



Board of Education

MEETING RECAP

March | 2024

CONSENT AGENDA

- Joe Veeneman was approved as a chaperone for the spirit busses trip to the boy's basketball game at the University of Dayton on March 6, 2024. Additionally, the following personnel actions were approved: Dennis Koenigsknecht (maintenance, re-hire); Julie Parker (TPE, retirement); Rachel Bystry (orchestra OMEA accompanist and Musical pianist, hours/days adjustment); and Jimmy Galloway (Musical trumpet, hours/days adjustment).
- Pre-approval requests and reimbursements for college credits were approved for Nick Leone (MHS, pre-approval for 9 credits and reimbursement); Laurel Robinson (ME, reimbursement); Maria Childs (ME, reimbursement).

ACTION AGENDA

- The Board approved a varsity girls lacrosse team trip to Columbus, Ohio, April 12-13, 2024.

FINANCIAL REPORT

- Treasurer/CFO Tom Golinar reviewed the financial report and investments for the month of February and announced that all district finances are on track per the forecast. He also reported that the district received investments from Star Ohio and Fifth Third.

REPORTS/INFORMATION/COMMUNICATION/DISCUSSION

- CFO/Treasurer Tom Golinar, along with Superintendent Estopp, presented a financial planning update for the future of Mariemont City Schools. At the request of the Board, they presented five options to discuss and consider for November 2024: (1) 5.50 mil levy; (2) 5.95 mil levy; (3) 6.50 mil levy; (4) 6.95 mil levy; (5) 7.95 mil levy. Each option presents different estimates for cost to property owners and length (before additional funding will be needed again). The BOE asked Mr. Golinar to estimate future needs of the district that should be considered in finalizing the millage amount. Mr. Golinar will present another update at the regular April Board of Education meeting.

REPORTS/INFORMATION/COMMUNICATION/DISCUSSION, continued.

- Director of Teaching and Learning, Shannon Kromer, presented the proposed courses of study for two new MHS courses, CP Geography and Honors Geography.
 - As reported to the Board in January, these adjustments to the MHS course catalog are a request from the MHS Social Studies department. They are asking to have all freshman students take a geography course and truncate the current two-year Modern World History course into a one-year course for sophomore students.
 - If accepted, the change will go into effect next school year. The school district will be asking for approval of the course of study for CP Geography and Honors Geography at the next Board of Education meeting.

RECOGNITIONS

- The Board of Education opened the meeting with several student recognitions.
 - Mr. Estep began the ceremony with a Superintendent's Showcase presentation to Jackson "Boom" Pillman, who put the district's "see something, say something" campaign into action and approached a trusted adult when he heard something that concerned him, helping to protect the safety of his classmates and school.
 - The MCSD Music department held its annual presentation to the Board, honoring students for auditioning into various local honors orchestras and for earning high marks at the solo and ensemble competitions.

