, 2022	June 12, 2023

Additionally, the first regular board meeting of the 2022-2023 school year will be July 10, 2023.

NOTE: Any changes from the above dates or the announcement and dates of any special meeting(s) shall be posted in the lobby of the school.

- h) **Board Member Compensation** – the Board of Education establishes the following rates of compensation for all Officers and Trustees for the 2022-2023 fiscal year: \$30.00 per meeting attended; \$0 for absent members; \$10.00 per committee meeting attended, plus mileage at the prevailing rate; maximum compensation shall be for 52 meetings.

YES: 6
NO: 0
Motion approved.

Elementary Principals' Report – In the absence of Mrs. Shiffer, Superintendent, Mr. Taylor presented the elementary report. Summer school was a success thanks to Mrs. Downer working with incoming 5th graders and Mrs. Beek and Mrs. Welch working with incoming 3rd and 4th graders. Still looking for a special applicant to fill the K-12 art position. 4th grade opening posted, already receiving applicants. Sensory room in development. Kindergarten visits planned for the summer. Currently seeking applicants to fill one, possibly two para professional openings. Mrs. Shiffer is accepting donations for food backpack program through September. Hoping to raise \$2,400 in order to provide 24 food bags to go home with students each Friday during school year. Focusing on TBRI approach and relationship building to support students.

Athletic Director's Report – Mr. Marsh presented the athletic report. 50 students took advantage of May physicals held at the school with Kelsie Passmore from McLaren. Girls basketball team bonding camping trip took place in June. Girls and boys basketball summer leagues were held at the MAC. Officials appreciation dinner planned for July 21st, 6pm at Oscoda County Park. Athletic handbook for 2022-2023 school year is completed. Both gym floors have been resurfaced. Purler wrestling camp will be held at the school July 25-29. Fall sports practices begin August 8th. Looking for volunteers to help at home sporting events, if interested please contact Mr. Marsh.

Middle School / High School Principals' Report – Mr. Ahearne provided an update. Maintenance team working to strip and wax floors and deep clean school before students return. Library renovations almost complete and looking great. Mr. Ahearne, Mrs. Shiffer, and two para professionals attended TBRI training in hopes of fostering meaningful trust relationships between staff and students. Credit recovery held the last three weeks of June. Two special education teachers, one English teacher and one science teacher have been hired. Mr. Ahearn thanked Mrs. Wood for agreeing to assist the maintenance team with lawn care this summer.

Superintendents' Report – Mr. Taylor presented the report. Mr. Taylor is working to introduce himself and meet with staff. Interviews scheduled for July 14 to fill an elementary teacher position. Mr. Taylor thanked Mrs. Shiffer and Mr. Ahearne for screening candidates and scheduling interviews. Mrs. Holloway and Mr. Warren were also thanked for being available during their time off to help during the central office transition. The ninety-day plan summary report will be completed around December. Annual financial audit rescheduled for September 19-22.

Citizens' Comments – Mrs. Beek reported on the Mio Trip Club visiting Chicago. Fourteen high school students and seven adults went. Mrs. Beek commented on this amazing opportunity for students and thanked Mrs. McDonald and Mrs. Beltz for organizing the trip. The next trip planned is to Europe next year.

Action Items –

2022-2023-2

Whaley/Long

consider the resignation of Jeff Demory

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion approved

2022-2023-3

Hunter/Szymanski

consider the resignation of Amy Downer

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion approved

Board Members' Comments – Mrs. Ireland thanked the school for allowing her to borrow tables and chairs for a graduation party. Mrs. Ireland also commented on her preference to continue to receive physical board packets as opposed to electronic. Mrs. Szymanski commented on the importance of official appreciation and also noted such events are a great way for students to be involved. Mrs. Whaley inquired how she could help with food donations for the official appreciation dinner.

Correspondence - None

There was no other business.

2022-2023-4

La Vigne/Whaley

to adjourn at 6:53 p.m.

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah Belanger, Recording Secretary



Cheryl La Vigne, Board Secretary