BOARD OF EDUCATION

MOGADORE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES OF:

Regular Meeting held March 10, 2025

The Mogadore Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, March 10, 2025. President Michelle Yoho called the meeting to order at 5:03 P.M.

A moment of silence was held for Mrs. Angela Pruitt, Mrs. Stacey Childers, and Mrs. Nancy Roepke families for their loss.

Roll Call:
Mrs. Oliver, Present
Mr. Penrod, Present
Mr. Sansom, Absent
Mr. Williams, Present
Mrs. Yoho, Present

25-18 A motion was made by Mr. Penrod, seconded by Mr. Williams to approve the following recommendations and resolution:

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A. Recommendation to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2025, Regular Meeting.

B. Recommendation to approve the Financial Statements for February 2025.

C. Recommendation to approve the selection of NEOnet as the internet service provider for the school district, as was determined in the ISP Matrix. The period of the contract will be five (5) years beginning July 1, 2025. (Exhibit A)

D. Resolution to accept the rates and amounts to be derived for FY25/26 as certified by the Summit County Budget Commission and calculated by the Summit County Auditor – see attached Certification of Tax Levy. (Exhibit B)

E. Recommendation to approve the Jr./Sr. High School student fees for the 2025-2026 school year. (Exhibit C)

F. Recommendation to approve the College Credit Plus Memorandum of Understanding with Kent State University for the 2025-2026 academic year. (Exhibit D)

G. Recommendation to approve the College Credit Plus Memorandum of Understanding with The University of Akron for the 2025-2026 academic year. (Exhibit E)

H. Recommendation to approve the College Credit Plus Memorandum of Understanding with Stark State College for the 2025-2026 academic year. (Exhibit F)

I. Recommendation to approve the facilities use chart. (Exhibit G)

J. Recommendation to approved resolution "Authorizing the execution and delivery of a master electric energy sales agreement between the district and Power4Schools' endorsed electric supplier, ENGIE Resources LLC. (Exhibit U – Provided by Treasurer)

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Williams, Yes
Mrs. Yoho, Yes
Mrs. Oliver, Yes
Mr. Penrod, Yes Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report

1. Ohio Department of Education and Workforce Fiscal Caution Worksheet DRAFT. (Exhibit H – DRAFT)

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President/Board Report

1. O.H. Somers Awarded the Momentum Award
2. Wrestling: Senior Matthew Plum and Junior Dylan Benedum reached 100 career wins this year. Junior Kai Gaetgens is very close and should reach this milestone next season.
3. Thank you to Athletic Boosters and supporters for a successful Night at the Races and for continued support of the athletic program.
4. Thank you to The Athletic Boosters' baseball field turf project at Lions Park with the Village of Mogadore. ForeverLawn is a corporate sponsor.
5. O.H. Somers Literacy Night and conferences were successful. Thank you to those who participated.
6. ACT day also included Professional Development (topics included AI session at the high school and math curriculum and ELA at the elementary school.
7. Thank you to those who supported the Band Boosters Pancake Breakfast hosted by the Mogadore Methodist Church.
8. Congratulations to Varsity Girls' Basketball Final 4 Winners! This is the furthest the team has been in history.
9. After Prom fundraiser at Titos 03/11/2025.

25-19 A motion was made by Mrs. Oliver, seconded by Mr. Penrod to approve the following recommendations:

A. Recommendation to recognize the support staff employees who had perfect attendance during the 2024 calendar year. (Exhibit I)

B. Recommendation to non-renew the one-year supplemental contracts of teaching and non-teaching personnel at the end of the 2024-2025 school year and that the Treasurer be directed to notify each person of the Board's intent prior to April 30, 2025. (Exhibit J)
Corrections to the document as stated in the meeting: Cheerleading: Dawn Leymon–Assistant 6%; Julie Popio–Head Coach 10% Softball: Nathan Robinson and Colleen Caughlin are not volunteering. Boys Track: change James Woods to Michael Murphy–Assistant 7%

C. Recommendation to non-renew the 2024-2025 school year contracts of the tutors: Emily Eckart, Matt Bogner, and Jonas Lawrence

D. Recommendation to non-renew the 2024-2025 school year speech pathology contract for Deborah Nofziger-Miller.

E. Recommendation to approve Sarah Centa as a substitute in various support services roles. Approval is contingent upon proper completion of all forms, immunizations, etc., ability to obtain/present valid required certification, and satisfactory completion of BCI and FBI background checks.

F. Recommendation to approve unpaid leave for Dawn Leymon on April 24 and 25, 2025.

G. Recommendation to approve continued unpaid leave for Chauna Waterbury.

H. Recommendation to approve the classification change for Jon McAvinew from custodial to maintenance retroactive to October 21, 2024.

I. Recommendation to approve Laura Melert as a substitute bus driver. Approval is contingent upon proper completion of all forms, immunizations, etc., ability to obtain/present valid required certification, and satisfactory completion of BCI and FBI background checks.

J. Recommendation to hire Laura Melert as bus aide retractive to February 12, 2025. Salary as per MESA Negotiated agreement. Approval is contingent upon proper completion of all forms, immunizations, etc., ability to obtain/present valid required certification, and satisfactory completion of BCI and FBI background checks.

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K. Recommendation to employ Refugio Alba as custodian effective March 24, 2025. Salary as per MESA Negotiated Agreement. Approval is contingent upon proper completion of all forms, immunizations, etc., ability to obtain/present valid required certification, and satisfactory completion of BCI and FBI background checks.

Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Yoho, Yes
Mrs. Oliver, Yes
Mr. Penrod, Yes
Mr. Williams, Yes Motion Carried

25-20 A motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mrs. Oliver to approve the following recommendations:

A. Recommendation to approve the Jr./Sr. High School Program of Study for the 2025-2026 school year. (Exhibit K)

B. Recommendation to approve the Jr./Sr. High School Student Handbook for the 2025-2026 school year. (Exhibit L) Edit title page to correct Ms. to Mr. Joel Snider (Mr. Swartz indicated that this has been changed).

C. Recommendation to approve the Superintendent to enter into contract with KidsLink School, for the purpose of meeting the educational needs of a student and providing the necessary services of the Individual Educational Plans beginning March 3, 2025. (Exhibit M)

D. Recommendation to adopt Policy 7.35 – Released Time for Religious Instruction (Exhibit N) (Approved without *Optional Sections*)

E. Recommendation to adopt Policy 9.47 - Parents' Bill of Rights (Exhibit O)

F. Recommendation to approve the following revised policies (Exhibit P)

a. Policy 4.01 – Employment of Substitute Teaching Staff
b. Policy 6.06 – Enrollment of Resident and Nonresident, Homeless, and Foreign Exchange Students
c. Policy 6.26 – Dangerous Weapons in the Schools, Bomb Threats, and Violent Conduct
d. Policy 6.60 – Seizure Safety
e. Policy 7.17 – Extracurricular Activities
f. Policy 7.27 - College Credit Plus

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g. Policy 8.05 – Cash in School Buildings
h. Policy 8.10 - Uniform Federal Grant Guidance
i. Policy 8.13 – Procurement with Federal Grants and Funds
j. Policy 8.19 – Inventory and Disposition of Equipment Obtained with Federal Awards
k. Policy 9.15 – Food Sale Standards and Services

Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Oliver, Yes
Mr. Penrod, Yes
Mr. Williams, Yes
Mrs. Yoho, Yes Motion Carried

Superintendent's Report:

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1. Spring Play (Exhibit Q)
2. Alumni Spaghetti Dinner – Saturday, April 12, 2025
3. Arts & Community Fair – Saturday, April 26, 2025
4. Graduation, Thursday, May 22, 2025 at 7:00 P.M.; Maplewood Senior Awards May 28, 2025 7:00 PM KSU MAC
5. Purchase Service Overview Presentation
6. Fiscal Year Overview – No change in revenue (Exhibit S – Superintendent will provide) This item was not presented
7. Fiscal Year Overview – Increase in operating revenue (Exhibit T – Superintendent will provide) This item was not presented
8. Parent/staff funding survey feedback (Exhibit U– Superintendent will provide)
9. Survey Results

Public Participation

Donald Smith–"Comments from an old guy" Mr. Smith spoke about district information sharing and commented on the "Mogadore by the Numbers" page as information the public needs to receive.

Pastor Gordon Hayberg–"Comments of Encouragement" Pastor Hayberg spoke about the importance of community and encouragement. He ended with a call to prayer and offered the prayer for those in attendance.

Ashley Campbell–"Questions Re: #5" [Mogadore by the Numbers]. Mrs. Campbell wanted to better understand how removing specials classes at the elementary school would impact the day for the students. Mrs. Yoho explained that school could either start or end earlier. More follow up on this question will be discussed as planning for next school year is ongoing.

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25-21 A motion was made by Mr. Williams, at 6:34 P.M., seconded by Mr. Penrod, to adjourn to executive session for the purposes of:

A. The compensation of an employee.

C. Conferences with the board's attorney to discuss matters which are the subject of pending or imminent court action.

The March 10, 2025 regular meeting reconvened at 7:06 P.M.

25-22 A motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mrs. Oliver to approve settlement agreement with Brenda Pickering.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Penrod, Yes
Mr. Williams, Yes
Mr. Yoho, Yes
Mrs. Oliver, Yes Motion Carried

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25-23 A motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Penrod to adjourn the March 10, 2025 regular board meeting.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Williams, Yes
Mr. Yoho, Yes
Mrs. Oliver, Yes
Mr. Penrod, Yes Motion Carried

The March 10, 2025, regular board meeting was adjourned at 7:06 P.M.

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Michelle Yoho, President

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Joel Snider, Treasurer